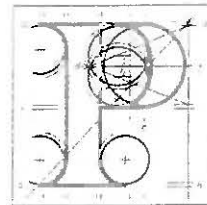


**Our Case Number:** ABP-317742-23



**An  
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Rayna Connery & Owen Tighe  
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**Date:** 24 July 2024

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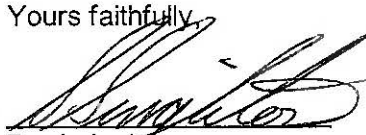
Dear Sir / Madam,

An Bord Pleanála has received your recent correspondence in relation to the above mentioned case. The Board will take into consideration the points made in your submission.

If you have any queries in relation to the matter please contact the undersigned officer of the Board at [laps@pleanala.ie](mailto:laps@pleanala.ie)

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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Wednesday July 10<sup>th</sup> 2024

**CASE REFERENCE: 317742 - OBJECTION**

Dear Sir or Madam,

We would like to raise a further objection to the proposed plans relating to the Bray/ Dublin city bus corridor scheme that will have a direct, negative impact on our estate Patrician Villas and Patrician Grove.

Why don't you consider widening the bus corridor on the other side of the road closer to the village and new library? EG on The Cornerstone site or the site opposite the Orchard? People living in apartments are less likely to have cars and rely on public transport more.

We are a one car family already and regularly use public transport to go into the city. We walk and cycle in the local community.

Our critical objections remain the same:

**Loss of Trees** – the proposal to remove 50% of the mature trees is very concerning from a sound barrier point of view. The trees clean the air, absorb dust and wind, muffle the sounds from the N11. The trees also protect the estate from a risk of flooding and shelter our community during storms - which according to the EPA Ireland will be affected by increasing storm intensity as a result of climate change. The trees are also a habitat and home for foxes, squirrels, birds etc. Nature watching brings many neighbours joy and reduces stress levels.

**Loss of Air Quality** – if the trees are removed, we will be more exposed to extra carbon emissions from the traffic. Being exposed to air pollution can increase lung conditions including asthma, bronchitis and

pneumonia. Higher exposure to air pollutants increases susceptibility to poor health and reduces quality and standard of living.

**Danger** – increased danger for children and pets in the estate with increased traffic volume and potential accidents. We are also concerned about anti-social behaviour – we are aware that a previous overpass was removed due to stone throwing issues for traffic below.

**Loss of sound barrier** – wall and trees are sound absorbers and removal of same will escalate noise pollution. Exposure to loud noise causes sleep disturbance and leads to stress in our household. How quiet this estate is was one of the primary reasons we bought the house last year.

**Loss of land and green space** – the proposed ramp and staircase in front of the underpass will eradicate recreational space for children play, kick balls and people relax.

**Loss of privacy** - loss of trees will impact on privacy - the apartment blocks at the Cornerstone are now visible above the treeline. Loss of trees will lead to our estates being overlooked.

We are also concerned about loss of privacy, loss in views, loss of parking and loss of property value. The proposed plans of less trees and more traffic will mean Patrician Villas will be less private, less green, more polluted, busier, noisier, more litter and a more dangerous place to live. The image of Patrician Villas will be substantially altered under the current proposals which may adversely impact property value in our area. We urge you to refuse these planning proposals and find an alternative location.

Yours Sincerely,

Rayna Connery and Owen Tighe