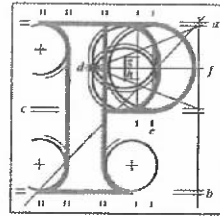


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**An
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Pleanála**

Imelda Scally & Others
14 Glen Auline Road
Palmerstown
Dublin 20

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,

Doina Chiforescu
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14 Glen Auline Road

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10 January 2023

The Secretary

An Bord Pleanála

Re : BusConnects (Lucan to City Centre Bus Corridor)

Dear Secretary

We wish to raise the following observations in relation to the above matter –

Changes at the Oval

- Removal of left filter at the Oval towards Lucan has potential to cause major delays for traffic exiting the estate, especially at school opening and closing times. As it is, there is huge congestion at peak traffic times with children crossing the roads leading to dangerous conditions.
- Removal of Bus Stop at Palmerstown Drive and its relocation to the west side of the junction and
- Relocation of Bus Stop at the Applegreen to back of Shaws and
- relocation of pedestrian crossing from east to west side of junction
- These three issues will discommode in particular residents of Palmerstown Drive, Culmore Road/Park, Glen Auline Road, Woodfarm Avenue to name just a few, many of who are now elderly. These residents will now find it very difficult and dangerous to cross the road at the junction to get to and from their homes.
- Bus No. 80 (replacing No. 26) entering and exiting Palmerstown village at Shaws will again impact residents and in particular the elderly as they will have multiple crossings to make in order to get to and from their homes.
- Re-routing of No. 80 (replacing No. 26) entering and exiting Palmerstown village at Shaws eliminates residents availing of buses coming into Palmerstown from say Celbridge, Maynooth, Lucan going towards City Centre. Difficult enough at present to get a seat on a bus at peak traffic times from Palmerstown to City Centre
- No filter lane on Bus Corridor coming from City Centre and entering Oval will cause further delays for traffic wishing to proceed to Lucan and beyond.

Changes at the Kennelsfort Road / R148 Junction

- No left turn from village towards Oval and City Centre will cause huge delays for motorists who live on the east side of Kennelsfort Road as there is only one proposed exit at Shaws. This will also impact on funerals from St. Philomena's church making their way to Glasnevin and Mount Jerome cemeteries leading to chaos for ordinary motorists.

- Loss of parking on the north side of the Old Lucan Road, in the area of Millbrook Apts. / Ulster Bank, will make accessing the services (shops and Parish Centre on Lr. Kennelsfort Road) extremely difficult.
- The two-lane cycle way from M50 wall to behind Applegreen (church side) is not necessary in our opinion as it is not a through traffic road from Lr. Kennelsfort Road junction to M50 wall at Hollyville. For attendees at St. Philomena's church this cycle way will impact greatly especially on Sundays, days of funerals, weddings, Holy Communions, Confirmations etc. as there are no alternative parking solutions. As a regular walker on the Old Lucan Road we have never observed any number of cyclists at peak traffic times or indeed at any time.

We hope you will give valuable consideration to the above observations before granting the NTA planning permission.

Yours sincerely

Imelda Scally (on behalf of Scally household)