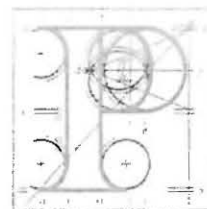


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**Date:** 25 July 2024

**Re:** BusConnects Bray to City Centre Core Bus Corridor Scheme  
Bray to Dublin City Centre.

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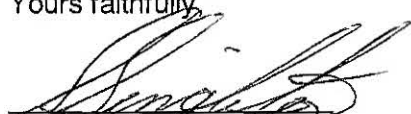
An Bord Pleanála has received your recent correspondence in relation to the above mentioned case. The Board will take into consideration the points made in your submission.

Please note the Board's decision to determine the application without an oral hearing is not open for further consideration.

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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**Subject:** FW: Ref: BusConnects Bray to City Centre Core Bus Corridor Scheme - Bray to Dublin City Centre

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**Sent:** Monday, July 15, 2024 4:51 PM  
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**Case Number:** 317742-23

**Subject:** Objection and Concerns Regarding the Proposed BusConnects Scheme Impacting Shankill Village

**From:** Gregory O'Brien

**Address:** 1 Cluain Na Greine Court Shankill, Dublin 18 Co. Dublin D18 XE28

**On Behalf of:** Gregory O'Brien

Dear Sir/Madam,

I am writing to formally object to and outline my concerns regarding the proposed BusConnects roadworks scheme, specifically as it impacts Shankill village and the surrounding area. Despite the submissions and points raised previously, the National Transport Authority (NTA) has not adequately addressed several key issues that significantly affect our community.

### 1. Lack of Addressed Concerns:

The NTA's response to the detailed submissions previously made to An Bord Pleanála has been insufficient. Many points remain unaddressed, while others are met with repetition rather than substantive answers. The reasons provided for the proposed scheme fail to specifically account for the unique context of Shankill, relying instead on generalities that do not align with the realities of our village.

### 2. Negative Impacts on Shankill:

The proposed changes are detrimental to Shankill's environment and community. Contrary to the NTA's claims, the scheme does not offer improvements for buses, cyclists, pedestrians, or the public realm within Shankill. Instead, it exacerbates existing issues, making conditions worse for all parties involved. The proposed 30 kph speed limit in the village core and 50 kph on the rest of the route are not applicable on the M11, which has been entirely ignored as an alternative route.

### **3. Environmental Concerns:**

There has been an inadequate environmental assessment concerning the proposed works. The potential environmental destruction is unjustifiable, especially when considering the sheer volume of submissions from Shankill, indicating strong community opposition compared to other areas along the route.

### **4. Ignored Alternatives:**

The NTA has completely disregarded the M11 option, which could potentially alleviate many of the concerns raised. This oversight is critical and demands immediate reconsideration.

### **5. Request for Oral Hearing:**

Given the significant public interest and the numerous unresolved issues, I am requesting once again that an Oral Hearing be held. This will provide a platform for thorough examination and dialogue, ensuring that the concerns of Shankill residents are adequately addressed and resolved. I urge the planning body to take these objections seriously and reconsider the proposed scheme in light of the valid concerns raised. The current proposal, as it stands, does not serve the best interests of Shankill village and poses unnecessary risks to our community and environment. Thank you for your attention to these matters. I look forward to your prompt response and a favorable reconsideration of the proposed scheme.

Kind Regards

Gregory O'Brien