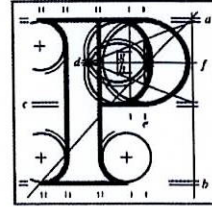


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Planning Authority Reference Number:



**An
Bord
Pleanála**

St. Mary's National School Board of Management
c/o Shane Caidgan
St. Mary's National School
Greenhills Road
Tallaght

Date: 14 July 2023

Re: Tallaght/Clondalkin to City Centre BusConnect Core Bus Corridor Scheme.
Tallaght/Clondalkin to Dublin City.

Dear Sir / Madam,

An Bord Pleanála has received your recent submission in relation to the above-mentioned proposed road development and will take it into consideration in its determination of the matter. Please accept this letter as a receipt for the fee of €50 that you have paid.

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

The Board has also received an application for confirmation of a compulsory purchase order which relates to this proposed road development. The Board has absolute discretion to hold an oral hearing in respect of any application before it, in accordance with section 218 of the Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended. Accordingly, the Board will inform you in due course on this matter. The Board shall also make a decision on both applications at the same time.

If you have any queries in relation to this matter please contact the undersigned officer of the Board.

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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An Bord Pleanála

SID Online Observation

Online Reference

SID-OBS-000929

Online Observation Details

Contact Name
Shane Cadigan

Lodgement Date
28/06/2023 10:04:30

Case Number / Description
NTA application for Compulsory Purchase Order of recreational green area at Bancroft Park, tallaght, Dublin 24

Payment Details

Payment Method
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Cardholder Name
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Payment Amount
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Fee Refund Requisition

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Reason for Refund

Documents Returned to Observer

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SEO (Finance)

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Chief Officer/Director of Corporate Affairs/SAO/Board Member

Date

Date

**FORMAL OBJECTION TO NATIONAL TRANSPORT AUTHORITY APPLICATION FOR FOR
TALLAGHT/CLONDALKIN TO CITY CENTRE CORE BUS CORRIDOR COMPULSORY PURCHASE ORDER
IN RESPECT OF RECREATIONAL GREEN AREA AT BANCROFT PARK TALLAGHT DUBLIN 24**

To whom it may concern,

We the Board of Management of St Mary's N.S Bancroft Avenue, Tallaght, Dublin 24, strongly object to the acquisition of the green area, currently zoned recreational amenity space, on Bancroft Park by the National Transport Association for the facilitation and creation of a construction compound to enable works associated with the Bus Connects corridor on several grounds.

We are writing to express our strong objection to the proposed compulsory purchase order of the green space located in close proximity to St Mary's N.S. This green space is not only a valuable resource for the study of flora and fauna but also plays a crucial role in ensuring the safety and well-being of our students. As a concerned members of the community, we urge you to reconsider this decision due to the following concerns:

1. **Pedestrian Access to the School:** The green space in question is situated adjacent to St Mary's N.S and serves as a vital area for safe pedestrian access to the school premises. The presence of a pedestrian crossing and a lollipop lady in close proximity to the green space ensures the safety of our children during their journey to and from school. The removal of this green space would significantly compromise the safety of students and their guardians, exposing them to increased risks from traffic and heavy machinery.
2. **Traffic Congestion:** The acquisition of the green space would likely lead to an increase in traffic congestion in the immediate vicinity of the school. This congestion would not only cause inconvenience but also pose potential hazards to the safety of children and pedestrians due to restricted visibility and manoeuvrability.
3. **Noise Pollution:** The disturbance caused by increased traffic, construction, and other associated activities would result in a significant increase in noise levels, which may negatively impact the students' ability to focus and concentrate during school hours. Has a noise risk assessment been carried out and what impact it will have on the school?
4. **Loss of Valuable Educational Resource:** The green space adjacent to St. Mary's N.S serves as an invaluable educational resource, providing students with a hands-on opportunity to study and appreciate flora and fauna. It offers a unique outdoor classroom experience, fostering an understanding of biodiversity, environmental conservation, and ecological balance. The removal of this green space would deprive the students of an essential learning environment and hinder their overall development.

Considering these concerns, I respectfully request that you reassess the compulsory purchase order of the green space near St Mary's N.S. I urge you to explore alternative options that prioritize the safety of our students, the well-being of the community, and the preservation of this valuable educational and recreational area.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. I trust that you will carefully consider the objections raised and take the necessary steps to ensure the best interests of our community, particularly the safety and education of our children.

Yours sincerely,

Shane Cadigan (On behalf of the St. Mary's N.S Board of Management)

Shane Cadigan

St. Mary's N.S

Greenhills Road,

Tallaght,

Dublin 24