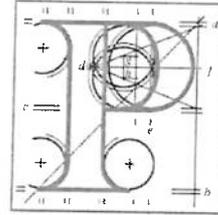


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**An
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Derek & Deirdre McCann
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Date: 11 October 2023

**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.

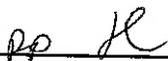
Please note that the proposed road development shall not be carried out unless the Board has approved it or approved it with modifications.

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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To whom it may concern,

We wish to object to the planned compulsory purchase of lands at Patrician villas by the NTA, on the following grounds.

- a) The removal of mature trees and hedging along the front of the estate which border the N11.
- b) The above act as a natural barrier against the consistent noise pollution produced by such a busy road. Our only source of protection.
- c) Also act to diffuse the heavy pollution being emitted by the traffic on this busy road, again our only source of protection.
- d) Removal of precious mature trees and planting, which has been proven to be of considerable benefit to people's mental and physical wellbeing.
- e) Irreversible damage to the natural habitat of urban wildlife, which we have spent the last decade trying to encourage back into the estate.
- f) Loss of land and green space, removing the space where children play and where people gather and rest on a nice day.
- g) Removal of trees, because of the recent and presumed ongoing frequency (according to the EFA) of heavy rainfall, could lead to an increased risk of flooding/flash flooding in the estate.
- h) Removal of trees and shrubs to make pedestrian access from the green, will also increase the inherent danger for local children to potentially run out onto the busy dual carriageway.
- i) The loss of privacy due to the significant increase of foot traffic into this normally quiet estate.
- j) The increase of vehicular traffic into the estate, for set down and collection of bus users is a potential danger to all pedestrians and cyclists in the estate.
- k) The increase of anti-social behaviour, as seen on the inbound bus stop across the dual carriageway, is an obvious eyesore and can be quite dangerous and intimidating especially at night, weekends and public holidays.
- l) The loss of a green view, the removal of the trees will open up an uninterrupted view of the heavy traffic and the 9 storey apartment blocks across the dual carriageway.
- m) Direct access to the bus route will likely lead to non-residents using the neighbourhood as a park and ride facility, making this a frustrating and additional irritation for residents in the future.

- n) The proposed plans of less trees and more traffic will mean Patrician Villas will become less green, less private, more polluted, busier, noisier, more littered, a less safe environment in which to live. The image of Patrician Villas will be irreparably altered under these proposals and will negatively impact the property values in the area.

Please consider the huge impact this will have on our everyday lives and on the close knit community we have built over many years. These proposed changes are causing considerable anxiety and stress to our local community.

Yours Sincerely
Derek and Deirdre McCann.