34 Georgian Village Castleknock Dublin 15

25th August 2022

Re: Blanchardstown to City Centre Core Bus Corridor Scheme Compulsory Purchase Order 2022 – All rights of Vehicular traffic (except pedal cycles and other bicycles) in an eastbound and southbound direction (from Castleknock Road to Blackhorse Avenue and Ashtown Gate Road)......coloured green on the deposit map reference 0005-DM-0018.

To Whom it May Concern

In relation to the above I wish to raise the following observations:

- 1. It is not acceptable to close off this route to car traffic bearing in mind the few buses going through at the top of Blackhorse Avenue on an hourly basis.
- 2. This specific route is a main artery into town and no or no adequate consultation has been had with the OPW who manage Phoenix Park.
- 3. There is nothing to stop the buses entering the Phoenix Park at Ashtown and exiting further down at Cabra exit, it having been adjusted to take account of buses.
- 4. There has been inadequate consultation with Residents Association in the various estates in Castleknock, Blackhorse Avenue and Navan Road and this whole plan should be shelved until adequate consultation and if possible agreement reached in the necessity for this.
- 5. It would be very nice for Dublin Bus if their buses could run on exclusive roads to them but that does not reflect the reality of the fact that motorists are paying car tax, vat, excise duty and tax on fuel and this is a further attempt to force them off the road.

Yours sincerely

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