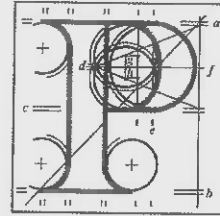


Our Case Number: ABP-314942-22

Planning Authority Reference Number:



**An
Bord
Pleanála**

Brendan Higgins and others
1 Laburnum Walk
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
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Theresa Moylan,
45 Oakcourt Park, Palmerstown, Dublin 20
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

We the above-named people, have serious concerns regarding the proposed development of the Bus Connects going through Palmerstown.

1. Traffic congestion is already a problem in Palmerstown. Removing the left filter at the junction of the Kennelsfort Road and the R148, will exacerbate this problem. It will result in increased traffic congestion, increased emissions, and increased journey times for commuters.
2. The removal of the 18 Bus service from Palmerstown, will cause significant hardship to many people who use this route. Having to change buses at the Coldcut Road, will increase travel times, reduce convenience, and make using the bus less attractive. When the cost is factored in, it will make using this new route very user unfriendly.
3. Palmerstown has already suffered as a result of the R148 dividing the village which has made it difficult for the local community to access the churches, the swimming pool, Waterstown Park, Mill Lane, the Parish Centre, Stewart's Foundation and all the local businesses within the village and also for people exiting the village to access the amenities in other parts of Palmerstown.
4. Regarding the proposed cycle lane, it is possible to bring it out through the old Fassnidge Garage and out at the new apartments, which would reduce further destruction of Palmerstown Village. The existing cycle lane on the Kennelsfort Road already serves the needs of the local community
5. There is a serious risk of structural damage to the houses on Kennelsfort Road due to the increased volume of traffic.
6. These proposed plans have no regard to the natural habitats of the bats and badger sets along the embankment on the North side of the R148.
7. The cost of this proposed plan would serve the local community and through traffic much better if an underpass were constructed at the junction of the Kennelsfort Road and the R148, which has been in the pipeline for many years.

In conclusion, this proposed development will have the opposite effect of what the plans intend as it will take people off the buses and into their cars.

We look forward to receiving updates as they are available and expect to be kept informed of each step as it progresses.

We enclose our fee of €50.00 (cheque)

Yours sincerely,

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