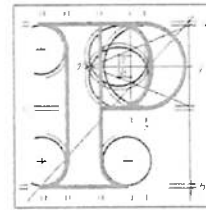


**Our Case Number:** ABP-317660-23

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**An  
Bord  
Pleanála**

Melanie Pine & Others  
50 Clanbrassil Street Upper

**Date:** 15 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](mailto: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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## KIMMAGE TO CITY CENTRE CORE BUS CORRIDOR –

### MELANIE PINE & OTHERS

#### **OBJECTION TO PROPOSED PARKING ALTERATIONS TO CLANBRASSIL STREET UPPER**

The undersigned, resident in numbers 50, 51 and 52 Clanbrassil Street Upper, wish to object strongly to the virtual elimination of parking on Clanbrassil Street Upper as a result of the proposed introduction of the Kimmage to City Centre Bus Corridor. This appears to be a 24/7/365 solution to a peak hour problem.

This is a historic street with a mix of protected and other structures, including a long-established residential use together with business premises including restaurants, shops, a post office, and other service premises.

The current arrangements provide for 11no. designated paid parking spaces in total; 8no. on the west side and 3no. on the east side, which are available at all times. In addition, there is general parking available outside clearway hours i.e. every day between 10 am and 12 noon and between 7 pm and 7 am and all day Sunday.

The proposal is to reduce paid parking from 11no. to 6no. total, all located on the west side on the street only, with no other parking at any time. This will be seriously detrimental to normal day to day life for residents and business premises alike.

In particular, the proposed changes will not allow for deliveries, tradesmen parking for building or renovation (as stated, many of these buildings are protected structures and need ongoing high levels of maintenance), visitor parking etc. The nearest available parking will be in the streets off the South Circular Road which are a) already congested, and b) a minimum of 220 metres to the first official parking space. This is excessively far, for example, for building supplies, shopping, or furniture to be delivered, and it would make it virtually impossible to remove building rubble. It also does not take into account that the majority of properties on the street do not have a driveway and currently rely on the availability of these car parking spaces.

Furthermore it does not take account of the needs of the many older or disabled people living in the street. One resident is 73 years old and has multiple issues with balance and mobility. She relies on supermarket deliveries, meals on wheels, carer parking and the support of other services. She cannot see how these will be able to continue with the virtual elimination of parking. Her usual visitors are also elderly and the distance to available parking will reduce their visits and increase her isolation. It appears that, if this goes ahead, she will have to leave her home of 40 years, where she has brought up her family.

Making life difficult for existing residents and businesses seems contrary to the core principle of good urban planning and the ideal of bringing residential life back to the city. In addition, this is in total conflict with the Living City Initiative which Dublin City Council is promoting in order to 'assist and encourage people to live in the historic inner-city areas of Dublin city', and also to encourage 'the regeneration of retail and commercial districts', given that Upper Clanbrassil Street is clearly designated as one of the Special Regeneration Areas under this scheme.

**SPECIFIC OBJECTION 1**

WE OBJECT TO THE REDUCTION OF PAID PARKING ON THE WEST SIDE OF THE STREET.

We propose that the indicated 6 spaces be significantly expanded to allow for loading and parking. This can readily be accommodated within the plan.

**SPECIFIC OBJECTION 2**

WE OBJECT TO THE ELIMINATION OF PAID PARKING ON THE EAST SIDE OF THE STREET.

We propose the retention of the existing 3 spaces which are currently accommodated within what can be described as a “bulge” or short length of wider road which means that the parking currently is, and could be in the new plan, accommodated without impacting on the traffic plan.

**SPECIFIC OBJECTION 3**

WE OBJECT TO THE ELIMINATION OF PARKING BETWEEN 10 AM AND 12 NOON, BETWEEN 7 PM AND 7 AM AND ON SUNDAYS.

We propose that the existing arrangements be retained; this would not impact on peak time traffic and would greatly improve the ability of businesses and residents to get deliveries and other services. Should this not be possible in full, at least we propose that parking be allowed between 8 pm and 7 am every day and all day Sunday.

MELANIE PINE, 50 CLANBRASSIL STREET UPPER, DUBLIN 8, D08 Y5DC

AOIFE MAGUIRE AND SIMON SEDGEWICK, 51 CLANBRASSIL STREET UPPER, DUBLIN 8

PATRICIA HALL AND EAMONN ALGER, 52 CLANBRASSIL STREET UPPER, DUBLIN 8