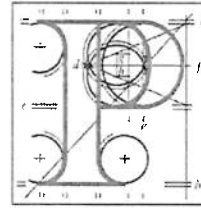


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**An
Bord
Pleanála**

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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 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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We strongly object to the proposed works on the basis

1. The plan has been clearly marked as a BusConnects initiative however when you drill down to the plan you can clearly see that the plan provides for easier car traffic from Bray therefore causing a new car rat-run to avoid the M11 convergence onto the roundabout at Loughlinstown.

The proposal looks for decreased bus usage, therefore suggesting increased car usage. We currently enjoy the 145, 155, 84's and 45A coming through the VILLAGE up to 10 times hourly, the new proposal brings us just the E1 and 211 – these will be oversubscribed at peak times putting local residents back in their cars.

4 lanes of traffic coming into Shankill being narrowed down to 2 lanes (a certain bottleneck) causing more frustration for all road users.

2. Does not comply with DMURS. It is clear to see that safety recommendations are not being followed for urban road design. The extra accommodation/housing being set up at Woodbrook and Shanganagh Castle will cause increases that the VILLAGE will not be capable of dealing with unless the bus frequency remains. Cyclists and pedestrians will also be at serious risk due to the volumes of traffic capable of moving at increased speeds on the 4 lanes.

3. An oral hearing has not been arranged and again this is not in compliance with planning regulations.

Finally we would support relocated bus stops (including the aircoach stop) allowing for recessed stops (particularly at Clairemount, Bradys and St Anns Church) rather than bus lanes as this would considerably assist traffic flow while maintaining the VILLAGE feel of Shankill avoiding the requirement to unnecessarily destroy our environment.

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