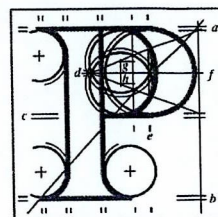


Our Case Number: ABP-317742-23



**An
Bord
Pleanála**

Fiona Connor
68 Patrican Villas
Co. Dublin

Date: 22 September 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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An Bord Pleanála Strategic Infrastructure
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Re: Objection to Compulsory Purchase Order for Patrician Villas, Co. Dublin BRAY TO CITY CENTRE CORE BUS CORRIDOR SCHEME, COMPULSORY PURCHASE ORDER 2023

Dear Sir/Madam,

I am writing to formally object to the Compulsory Purchase Order (CPO) for Patrician Villas in Co. Dublin as part of the Bray to City Centre Core Bus Corridor Scheme, Compulsory Purchase Order 2023. I have several significant concerns regarding this development, which I believe merit careful consideration by An Bord Pleanála. My objections are as follows:

1. **Relocation of Bus Stop:** The proposed relocation of an established bus stop that has served the community for decades lacks a clear rationale. This relocation may disrupt the daily commute of residents and inconvenience public transportation users. I request that a thorough explanation for this change be provided.
2. **Traffic and Carbon Output:** The coexistence of an underpass and an over cross walk in the same area will result in increased traffic congestion and carbon emissions. Due to the new traffic lights proposed, frequent stops along this stretch of road will negatively impact air quality, posing significant health risks to residents, especially individuals with conditions such as COPD, asthma, and infants.
3. **Tree Removal and Environmental Impact:** The removal of mature and semi-mature trees to facilitate the new footpath is of great concern. This action will not only have a detrimental effect on the local environment but also contribute to increased noise pollution, air pollution, and a reduction in biodiversity, affecting the natural flora and fauna of the area.
4. **Park and Ride Concerns:** There is a growing concern that Patrician Villas may become a park and ride location for commuters, leading to a parking nightmare within the estate. Such a scenario could compromise safety, obstruct access to houses, and make access difficult for emergency services. This poses a significant risk to the safety of our residents.
5. **Inadequate Lighting:** The current underpass lacks adequate lighting, which is a major safety concern. Inadequate lighting will contribute to antisocial

behaviour and pose risks to pedestrians using the underpass, as well as residents of Patrician Villas.

6. **Litter and Environmental Impact:** The increased foot traffic resulting from the development will lead to litter and environmental degradation. This would undermine the great efforts of our resident's association, to maintain a clean and pleasant environment.
7. **Loss of Green Area:** The green area taken over by the ramp and steps from the upper crosswalk is an essential space used daily by children in our community. Given the absence of a local playground in the Stillorgan area, this green space holds great importance for our community and our children's well-being.
8. **Quality of Life:** Ultimately, this project threatens to significantly decrease the quality of life for every resident of Patrician Villas during and after development. The adverse impacts on traffic, safety, environment, and community life should not be underestimated.

I kindly request that An Bord Pleanála conducts a comprehensive review of these objections and carefully considers the potential impacts on our community and the environment. I believe that a more holistic assessment of the proposed development, along with exploration of alternative solutions, is necessary before proceeding.

I look forward to your prompt response and hope that my concerns will be given due consideration in the decision-making process.

Yours sincerely,

Fiona Connor