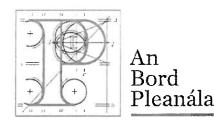
Our Case Number: ABP-317660-23



Cilr. Pat Dunne & Joan Collins TD and Others 10A Old County Road Crumlin Dublin 12

Date: 08 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,

Executive Officer

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6 December 2023

An Bord Pleanála (Strategic Infrastructure Division),
64 Marlborough Street,
Dublin 1,

Kimmage to City Centre Core Bus Corridor Scheme Ref 317660

Dear sirs

Please see attached observation and signatories of 120 residents who are associated with the observation.

Regards

Cllr. Pat Dunne & Joan Collins TD

If you need any assistance, you can contact Joan Collins TD or Clir. Pat Dunne at our constituency office Monday to Friday, 9:30am to 5:30pm at 10A Old County Road, Crumlin, Dublin 12.



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Kimmage to City Centre Core Bus Corridor Scheme Ref 317660

Dear sirs

We are making this observation on the above proposed scheme on behalf of the undersigned (see appendix attached) residents of Kimmage, Crumlin & Terenure who wish to make the following observations on the above proposed scheme. These represent real concerns among Kimmage Crumlin & Terenure residents. In general, we support improving Public Transport in the city and in our surrounding area of Dublin 12 & D6W. Improvements for safer cycling and pedestrian movement are also to be welcomed. However, we as residents wish to point out several of what we see as unintended consequences that are the cause of concern.

The main concern of the residents on the Dublin 12 side of the Lower Kimmage Road is that the restrictions to through traffic at the proposed Bus Gate No1 just north of the Ravensdale junction will force private vehicles and HGVs to detour into the residential areas of Kimmage/Crumlin. We note with concern that there is no attempt in the NTA proposals to mitigate with measures that could control and calm the affected roads.

The proposal for the above-mentioned Bus Gate will effectively turn Lorcan O'Toole Park and Stannaway Road into the main thoroughfare for vehicles travelling to Sundrive, Mount Argus and Mount Jerome and onwards to the canal. These are residential Roads not Main Roads. Stannaway Road itself has several offshoots all of which will be impacted by vehicles using them as rat runs to avoid the inevitable traffic backlogs that will occur on Stannaway. These, roads are Captains, Cashel, Clonard, Durrow, Clonfert, Bangor, Devenish and Ferns. Ravensdale Park itself will bear the brunt of the diverted traffic and the air pollution that it causes.

Currently and before any further impacts of the NTA proposals several residents on both Ferns and Devenish are seeking to have bollards installed as there is currently a high level of rat running with motorists trying to avoid queuing at traffic lights.

We call upon ABP to seek further information from the NTA on how they can mitigate against the increased through traffic as a explained above.

Regarding the proposed closure of Poddle Park at the Ravensdale Junction we call for a plebiscite to be carried out among the residents living on the road. There seems to be different views on the proposals and the residents living there should be given the democratic right to decide the matter. This decision should consider if there is a need for it given that there is within the NTA proposal a cycle lane on the Lr. Kimmage Road

Similarly the proposal to close off Derraravagh, Corrib and Hazlebrook to through traffic is opposed by many residents living there. They believe that this is an extreme measure given that the bus proposed bus gate on the Lr. Kimmage Road is for peak hours only. As suggested for Poddle Park we believe that there should be a plebiscite for residents on this issue.

Another part of the proposals is to create permeability from Sundrive Road thought to Month Argus by removing part of the wall adjacent to the Stone Boat feature. This proposed cycle and pedestrian route is welcomed by the residents of Dublin 12. In opening this gateway, it will bring the facilities of Mont Argus closer to residents, making car journeys to Mount Argus and Mount Jerome less necessary and give local access to the historic Stone Boat feature. We however would like for the proposed cycle lane at this location to continue through Mount Argus onto Mount Jerome cemetery.

Given that part of the Bus Connects project is a redesign and realignment of the current bus routes, with many of the changes taking place in Kimmage/Crumlin we believe that no infrastructural changes including the introduction of Bus Gates should take place until the new bus routes are operational. We believe that it will only become evident of what is required for bus efficiency by observing and monitoring the operation of the new routes,

In relation to the new routes the removal of the 83-bus terminus from Stannaway Avenue will have a negative impact for the residents of the Older Persons housing complexes in Stannaway Court and Lorcan O'Toole Court. We call for the introduction of a minibus service for these older residents many of whom have mobility issues.

Finally, as residents of Dublin 12 & 6W we feel that many of the NTA proposals are to the benefit of people passing through our area and not for the area itself. We therefore ask for this observation to be taken seriously and for our residential area to be protected from the negative impacts of some of the proposals.

Should you decide to grant permission to the NTA for all or some of their proposals it would be therefore imperative that a monitoring system be set up to include residents' engagement with the NTA pre and post introduction of the changes.

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