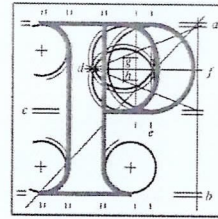


Our Case Number: ABP-317742-23



**An
Bord
Pleanála**

Aoife & Ronan Hayes
76 Patrician Villas
Stillorgan
Co. Dublin
A94 H578

Date: 16 October 2023

Re: BusConnects Bray to City Centre Core Bus Corridor Scheme
Bray to Dublin City Centre.

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,

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Ronan and Aoife Hayes
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Dear Sir/ Madam

We are residents in Patrician Villas, Stillorgan, Co. Dublin and we wish to object to the scarcely believable proposed bus connects work in our estate.

The only reason it is safe to have a housing estate immediately beside one of the busiest roads in the country is the trees that act as a barrier. Our housing estate is full of children who have no exposure to the traffic and who don't even see the traffic on the N11. This insane proposal removes this protection and puts children at a direct risk of escaping on to the N11.

As it is one of the main arteries into dublin city, the level of fumes from traffic is palpable at all times and in particular during busier periods. By removing the trees, our children will be exposed to dangerous levels of pollution which will impact their health. This association between traffic and respiratory illness is proven, even where traffic volumes are significantly less than on the N11. Any proposal to remove these trees will directly impact the health of our children and is a blatant infringement of their basic rights.

It is also noteworthy that there is a thriving ecosystem in the trees and bushes, with birds, squirrels and foxes which this proposal clearly has zero consideration for.

There are many other huge concerns for our residents, with obvious loss of privacy, loss of amenities, loss of biodiversity, loss of property value (which is an infringement of our property rights) increased litter and antisocial behaviour. The list goes on but, being honest, they pale into insignificance when compared to the de facto assault on the health of our children from direct exposure to one of the busiest roads in the country.

All this to move a bus stop by 100m. The mind boggles.

I look forward to hearing from you.

Aoife and Ronan Hayes