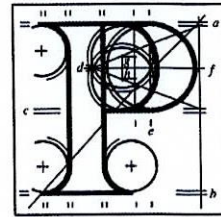


Our Case Number: ABP-313892-22



An
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Annamoe Park Residents Association
c/o 20 Annamoe Park
Cabra
Dublin 7
D07 V2K5

Date: 21 July 2023

Re: Bus Connects Blanchardstown to City Centre Core Bus Corridor Scheme
Blanchardstown to Dublin City Centre

Dear Sir / Madam,

An Bord Pleanála has received your recent submission in relation to the above mentioned proposed development and will take it into consideration in its determination of the matter.

Please note that the proposed development shall not be carried out unless the Board has approved it with or without modifications.

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 faithfully,

Eimear Reilly
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~~Yvonne Quirke~~
Annamoe Park Residents Association

Eimear Reilly

From: Eimear Reilly
Sent: Wednesday 12 July 2023 09:40
To: Yvonne Quirke
Cc: [REDACTED]
Subject: RE: ABP-313892-23 (ABP-313892-22)

Good morning Yvonne

I acknowledge receipt of your email – a formal acknowledgement will issue in due course.

Kind regards

Eimear

From: Yvonne Quirke <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Tuesday, July 11, 2023 11:18 PM
To: Eimear Reilly <e.reilly@pleanala.ie>
Cc: [REDACTED] Yvonne Quirke <[REDACTED]>
Subject: ABP-313892-23 (ABP-313892-22)

Good evening Eimear,

Please find as discussed earlier the addition to my original submission from 30th of August 2022. Apologies for the delay in forwarding, i had to wait for additional committee members to sanction my submission.

Kind regards

Yvonne Quirke,
on behalf of Annamoe Park Residents Association,
C/o 20 Annamoe Park, Cabra, Dublin 7.

Annamoe Park Residents Association

An Bord Pleanála
(Strategic Infrastructure Division)
64 Marlborough Street
Dublin 1
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11th July 2023

Reference: Blanchardstown to City Centre Core Bus Corridor Scheme Compulsory Purchase Order 2022 – Map ref 0005-DM-0027 – Notice of Restriction of or Interference with Existing Public Right of way.

We the Residents of Annamoe Park wish to object to the above extinguishing of the right of way on Annamoe Road / Annamoe Terrace.

A new sign went up on Monday 15th of August 2022 stating that the right to travel towards the North Circular Road via Annamoe Road was being compulsorily purchased under the guise of the Bus Connect Corridor and any observations/objections must be with An Bord Pleanála by 30th of August 2022. This closure was not originally stated on the proposal for the bus corridor and when I contacted Bus Connect, I was told that the document was a working document and could be changed at any time with additions of road closures as and when suited Bus Connect. They quoted a model that perceives a greater reduction of traffic traveling along the Navan Road from the M50 going forward, when I enquired if this study was compiled during Covid I was told it was a model for the future, this does not take into consideration the needs of an existing community in the Cabra area just traffic coming into Dublin along the Navan Road. This does not consider the stress and additional cost of a community which is being cut off from the greater Dublin area to suit Bus Connect.

The alternative route for the Residents of Annamoe Park and neighbouring area to get to the North Circular Road is proposed at St Peter's Church in Phibsboro the straight ahead lane will become a straight ahead and turn right lane, this will potentially increase a 1/2hour journey for the residents who take elderly residents to collect their pension at the post office on Prussia Street or grocery

shopping to potentially 1 – 1.5 hour as the junction of Hanlon's Corner will only have a left turn lane with the right turn gone coming from Prussia Street. This will have a huge impact both on the time of volunteers and fuel costs. The extinguishing of this right of way will have a significant impact on anyone who lives in the area and has to travel outside the immediate 200m radius. This proposed closure of part of Annamoe Road will cause direct hardship to the many residents of Annamoe Park, Drive and Terrace without even considering a minimum of local access to the residents – examples of this would be peak hours when traveling to work outside the city limits where public transport is not available. I am an example of this as part of my job description I had to produce a valid driving licence for nationwide travel.

What we are asking is consultation as this has not occurred and possibly local access as a minimum as a compromise. We would appreciate consideration of our options.

I wish to extend my initial objection with the inclusion of the following.

As this proposed re-routing of traffic was done ad hoc and without consultation with those to be so savagely affected I propose that this issue be dealt with in a more compassionate and reasonable fashion. Due to the callousness and disregard for the working public in this area these proposals if implemented will cause a seething anger and result in on street protests making this plan unworkable.

It is high time that people's genuine fears are addressed by consultation and agreement. As we have been denied a voice in this matter, we will consult extensively with our political representatives to ensure that this proposal is halted.

Yours Sincerely

Yvonne Quirke

Teresa Downey

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Secretary

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Chairperson

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