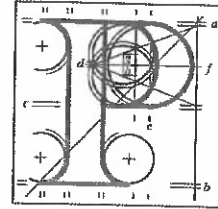


Our Case Number: ABP-314610-22

Planning Authority Reference Number:



**An
Bord
Pleanála**

Glasilawn Environmental Group
27 Glasilawn Road
Dublin 11

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,

Niamh Thornton
Executive Officer
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HA02 (Acknowledgement - No Receipt to Issue)

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Reference statutory planning application for the Ballymun / Finglas to City Centre core bus corridor scheme.

Submission on behalf of the Glasilawn Environmental Group.

To whom it may concern,
Glasilawn Environmental Group wish to make the following observations on the statutory planning listed above.. We as a group are in favour of better, more efficient public transport and cycling options but diverting all traffic into one single road (Cremore Villas) Ballygall Road that already services a number of schools in the area and already has major traffic problems is a non runner.

COMMUNICATION,

We understand that several meetings have taken place and some of the meetings were over zoom during covid, which didn't suit members of our community group, therefore our community does not feel there has been adequate engagement with us regarding this process.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT.

The environmental impact assessment does not adequately address the impact to Ballygall Road East or the side estates of Glasilawn Road and Avenue Glasmeen Glasnamana Tolka Estate and Griffith Road. Also more traffic will be forced along Old Finglas Road to take Tolka Estate Road turn. Due to the proposed closure of Ballymun Road Lower and Mobhi Road northbound all traffic will be diverted to the above areas, many of these are not in a position to take on heavy volumes of traffic. All residential areas, many which are already suffering due to narrow roadways with residents all ready under pressure to park or get access to their homes due to traffic problems. We would expect to see any assessment which has been carried out to see the impact from noise, environmental pollution

LOWER BALLYMUN ROAD CLOSURE MODIFIED VERSION OF A

The plan to close Ballymun Road to traffic is a complete disaster as it makes no sense to divert traffic away from shortest route possible to take traffic away from city suburbs ,the quickest way to bring traffic onward to the M50 . We understand this is a narrow road it would also lend itself better to one way system Northbound to create easier flow of traffic . The proposal of closing Ballymun Road lower will send more traffic along an already congested route on which there are various schools which already cause major traffic hold ups in the area.

RAT RUNS

We all know like water traffic finds its way when hold ups occur So when traffic backs up along Cremore Villas , Ballygall Road East Cars will cut through Glasilawn Road /Tolka Estate Fitzmaurice Road which are totally not suitable for heavy traffic'.

RESIDENTS OLD AND YOUNG

All areas affected by the closure of Mobhi and Ballymun Roads are residential areas were old and young will be affected as so many Doctors clinics, shops ,schools, nursing homes community centers in the area and added traffic will cause a danger to all concerned.

BALLYMUN CORE ROUTE DESINATION

Bus Termination at Arran Quay is an inconvenience to all bus users and still along walk to the city center and also in an area which is unsafe in evenings.

SUSAN LAMBERT /RITA CASHEN
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