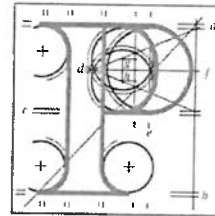


**Our Case Number: ABP-317742-23**



**An  
Bord  
Pleanála**

Ina Knerr  
181 Corbawn Wood  
Shankill

D18 E067

**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.

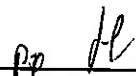
Please note that the proposed road development shall not be carried out unless the Board has approved it or approved it with modifications.

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](mailto:laps@pleanala.ie)

Please quote the above-mentioned An Bord Pleanála reference number in any correspondence or telephone contact with the Board.

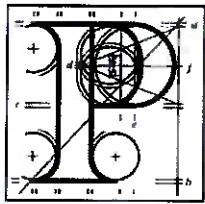
Yours faithfully,

  
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Executive Officer  
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## Observation on a Strategic Infrastructure Development Application

### Observer's details

#### 1. Observer's details (person making the observation)

If you are making the observation, write your full name and address.

If you are an agent completing the observation for someone else, write the observer's details:

(a) Observer's name

Ina Knerr

(b) Observer's postal address

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### Agent's details

#### 2. Agent's details (if applicable)

If you are an agent and are acting for someone else **on this observation**, please also write your details below.

If you are not using an agent, please write "Not applicable" below.

(a) Agent's name

Click or tap here to enter text.

(b) Agent's postal address

Click or tap here to enter text.

## Postal address for letters

3. During the process to decide the application, we will post information and items to you or to your agent. For this **current application**, who should we write to? (Please tick ✓ one box only)

You (the observer) at the postal address in Part 1

The agent at the postal address in Part 2

## Details about the proposed development

4. Please provide details about the **current application** you wish to make an observation.

- (a) **An Bord Pleanála case number for the current application (if available)**  
(for example: 300000)

Click or tap here to enter text.

- (b) **Name or description of proposed development**

Bray to City Centre Core Bus Corridor Scheme / BusConnects

- (c) **Location of proposed development**

(for example: 1 Main Street, Baile Fearainn, Co Abhaile)

Shankill, main street - Bray Road; Co Dublin

Shankill, Corbawn Lane and St Anne's church roundabout, Co Dublin

## Observation details

### 5. Grounds

Please describe the grounds of your observation (planning reasons and arguments). You can type or write them in the space below. There is **no word limit** as the box expands to fit what you write.

You can also insert photographs or images in this box. (See part 6 – Supporting materials for more information).

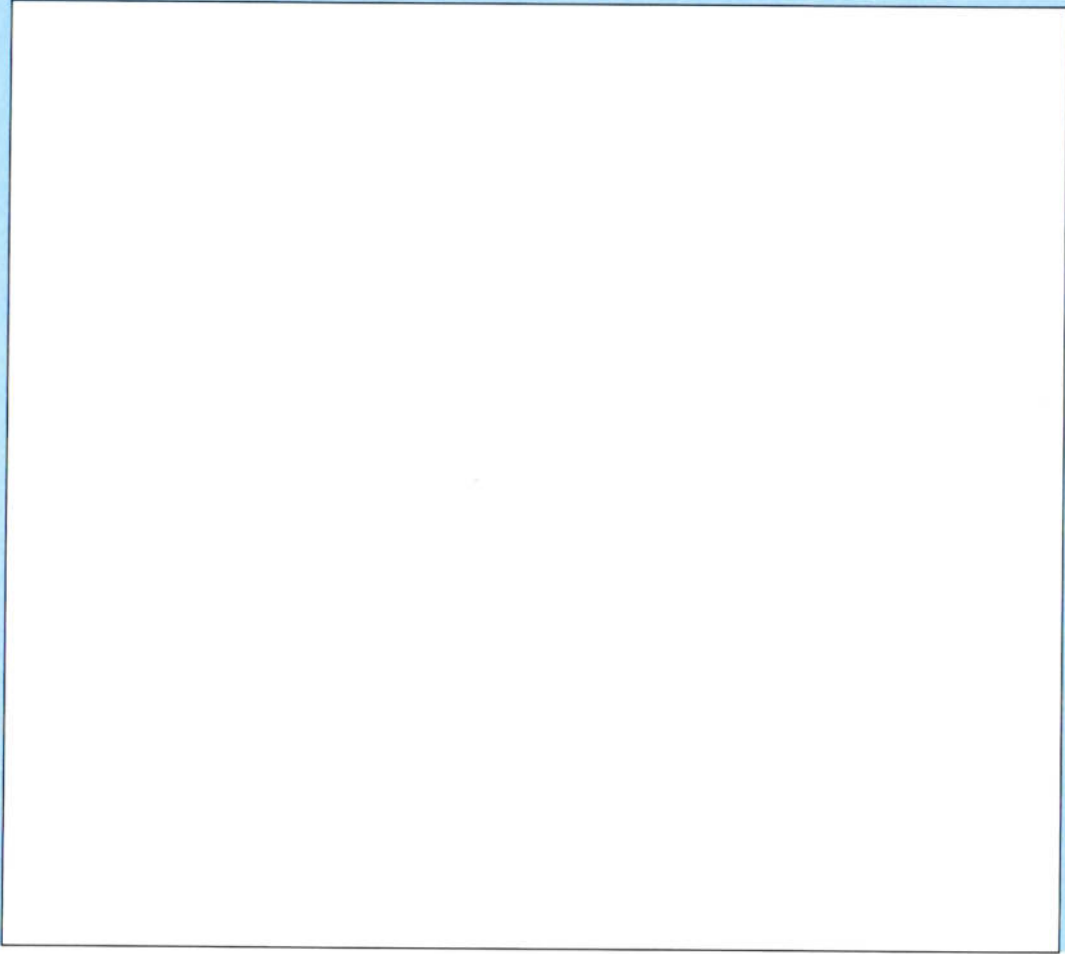
Name and location of the development in question:  
Bus Connect Shankill corridor / Shankill village

Dear Sir or Madam,

I would like to register my objection to the above mentioned BusConnects Core Corridor Bray to City Centre through Shankill village. I would like to put on record the following:

1. Impact on Shankill Village, Community and Landscape: The direct negative impact of the NTA proposal on the local community, including, e.g., local amenities, businesses, road safety for children and vulnerable users, local parking in close proximity to St Anne's Church, along with the overall social destruction of our lively village is extremely concerning. I am also concerned about the loss of a large number of mature trees and of green areas in our village with a hugely negative impact on Shankill, the local landscape, environment, air quality, wild life, quality of life and health.
2. Traffic Congestion in Shankill Estates/Corbawn Area, Health and Safety Concerns: There are changes proposed by the NTA which reflect a worrying lack of understanding of the local infrastructure. This includes, e.g., the proposed closure of one of our main roads, Corbawn Lane, with conversion into a cul de sac. In very close proximity are, e.g., a shopping centre, nursing home, Garda station, the beach, cliffs and coastline. Corbawn Lane provides primary access to these as well as to some of the largest estates in Shankill. The only remaining point of access to all of these would then be a small road, Beechfield Manor. This would not only lead to choking of the local traffic in these estates, but also health and safety concerns due to restricted access for the various emergency services. As a resident in one of the larger estates in Shankill, Corbawn, I am deeply concerned about the suggested closing off of the key access road, Corbawn Lane, and of the destruction of the beautiful roundabout at the St Anne's Church. As a local resident, I am also concerned about the risk of traffic jam in closed up estates. Pollution from cars and buses is emitted directly into the air and atmosphere. This poses severe health risks at every stage of our life, including premature death, but also impacts on climate change. This further explains the growing concerns for Shankill residents, like myself, about increasing air pollution in the village along with the strong objection to the NPA preferred route proposal and its unnecessary destruction of the local infrastructure in Shankill and its green spaces, including St Anne's roundabout. There are environmental-friendly alternatives which have been communicated to the NTA. Furthermore, Shankill already has an excellent bus service and needs to be preserved as a village, with only buses serving Shankill and Bray going directly through the small village. The Bus Connects corridor could stop at the Loughlinstown roundabout, as it can link in there directly with the proposed N11/M11 Bus Priority Interim Scheme.

**5. Grounds**





## Supporting materials

6. If you wish, you can include supporting materials with your observation.

Supporting materials include:

- photographs,
- plans,
- surveys,
- drawings,
- digital videos or DVDs,
- technical guidance, or
- other supporting materials.

You can insert photographs and similar items in your observation details: grounds (part 5 of this form).

If your supporting materials are physical objects, you must send them together with your observation by post or deliver it in person to our office. You cannot use the online uploader facility.

## Fee

7. You **must** make sure that the correct fee is included with your observation.

**Observers (except prescribed bodies)**

- strategic infrastructure observation is €50.
- there is no fee for an oral hearing request

## Oral hearing request

8. If you wish to **request the Board** to hold an oral hearing, please tick the “Yes, I wish to request an oral hearing” box below.

You can find information on how to make this request on [our website](#) or by contacting us.

If you do not wish to request an oral hearing, please tick the “No, I do not wish to request an oral hearing” box.

**Yes, I wish to request an oral hearing**

**No, I do not wish to request an oral hearing**

## Final steps before you send us your observations

9. If you are sending us your observation using **the online uploader facility**, remember to save this document as a Microsoft word or PDF and title it with:

- the case number and your name, or
- the name and location of the development and your name.

This also applies to prescribed bodies sending an observation by email.

If you are sending your observation to us by post or delivering in person, remember to print off all the pages of this document and send it to us.

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**For Office Use Only**

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Date		Date	

**Notes**