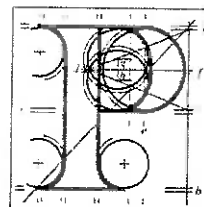


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Our Case Number: ABP-317780-23



**An
Bord
Pleanála**

Brian Holland
34 Woodbank
Dublin 18
D18 WY23

Date: 12 October 2023

Re: Bray to City Centre Core Bus Corridor Scheme Compulsory Purchase Order 2023
Bray to Dublin City Centre

Dear Sir / Madam,

An Bord Pleanála has received your objection in relation to the above-mentioned compulsory purchase order.

In respect of same, please note that in circumstances where

- (i) no objections are received by the Board within the period provided for making objections, or
- (ii) all objections made are subsequently withdrawn, or

(iii) all objections made relate exclusively to matters which can be dealt with by a property arbitrator the Board will inform the local authority as appropriate and, in such circumstances, the local authority can itself confirm the order with or without modification or refuse to confirm the order in accordance with the provisions of section 216 of the Planning and Development Act, 2000, as amended.

Please be advised that those listed on the Compulsory Purchase Order schedule associated with this application are not required to pay the €50 fee associated with this case. As you are listed on the schedule, a refund of €50 will be issued to the debit/credit card used to make payment for this submission.

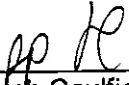
The Board will revert to you in due course in respect of this matter. If you have any queries in the meantime please contact the undersigned officer of the Board at laps@pleanala.ie

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

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Yours faithfully,



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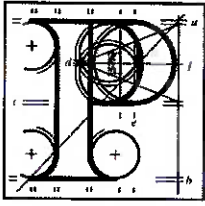
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Observation on a Strategic Infrastructure Development Application

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

Brian Holland

(b) Observer's
postal address

34 Woodbank, Dublin 18, D18WY23

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

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

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

Woodbank, Dublin Road, Shankill, Dublin 18

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).

The proposed CPO of lands at Woodbank involves a significant loss of mature trees. Dublin Road in Shankill is currently a moderately busy, tree-lined suburban road. The road has the Loughlinstown ambulance dispatch centre and has a very frequent bus service at present resulting in already significant traffic noise. The mature trees along the road, and in particular along the property boundary at Woodbank, provide significant noise abatement for residents in both Woodbank and in the Stonebridge development which is behind Woodbank.

The proposed Bus Connects Corridor will not result in any significant change in the frequency with the E1 replacing the existing 145 and 155 services. Currently, there is zero traffic congestion in Shankill. Removing mature trees to add unnecessary bus lanes would be turning what is a suburban village into simply another urban highway seems to be complete overkill in this regard. Plans already exist to add bus lanes to the N11/M11 which bypasses Shankill. Adding bus lanes through Shankill will only encourage commuter traffic to “rat-run” through Shankill village and divert car traffic away from the M11/N11 and instead into a quiet village environment.

Whilst we welcome the overall Bus Connects project, and the proposed improvements in service that will come with the project, we cannot support elements of the plan that will destroy the village of Shankill and the amenity

5. Grounds

of the residents along the Dublin Road in Shankill whilst not actually delivering any improvements to the scheme.

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.

For Office Use Only

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Date		Date	

Notes