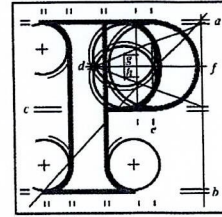


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**Date:** 26 September 2023

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

Dear Sir,

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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**Bray to city centre core bus corridor**

I am a land owner on the proposed corridor and I have engaged on several occasions with the NTA in relation to the planned bus corridor. My property is on the eastern side of Dublin Road, opposite the junction with Stonebridge and the plan proposes to CPO part of my front garden and the entrance to my home. For ease of identification the Eircode is D18K5N8.

I should start by saying that I am a motorist and a cyclist and I have also commuted to work in Dublin city centre on public transport (Dart, Dublin Bus and the St. Kevin's, Glendalough) until I retired two years ago.

I am totally opposed to the planned bus corridor as proposed at present. The plan as proposed will have a detrimental effect on the village of Shankill. The community which has grown substantially over the 35 years that I have lived here and has welcomed the many new residents. It can truly be called an integrated community. The many local community groups have wide participation from all sectors of the community. The Shankill Tidy Towns group is a very good example of this coming together of the entire community and cherishing the village with the support of local businesses. The planned bus corridor will change the entire face of the village and will have a detrimental effect of the community.

The NTA study deduced that the chosen route is not the most advantageous based on environmental considerations. It is disappointing that the environmental aspects of the plans have not been given sufficiently high consideration. The community here in Shankill consider that the preservation of our local environment should be a priority.

I am very surprised at the cycle facilities proposed in the plan. Although the plan was modified it cannot be considered user friendly for cyclists or pedestrians by any measure. The cycle track appears and then disappears on numerous occasions between the Loughlinstown roundabout and the other end of the village. It cannot be considered an improvement on what exists at present. Furthermore, the practice of having both tracks together on the same side of the main road is far from ideal. I expect that this will be ignored by many and may well lead to serious accidents. It will certainly present me and my neighbours with difficulty at busy school times exiting and accessing our homes.

It is also somewhat surprising to learn that Wicklow County Council are advancing their plans for the development of priority bus scheme along the route of the N11/M11. Clearly this plan will provide a speedy bus lane which will not interfere with Shankill village and disrupt the community. In any event the major bottle neck for traffic and busses is at the bridge crossing the Dargle river in Bray and the scheme does not deal with this problem.

The scheme does not find any level of support within the local community and I hope that the proposal as presented for Shankill is rejected

Peadar Ward

*Please acknowledge receipt of my observations*