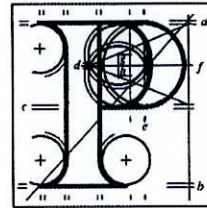


Our Case Number: ABP-316272-23
Planning Authority Reference Number:



**An
Bord
Pleanála**

Susan Kearney, Mary Duff & Iona Whelan
c/o 574 Woodview Cottages
Rathfarnham
Dublin 14

Date: 15 August 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 (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 mean time, please contact the undersigned officer of the Board at laps@pleanala.ie

Please quote the above mentioned An Bord Pleanála reference number in any correspondence or telephone contact with the Board.

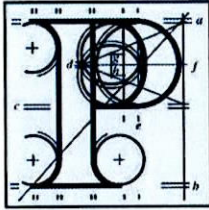
Yours faithfully,

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Executive Officer
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Observation on a Strategic Infrastructure Development Application

Observer's details

1. Observer's details (person making the observation)

If you are making the observation, write your full name and address.

If you are an agent completing the observation for someone else, write the observer's details:

(a) Observer's
name

Click or tap here to enter text.

Susan Kearney, Mary Duff and Iona Whelan

(b) Observer's
postal address

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Agent's details

2. Agent's details (if applicable)

If you are an agent and are acting for someone else **on this observation**, please **also** write your details below.

If you are not using an agent, please write "Not applicable" below.

(a) Agent's name

Click or tap here to enter text.

(b) Agent's postal
address

Click or tap here to enter text.

Postal address for letters

3. During the process to decide the application, we will post information and items to you or to your agent. For this **current application**, who should we write to? (Please tick ✓ one box only)

You (the observer) at the postal address in Part 1

The agent at the postal address in Part 2

Details about the proposed development

4. Please provide details about the **current application** you wish to make an observation.

- (a) **An Bord Pleanála case number for the current application (if available)**
(for example: 300000)

HA29N.316272

- (b) **Name or description of proposed development**

CONSTRUCTION COMPOND TR3

- (c) **Location of proposed development**

(for example: 1 Main Street, Baile Fearainn, Co Abhaile)

DODDERVIEW ROAD/CHURCH LANE/WOODVIEW COTTAGES

Observation details

5. Grounds

Please describe the grounds of your observation (planning reasons and arguments). You can type or write them in the space below. There is **no word limit** as the box expands to fit what you write.

You can also insert photographs or images in this box. (See part 6 – Supporting materials for more information).

As residents of Woodview Cottages who have lived here all our lives and are currently living with a construction compound on the green space beside our homes since 2019 to facilitate the Dodder Greenway project, we wish to object to the continued/prolonged use of the Woodview Cottage Green space on the following grounds:

1. Flood prevention - the current field has acts as a flood plain since the Dodder road was put in place over 40 year ago, our gardens which went to the river Dodder were CPO for this road, residents of Woodview Cottages are unable to get flood protection on their home, we have been flooded many time by both the Dodder and the Owendoher Rivers , we were lucky to in 2012 to have a wall provided to help us with the Owendoher river , the only defence we ever had the last time with the Dodder river was the field which you are proposing to take over. When these rivers burst their banks they do so a ferocious rate and as someone who has been effected by flooding with no insurance and with the current climate and the increase in rainfall I can assure any increased risk of flooding is a serious concern to residents, has anyone even taken this in a factor when proposing to use the this field for a construction compound.

2. Safety – since the new greenway on the main road rear of Woodview cottage commenced the road is overrun with heavy vehicles entering and exiting from the existing site. This is a big concern for a lot of people. another concern we have is that the proposed development will increase this traffic to a dangerous level. Already this road has become very dangerous due to the narrowing of both lanes so much so that it is only a matter of time before a more serious accident will happen, and with the now proposed increase of traffic diverted from Templeogue to Dodder Road it will be even more hazardous. Another factor is the concentrations of dust and other airborne chemicals, at present this has had a significant effect on residents. Likewise, the noise pollution is a major factor, and this would greatly intensify should the whole greenspace be turned into a construction compound. Again has this be taken in to consideration ..

3. Wildlife – The loss of our greenspace for a construction site would have a grave impact on the natural habitat of our local wildlife - foxes, bats, badgers, etc_ . the greenspace is alive at night with all the different wild life we have here, I notice that across the road in Bushy Park woods a section of the area has been closed for the protection of the same wildlife , the tree care program they wanted to do was postponed partly due to the disturbance it was causing the same wildlife , but across the road there seem no such consideration for said wildlife , has any thought are environmental study been completed ?????..

5. Grounds

4. Loss of green space for residents - As a resident, I have concerns over the welfare for all residents especially our children who currently play on the field, as we did growing up, as previously stated residents had to give up their gardens . It was agreed then that the field would be given to us as an area to help replace loss of gardens, the field has become a garden space over the years for everyone.

the field is used by the local children, fitness groups, dog walkers, we have our social events, annual resident party, and other people use the area throughout the year. To remove this space would be a real loss for the community.

Supporting materials

6. If you wish, you can include supporting materials with your observation.

Supporting materials include:

- photographs,
- plans,
- surveys,
- drawings,
- digital videos or DVDs,
- technical guidance, or
- other supporting materials.

You can insert photographs and similar items in your observation details: grounds (part 5 of this form).

If your supporting materials are physical objects, you must send them together with your observation by post or deliver it in person to our office. You cannot use the online uploader facility.

Fee

7. You **must** make sure that the correct fee is included with your observation.

Observers (except prescribed bodies)

- strategic infrastructure observation is €50.
- there is no fee for an oral hearing request

Oral hearing request

8. If you wish to request the Board to hold an oral hearing, please tick the “Yes, I wish to request an oral hearing” box below.

You can find information on how to make this request on our website or by contacting us.

If you do not wish to request an oral hearing, please tick the “No, I do not wish to request an oral hearing” box.

Yes, I wish to request an oral hearing

No, I do not wish to request an oral hearing

Final steps before you send us your observations

9. If you are sending us your observation using **the online uploader facility**, remember to save this document as a Microsoft word or PDF and title it with:

- the case number and your name, or
- the name and location of the development and your name.

This also applies to prescribed bodies sending an observation by email.

If you are sending your observation to us by post or delivering in person, remember to print off all the pages of this document and send it to us.

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FEM – Received		SIDS – Processed	
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Date		Date	

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