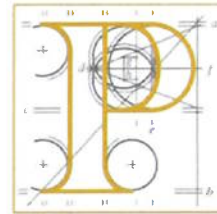


Our Case Number: ABP-317742-23



An
Bord
Pleanála

Frank & Trudy Scott-Lennon
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D18X434

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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Permanent Land Aquisition, Shanganagh Vale and add 3 land map reference numbers 1125 (1).1e,
1125(2).2e, 1125(3).3e**

Mr Gallagher,

We write in strong objection to the proposed opening of the wall directly opposite our living room window as part of the Bus connects project. This is the second time we have objected to this intervention and the key issues remain as follows.

1. The estate currently has a perfectly adequate entrance/exit for vehicular and pedestrian use, we did not request the opening of the wall, nor do we want it.
2. Prior to the current wall being built the houses at the front of the estate were subject to regular vandalism, youth disorder, theft and even a case of arson where a car was burnt out. I believe these instances are a matter of Garda record. Since the wall was built there has been no such incidents and since we arrived in December 2017, we have not had one incident of vandalism, theft, or youth disorder. We firmly believe that the fact of single entrance and exit provides a strong deterrent. My family and our property would be heavily exposed should this opening go ahead as it is directly opposite our living room window. Before the current N11 wall was erected the properties at the front had to erect their own boundary walls and or hedges to protect themselves. All of these boundary protections are in still in place for all of the houses at the front of the estate with the exception of ours. We had chosen to leave our house relatively open as there were no security and safety fears as we are sufficiently distanced from the entrance to the estate. This proposed intervention leaves us massively exposed from a safety and security perspective.
3. The proposed location of the new pedestrian entrance is just around a blind corner, a corner which witnesses excessive speed by a minority of motorists. Should the road crossing take place at this point I would fear for the safety of pedestrians crossing.

4. The proposed location of the new pedestrian entrance is adjacent to the existing driveway of number 33. This driveway and the area surrounding it is quite busy and has regular deliveries and collections to the business which is located at number 33.
5. There are other options to create a link to the N11 bus stop, in particular the use of an existing lane running in between St Lawrences School and Shanganagh Vale. This would only require a minor wall intervention and would be very discreet.

Should it be decided that the land be acquired, and the opening of the wall go ahead we would request that the resident's association and those most affected are consulted with in advance of the intervention. Should this go ahead there are several clear mitigations that would need to be addressed to ensure the safety and security of pedestrians and residents. Examples of such mitigations are, but not limited to, the following.

1. Should the proposed opening go ahead in its current location the safety of pedestrians must be considered with speed ramps put in place either side of a zebra crossing.
2. The opening should be pedestrian only with an entrance structure that only supports pedestrian use and not scooters/bicycles/motorcycles etc. If this is being opened for bus connect purposes, i.e., to support pedestrians getting to the bus quicker, then the entrance should only cater for this purpose and not a short cut for bikes, e-scooters and motorbikes.
3. From a security perspective we would suggest that any potential opening to the wall have security measures associated with it and that a staggered wall be put in place to ensure privacy and noise protection.

Thank you for your consideration on the matter, again we hope that the wall opening does not happen but if it does, we expect residents' association consultation and with ourselves as we are significantly affected by the proposed intervention.

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