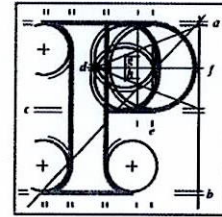


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Date: 05 July 2023

Re: Bus Connects Templeogue/Rathfarnham to City Centre Core Bus Corridor Scheme
Templeogue/Rathfarnham to City Centre

Dear Sir / Madam,

An Bord Pleanála has received your recent submission in relation to the above-mentioned proposed road development and will take it into consideration in its determination of the matter. Please accept this letter as a receipt for the fee of €50 that you have paid.

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

The Board has also received an application for confirmation of a compulsory purchase order which relates to this proposed road development. The Board has absolute discretion to hold an oral hearing in respect of any application before it, in accordance with section 218 of the Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended. Accordingly, the Board will inform you in due course on this matter. The Board shall also make a decision on both applications at the same time.

If you have any queries in relation to this matter please contact the undersigned officer of the Board.

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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The Templeogue / Rathfarnham to City Centre Core Bus Corridor Scheme (the Proposed Scheme)

Dear Sir/madam

I am writing to object to the proposed rerouting of all private traffic heading out of the City towards Templeogue/Rathfarnham and Tallaght, onto the Rathmines Road upper and Highfield Road.

Currently traffic goes into and out of the City along Rathgar Road with absolutely no issue except for rush hour times going out of the City through Rathgar Village. This could easily be handled by having a Bus traffic light system to give preference ahead of cars beside shops at top of Rathgar road.

The current scheme is planning to put all private traffic up Rathmines road upper, which is already an extremely busy road, that a bus and a car cannot pass each other currently without pulling into a gap between parked cars/delivery vans. through neighbourhood local shops and past Tranquilla Park playground. Then to an extremely busy T Junction where now you are going to introduce a right turn up another residential road that already has blockages from Rathgar Village down to St Luke's Hospital every rush hour and which also has speed ramps installed for local children safety and traffic calming and this new proposal wants to put another nine thousand cars roughly per day through this residential road that again if a large truck or bus is met you have to nearly give way.

If these proposed changes are allowed, it will absolutely ruin Rathgar/Palmerston/Rathmines/Ranelagh area as every side road and quite neighbourhood will become a rat runs to get away from the colossal collapse of commuting that is going to occur in Rathgar and Rathmines.

I also am objecting vehemently to a massive sign that has been noted to be installed outside my front door so when I look out my living room window, I will only see the back of a metal sign blocking any view of the neighbourhood. Ref Road Marking Page 29. BCIDC-ARP-TSM_GA-1012_XX_00-DR-CR-0026

This seems absolute madness considering the Bus Corridor scheme is not even putting on any volume of busses to the current route and the reality is we should be building a Luas system around the city and not pandering to antivehicle brigade.

Yours

Niall Turley