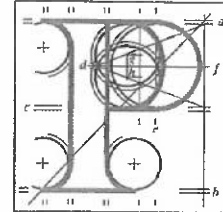


Our Case Number: ABP-317121-23



**An
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All Hallows Area Association
c/o Catherine Hazlett
142 Griffith Avenue
Dublin 9
D09V0V9

Date: 11 September 2023

Re: BusConnects Swords to City Centre Bus Corridor Scheme
Swords to Dublin City Centre

Dear 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 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,

Sarah Caulfield
Executive Officer
Direct Line: 01-8737287

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C/O 142 Griffith Avenue,
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8th September 2023.

**Attention: Sarah Caulfield, Executive Officer, An Bord Pleanala,
64, Marlborough Street, Dublin 1**

Re: Bus Connects: Compulsory Purchase Order of part of the green area along Swords Road, Dublin 9 which is outside Griffith Downs, to facilitate a two-way cycle lane (approx. 60 meters long), between the entrance to Griffith Downs and the pedestrian entrance to Seven Oaks, Dublin 9.

Ref. No. 1174(1).1i and 1174(2).1i

ABP Ref. No. 317121 - 23

I write on behalf of the All Hallows Area Association (AHAA). The AHAA is the resident's association for Griffith Avenue (from the Upper Drumcondra Rd junction to the Malahide Road junction) and some 14 nearby roads in the Drumcondra area, including Griffith Downs.

The residents of Griffith Downs are concerned that the latest Bus Connects (Swords to City Centre Core Bus Corridor Scheme) project includes a Compulsory Purchase Order to permanently acquire a large strip of the mature green area along the Swords Road and immediately outside Griffith Downs to accommodate a new two-way cycle lane (approx. 60 meters long).

The residents are concerned about the proposals for the change of use of this strip of land along the road. I understand that a number of them have submitted their own observations to ABP. They wish to see the adjustment in the Bus Connect plans to ensure that the green area, which is maintained by residents, is protected and

conserved. The All Hallows Area Association is submitting these observations in support of the residents' efforts to retain this valuable green area.

The residents of Griffith Downs make the case that there is a north-bound cycle lane currently in use across the road (west side of Swords Road) which is used on a daily basis by cyclists going north and who cross the road to enter Seven Oaks/Bonnington Hotel at the traffic lights. There is currently a footpath along the outer wall of Griffith Downs and a single cycle lane going into the city (south-bound) which is shared by a footpath directly along the roadway which contains the bus lane.

The residents consider that there are adequate cycle lanes on either side of the Swords Road at this point which only need to be upgraded as part of the Bus Connects implementation plan and that these will more than adequately support the need for more cycling well into the future

They consider that there is no need to remove any of the existing green space which has been carefully maintained by the residents of Griffith Downs for the past forty years. It is now a well-kept mature green space containing flowers and mature shrubs, planted on a yearly basis, making a valuable contribution to bio diversity and area enhancement goals.

The residents support the upgrade of the area immediately around the bus stop outside Seven Oaks/Griffith Downs as part of this programme.

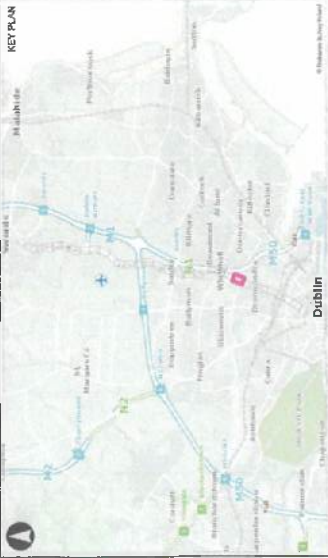
Submitted for attention, please.

Catherine Hazlett, 
Chairperson,

All Hallows Area Association,

Attachment: a. NTA Map (Sheet 25) of the area of concern.

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**Swords to City Centre
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Land Acquisition Map

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