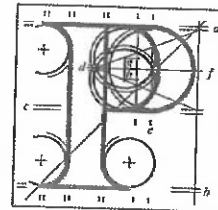


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Pleanála**

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**Date:** 21 November 2022

**Re:** BusConnects Ballymun/Finglas to City Centre Core Bus Corridor Scheme  
Ballymun/Finglas to Dublin City Centre

Dear Sir / Madam,

An Bord Pleanála has received your recent submission (including your fee of €50) in relation to the above-mentioned proposed road development and will take it into consideration in its determination of the matter.

Please note that the proposed road development shall not be carried out unless the Board has approved it or approved it with modifications.

If you have any queries in the mean time, please contact the undersigned. Please quote the above mentioned An Bord Pleanála reference number in any correspondence or telephone contact with the Board.

Yours faithfully,

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#### SUBMISSION FOR BUS CONNECTS - Ballymun Finglas Scheme

The Cremore Residents' Association represents households in the general Old Finglas Road/Cremore Villas area. We welcome the Bus Connect project and its objective of improving public transport in our area and the city generally.

However, the impact of the proposed changes on accessibility to the area represented by the Residents' Association ie Old Finglas Road, Cremore Park, Cremore Avenue, Cremore Road, Cremore Drive, Cremore Villas and Cremore Crescent must be seen in the context of the existing congestion at busy times and a number of recent/planned developments that will significantly increase the traffic in the area:

- a) Current significant expansion of the Bon Secours Hospital.
- b) The permission granted, 13 April 2021, for a residential development on Glasnevin Hill to Sanderly Holdings Limited (application reference SHD0030/20).
- c) The permission granted, 3 September 2020, for a residential development on Botanic Road to Glasnevin SVP Limited (application reference 4554/17).
- d) Any potential development on the recently vacated St Clare's site on Griffith Avenue Extension.

The proposed Bus Connect changes would further impact the accessibility, air quality and general amenity of the area:

We understand that the proposal is to stop northbound traffic on Mobhi Road at 4.00pm each day. This would re-route a huge amount of traffic from Mobhi Road to the Old Finglas Road, onto Cremore Villas and onto Griffith Avenue Extension at a time when traffic in the area is already congested. See photos attached.

1/ This will be exacerbated by the fact that the current filter of Old Ballymun Road will no longer be available due to proposed restrictions on that road. This would make more sense if it was one way going northwards from the Met office relieving the pressure on the Old Finglas Road and Cremore Villas. This junction is already having problems coping with the existing levels of Traffic.

2/ Ingress/egress to all of the above roads, which are mainly cul de sacs, will be significantly impeded.

The proposed changes will have a particular impact on the residents of Old Finglas Road and Cremore Villas as the re-routed traffic will actually pass their doors. There are already problems with access and entry to the roads represented by the CRA. residents due to illegal parking during the school start and finish times, We understand there is a separate submission being made by the residents of these roads and the Cremore Residents.

This additional traffic will pass a lot of schools at their busiest times:

- St Brigid's primary school
- St Mary's secondary school
- Glasnevin Educate Together primary school

St Michael's House.  
St Kevins College.  
St Kierans Special education school

Afternoon traffic associated with these schools currently causes serious delays and safety risks as it is.

3/ There will also be serious disruption to Glasnevin National School located in the heart of Glasnevin Village.

4/ The residents would also have concerns about the response times of emergency vehicles responding and being delayed to calls to their homes due to the increased volume of traffic. I am sure the Bon Secours Hospital and the Nursing Home located in the Holy Faith Convent Grounds would also have the same Concerns regarding emergency services response times.

5/ Increased carbon monoxide could be detrimental to the national resource which is the Botanic Gardens. Can we assume a formal assessment has been done on this? This Attraction brings in much needed Commercial activity to the local area. The diverted Traffic will have a negative effect on this National Treasure and the tourism it creates.

Thank you for giving this matter your attention.

Kieran Murray,  
Secretary,  
Cremore Residents' Association  
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See photos below taken at 4.00pm on Old Finglas Road at St Mary's and St Brigid's Schools

