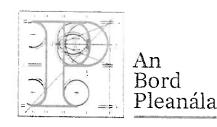
Our Case Number: ABP-317660-23



Colin Price 15 St. Martin's Park Kimmage **D6W YX92**

Date: 02 January 2024

Re: Bus Connects Kimmage to City Centre core bus corridor scheme

Kimmage, Dublin

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 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,

Executive Officer

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8TH December 2023



REF: OBSERVATION RELATING TO "BUS CONNECTS DUBLIN – KIMMAGE TO CITY CENTRE", CASE REF: HA29N.317660

Dear An Bord Pleanala,

I am submitting this observation in 2 capacities; as a resident of St Martin's Park, and also on behalf of my Mother, Aileen Price who is owner/landlord of 195 Lr Kimmage Road, regarding the proposals for the Kimmage to City Centre Bus Corridor, Bord Pleanála Case reference: HA29N.317660.

There are 2 points that I would like to make

Access/Bus Gate at Junction of Ravensdale Park & Lower Kimmage Road

Access to the area is a big concern for the businesses and many residents too. I very much welcome the substitution of the 24/7 gate which was initially planned, with a peak time gate. However, I would appreciate if the negative impact could be reduced further by reducing the days of operation from currently 7 (it was 6 days, Mon to Sat in the last iteration), to 5 days (Mon to Fri only), or at least to the last iteration which was 6 days.

Also, could the hours of peak operation, which are currently quite broad, be reduced to better align with actual peak? For example, in the am 7:00 to 09:30, and in the pm 16:00 to 19:00. Also bear in mind the 24/7 bus gates at Harold's Cross will continue to lower overall traffic flows into the city. Applying more flexibility at Ravensdale will should not negatively impact on this, but will make connectivity easier for residents within the area.

Parking on Lr Kimmage Road

The NTA states:

"6.4.6.1.2.4 Parking and Loading • There are currently 22 informal, part-time parking spaces southwest of the R817 Kimmage Road Lower / Sundrive Road Junction, adjacent to the R817 Kimmage Road Lower southbound carriageway. It is proposed to remove a total of six spaces, and to allow full-time use of the remaining 16 spaces. 52 off-street permit parking spaces will be available on the opposite side of the street and most residential properties have off-street parking at the rear. The impact of removing six part-time spaces, balanced against the enhancement to full-time for the remaining 16 spaces, is assessed as having a Negligible."

Please note that the 52 parking spaces referred to are privately owned from nos. 177-199 Kimmage Road Lower. There has been no engagement or consultation from NTA in relation to these spaces. They are in use seven days a week due to the varying businesses in operation and many of the properties also have residents who have cars or require use of their own car par spaces — this is continuing the mixed-use purpose of the design of these properties that dates back to the 1930's.

I don't believe it is appropriate that the NTA can say that these spaces will be available for other users when they are used by and owned by the owners of these properties? If these were "traditional" driveways with walls and gates it would be akin to NTA saying that other residents can park in them.

Thank you for considering my observations.

Best Regards

Colin Price