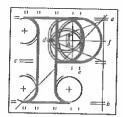
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## Planning Authority Reference Number:



An Bord Pleanála

Geraldine Fagan and others 42 Culmore Road Palmerstown Dublin 20

Date: 10th February 2023

Re: BusConnects Lucan to City Centre Core Bus Corridor Scheme

Lucan to Dublin City Centre

Dear Sir / Madam,

An Bord Pleanála has received your recent submission (including your fee of €50) in relation to the above-mentioned proposed road development and will take it into consideration in its determination of the matter.

Please note that the proposed road development shall not be carried out unless the Board has approved it or approved it with modifications.

If you have any queries in the meantime, please contact the undersigned. Please quote the above mentioned An Bord Pleanála reference number in any correspondence or telephone contact with the Board.

Yours faithfully,

Doina Chiforescu Executive Officer

Direct Line: 01-8737133

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10 January 2023

Dear Sirs.

Re: Planning and Developments Acts 2000 -2021

Planning and Development (Strategic Infrastructure) Act 2006

Programme Title: Busconnects Dublin Core Bus Corridors Infrastructure Works

Proposed Development: Lucan to City Centre Bus Corridor Scheme

Observations by: Geraldine Fagan, Michael Fagan, Mairead Sinclair, Susan Birkett

**Observations** 

## Environmental and Planning

Having read the above proposed development there are many areas of concern. I wish to make the following Observations on the Proposed Developments of the Lucan to Centre.

Bus Corridor Scheme, see below:

- 1. The traffic congestion which is already a problem will be compounded by changes to be made at the junction at the Oval and Kennelsfort Rd. By removing the left filter, the traffic will be backed up, increasing travel time and causing more emissions to be pumped into the atmosphere thereby causing more damage to the ozone layer. There has never been a problem with cars exiting left and crossing the bus lane.
- 2. Changing the route of the 26/80 bringing it in through the village does not serve any member of the community, in fact it will have the opposite effect, as the bus stop at The Drive will be removed making it really really difficult for anyone living on any of the roads around The Oval. The number of vehicles that jump the lights already is very dangerous causing many accidents at both junctions. Having one bus stop in the village makes it inaccessible for most people.
- 3. The bus stops need to be kept where they are., there is a green space at the Apple Green garage that could be used for the buses to pull off the main road. There has never been a problem with buses backing up.

- 4. Taking the No 18 bus away altogether will leave a portion of Palmerstown without any bus service. The proposed idea of getting a bus to the Coldcut and having to change there and cross two roads to get a link towards Ballyfermot and beyond is unimaginable. The time delay and possible cost will certainly not encourage people to use the bus, on the contrary it will drive people to use their cars.
- 5. With regard to the cycle lane it would be possible to bring the lane through an area across from the Beehive out onto the R148 and down along towards the village, thereby avoiding the damage that will be caused to the village by removing the parking. As a cyclist I have never had a problem cycling through the village.
- 6. There is also the issue of the natural habitat for badgers and bats, both which live along the green area between Kennelsfort Rd and Shaws.

It would be more useful if the old Lucan Rd behind the Apple Green garage was opened to traffic going into Chapelizod.

We look forward to being informed to the progress of this project. We enclose our fee of €50.00 (cheque).

Yours sincerely,

Geraldine Fagan

Michael Fagan

Mairead Sinclair

Susan Birkett

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