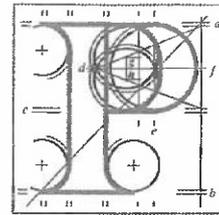


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**An
Bord
Pleanála**

Eoghan O'Neill
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Dublin 20
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Date: 17 January 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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Bus Connects

Lucan Scheme, Palmerstown Section

Observations:

Changes at The Oval:

1. Existing left filter at The Oval removed.

Consequences:

- Increased stationary traffic around 2 schools.
- Decreased air quality.

2. Bus stop at Palmerstown Drive removed.

Consequences:

- Residents will now have to walk in excess of 700 metres to use the new bus stops in the village.

3. Bus stop at Applegreen moved to the back of Shaws.

Consequences:

- Commuters using this new bus stop will not have access to any C Spine buses as they would have had previously.

4. Bus (80) replacing no. 26 entering and exiting Palmerstown village.

Consequences:

- Longer travel time on the bus. Commuters using the bus stops in the village will not be able to use any C Buses as they will still be on the main road.
- Major disruption to a quiet village.
- Increased exhaust pollution.

Changes at Kennelsfort Road / R148 Junction:

1. No left turn from the village towards The Oval / Town.

Consequences:

- Congestion in the village. Previously had little traffic.
- Increased pollution for residents and users of Stewarts Hospital.

2. Changing the bus number of 26 to 80.

Consequences:

- Cost of change for no valid reason is a waste of taxpayer's money.
- Confusion for some commuters.

3. No left filter coming down Kennelsfort Road towards M50.

Consequences:

- Massive increase in congestion on Kennelsfort Road will mean traffic queuing for up to 1 kilometre at peak times, effectively making residents along this corridor prisoners in their own homes during peak times.
- Stationary traffic will cause huge increase in exhaust fumes with health consequences for vulnerable residents and cyclists using this road.
- No bus lane on Kennelsfort Road means the 26 (80) bus will be stuck also.

Changes at Old Lucan Road:

1. Removal of No. 18 bus route.

Consequences:

- No alternative bus option that covers all the areas of the no. 18 route.
- Many commuters rely on this route including staff and day patients of Stewarts Hospital.

In conclusion, all of the above consequences are as a result of re-routing the 26 (80) bus route through Palmerstown village. This does not benefit residents in any part of Palmerstown or indeed anyone who attends Stewart's Hospital.

I hope you will take note of these observations and amend the plans to take my observations into account.

My name: Eoghan O'Neill

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