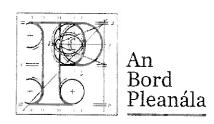
Our Case Number: ABP-317660-23



Peter Drennan 73 Poddle Park Kimmage Dublin 12 D12V1W4

Date: 12 December 2023

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

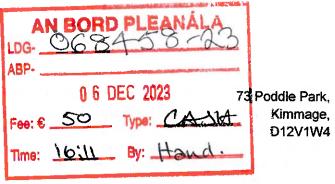
Please quote the above-mentioned An Bord Pleanála reference number in any correspondence or telephone contact with the Board.

Yours faithfully.

Eimear Reilly Executive Officer

Direct Line: 01-8737184

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An Bord Pleanála (Strategic Infrastructure Division) 64 Marlborough Street Dublin 1, D01V902 5th December 2023

Bord Pleanála Case reference: HA29N.317660 Kimmage Bus Corridor

The undersigned residents of Poddle Park, Kimmage, Dublin12 wish to make submission to An Bord Pleanala regarding the above application. The objections relate to

- 1. Removing general through-traffic along the overall road where the bus gate is located.
- 2. Closing Poddle Park to through traffic.

Removing general through-traffic along the overall road where the bus gate is located.

Objection: The Proposed Scheme will have an overall length of approximately 3.7km (kilometres) and will be routed along Kimmage Road Lower, Harold's Cross Road, Clanbrassil Street Upper and Lower, and New Street South from the Kimmage Cross Roads to the Patrick Street Junction. The Kimmage / Crumlin / Harolds Cross population is quite an elderly one and it is often not feasible for them to cycle, walk or bus it to the many facilities located along this route, e.g. Churches, graveyard, Hospice, Nursing Homes, funeral homes, Doctors and Dentists. It will be quite distressing for them to have to find alternative routes on how to access these facilities.

Objection: According to the EIA Report the primary objective of the Proposed Scheme is the facilitation of modal shift from car dependency through the provision of walking, cycle, and bus infrastructure enhancements. Realistically this is not going to happen on the scale they envisage. As a result there is going to be a huge traffic impact on the smaller and side roads in the Kimmage area. This is a direct contradiction of previous traffic management plans, whereby traffic was discouraged to use "rat runs". Now it is actively encouraging it.

Objection: All traffic heading a North – South direction or vise versa is either being directed onto to the Sundrive Road and onto Clareville Road or Terenure Road West. This is also the only West – East access route. There are at least two major schools at these locations. Traffic will increase substantially. This will not be safe for children.

Poddle Park to the west will be closed to through-traffic, except for cyclists, at the junction with Ravensdale Park;

Objection: Whilst we may welcome a quieter road, this will cause difficulties for residents living on that road as well as diverting even more cars to Stannaway Road and surrounding side roads. There is also concern that it would delay emergency vehicles accessing Poddle Park as they would have to use (a probably congested and narrow) Stannaway Road and smaller roads leading to Poddle Park.

We also would like to point out that the residents were never informed of the decision to close off Poddle Park until the planning notice was erected for the Bus Corridor.

The Public Consultation Report 2018-202 states with regard to engagement: "Potentially Impacted Properties Letters were delivered to each individual potentially impacted property affected by the Kimmage to City Centre Core Bus Corridor on 18 January 2019. Each potentially impacted property was also sent a copy of the Emerging Preferred Route brochure for the Kimmage to City Centre Core Bus Corridor (Please see Appendix 3E for a copy of this letter). In total, 88 letters were delivered on 18 January 2019 along the Kimmage to City Centre Core Bus Corridor, with 26 property owners availing of the one-to-one meetings." Residents of Poddle Park did not receive a letter.

In conclusion, Bus Connect are currently rolling out their improved programme for a more efficient service. We believe that should the public transport system improve, there would be no need for a bus gate as more people would use public transport heading to and from the city, thus reducing the traffic flow. We suggest that this proposal be delayed until Bus Connect and the new routes are operational and evidence presented if there is then a need for this Bus Corridor. Please let the Kimmage /Crumlin area remain accessible for the community.

Written on behalf of the attached by

Peter Drennan

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Submissions/observations may be made in writing to the Board at An Bord Pleanála (Strategic Infrastructure Division), 64 Marlborough Street, Dublin 1, D01 V902 in relation to:

- the likely effects on the environment of the proposed road development, if carried out;
- the implications of the proposed road development, if carried out, for proper planning and sustainable development in the area in which it is proposed to situate the proposed road development; and
- the likely significant effects of the proposed road development on a European site

before 5:30pm on this extended date of 8th December 2023.

Any submissions/observations must be accompanied by a fee of €50 and must be received by the Board not later than 5.30 p.m. on Friday 8th of December 2023. As with the previous Notice, this fee will not apply to certain prescribed bodies including those specified in section 51(3)(b) of the Roads Act 1993 (as amended) or to landowners and others with a legal interest in land who are objecting to compulsory acquisition of land in which they have such an interest in a compulsory acquisition case. This fee shall also not be payable by any person who had already made and paid the fee for a submission/observation between 1st August 2023 and 26th October 2023.

Submissions/observations accompanied with a fee can also be made on the An Bord Pleanálawebsite at the following address: https://online.pleanala.ie/en-ie/sid/observation.

Those who are <u>not required to pay</u> a fee can submit via email to <u>laps@pleanala.ie</u>.

A copy of the application documentation Environmental Impact Assessment Report and the Natura Impact Statement may be seen at the following locations on working days during the opening hours listed below now to the extended date of 8th December 2023:

National Transport Authority
Dún Scéine
Harcourt Lane
Dublin 2
D02 WT20
Opening Hours
Monday to Friday 9:15am to
4:00pm

An Bord Pleanála, 64 Marlborough Street, Dublin 1, D01 V902

Opening Hours Monday to Friday 9:15am to 5:30pm

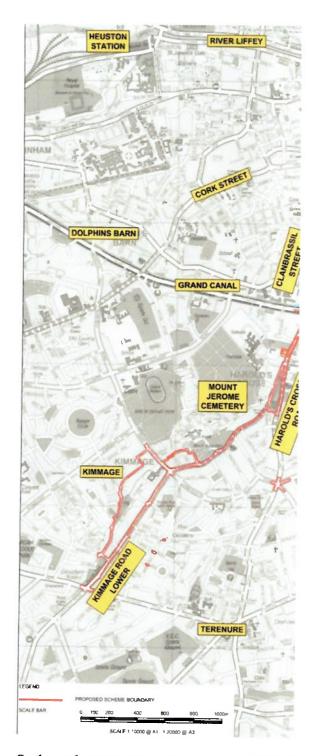
A copy of the application documentation, Environmental Impact Assessment Report and the Natura Impact Statement may be inspected and downloaded free of charge at the National Transport Authority website for the Kimmage to City Centre Core Bus Corridor Scheme at:

www.kimmagescheme.je

A copy of Environmental Impact Assessment Report (EIAR) (or part(s) thereof) and/ or the Natura Impact Statement (NIS) may be purchased from the National Transport Authority on payment of the following fees:

EIAR Volume 1	Non-Technical Summary	€15
EIAR Volume 2	Main Text	€150
EIAR Volume 3	EIAR Figures	€200
EIAR Volume 4	EIAR Appendices	€150
NIS	Natura Impact Statement	€90

before 5:30pm on this extended date of 8th December 2023.



Such purchase requests may be sent to National Scéine, Harcourt Lane, Dublin 2, D02 WT20 by calling 1800 303 653.

Any submissions/observations already made to to the Kimmage to City Centre Core Bus Corri in any way by this extension of time.

A notice has also been published for a similar objections relating to the Kimmage to City Scheme Compulsory Purchase Order 2023.

Dated this day 26th of October 2023.

Aidan Gallagher

Head of BusConnects Dublin Infrastructu