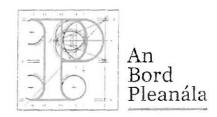
Our Case Number: ABP-317742-23



Willow Park Residents c/o Vivienne Kinsella 4 Willow Park Druid Valley Cabinteely Dublin 18 D18DR44

Date: 24 July 2024

Re: BusConnects Bray to City Centre Core Bus Corridor Scheme

Bray to Dublin City Centre.

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

Please quote the above-mentioned An Bord Pleanála reference number in any correspondence or telephone contact with the Board.

Yours faithful

Breda Ingle Executive Officer

Direct Line: 01-8737291

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As discussed thanks

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9 July 2024

Re: ABP 317742-23

Dear Aisling

Further to your letter of the 12th of June, and the NTA's response to our initial submission on the above, for the purposes of the hearing we would like to emphasise the following:

- We were very disappointed with the NTA's response to our submission, failing to substantively deal with
 or properly address any of the points or concerns that we raised. It is particularly galling that a State
 Body funded by our taxes would be so utterly dismissive of our legitimate concerns.
- 2. We reiterate that all of our points and concerns previous raised in our last submission remain applicable and unaddressed.
- 3. We believe it was particularly inappropriate and unacceptable for the BTA to dismiss the historic failure to date for the proper sound barrier as previously required from previous works to have been erected and the continuing need for this to happen before further development makes the existing problem worse. The "it's not our problem if someone else didn't do it" stance is patently not good enough when what they are doing will clearly exacerbate the existing problems the barrier was required for in the first place, and they cannot "take advantage" of the previous failure to not address the driver which have always required that work and continue to do so (even more so now with the works they are planning and the consequential increased foot and road traffic resulting).
- 4. It was disingenuous at best, and offensive at worst, for the NTA to intimate there will not be substantive additional footfall and traffic through the area, when the whole point of this project overall is to accommodate and support higher volumes and more regular footfall and traffic (particularly bus traffic)
- 5. The use of covid-period data when multiple lockdowns were on to forecast or baseline road use should be totally avoided as it is a completely unrealistically low indicator or "normal BAU" use of roads and pedestrian traffic. Increased heed should be given to the clear and patent increase in traffic which will continue to result form the ongoing development of tens of thousands of houses, and multiples of new businesses occupying increased office space and commercial stores, behind us in the Cherrywood development over the next couple of years, where a large percentage of those residents and workers will primarily use public transport through the n11 for work / school (where the luas is not suitable) and their primary shortest route of access is directly through the Druid Valley and past our houses for the nearest bus stops to us.

We would kindly ask you to consider our legitimate concerns and requests in reviewing the case.

Kind regards

Willow Park Residents