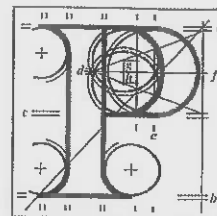


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**An
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Pleanála**

Mary Seery Kearney
Leinster House
Kildare Street
Dublin 2

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,

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11th January 2023

Observation from Senator Mary Seery Kearney
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Reference: 314988 Core Bus Corridor from Lucan to City Centre

The Core Bus Corridor from Lucan to City Centre is intended to provide bus services to Chapelizod amongst other areas.

In late 2021 the consolidated bus route, the C Spine, was commenced and this affected the connectivity of Chapelizod with Lucan and Leixlip where many of the residents in Chapelizod either go to secondary school (there is no secondary school in Chapelizod) or where they work (Intel, Hewlett Packard, etc.). While there is still a service through the village, the main bus route was moved from going through the village to travelling only on the Chapelizod Bypass. The effectiveness of the C Spine in its servicing of the residents in Chapelizod Village is dependent upon pedestrian access from Chapelizod village to the Bypass and the installation of bus stops on the Bypass.

Inexplicably the change was proceeded with by the NTA in the absence of this essential infrastructure, rendering the residents of Chapelizod without the required bus stops, access infrastructure and effectively the C Spine bus route.

This essential infrastructure is the subject matter of section 5.5.4.1.2 construction methodology description, shown on Sheet 20 in the General Arrangement Drawings. It details the provision of a pedestrian ramp and stairs, the widening of the Chapelizod Bypass to create the bus stop laybys on either side of the Bypass. The work is proposed to take 6 months to construct.

I have absolutely no objection to this essential infrastructure. My ask is that An Bord Pleanála impose a condition that obliges the prioritisation of these works and ensure so that they are completed at the earliest possible time within the work schedule for this corridor.

Yours faithfully,


Mary Seery Kearney