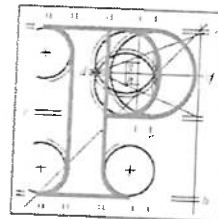


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Date: 13 October 2023

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 letter of 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 - (ii) all objections made are subsequently withdrawn, or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.

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 on this matter in due course.

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.

Yours faithfully,

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SUBMISSION TO PROPOSED COMPULSORY PURCHASE ORDER 2023

SCHEME: BRAY TO CITY CENTRE CORE BUS CORRIDOR SCHEME
APPLICANT: NATIONAL TRANSPORT AUTHORITY (BUS CONNECTS)
RELEVANT PLOT: 1008(1).2i
SUBMISSION FROM: EDMUND RICE SCHOOLS TRUST LIMITED

Dear Sir / Madam,

We, the Edmund Rice Schools Trust Limited, Meadow Vale, Clonkeen Road, Blackrock, Co. Dublin, A94YN96, make the following submission to the proposed Compulsory Purchase Order for the Bray to City Centre Core Bus Scheme (CPO Order 2023).

By letter dated 10th August 2023, we received notification of the proposed Compulsory Purchase Order in respect of a single plot of land identified as follows:

Address: Entrance to Colaiste Eoin & Colaiste Íosagáin, Stillorgan Road, Blackrock,
Co. Dublin
Reference: 1008(1).2i (Temporary) – Extends to 418.5 sq. m (0.04185 ha)



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The aerial photograph overleaf illustrates the approximate location and extent of the plot to be acquired on a temporary basis at Coláiste Eoin & Coláiste Íosagáin, Stillorgan Road. The plot in question extends along the entire ingress and egress of the Coláiste Eoin & Coláiste Íosagáin schools for a distance of approximately 37 meters. This area is utilised by Coláiste Eoin & Coláiste Íosagáin as the sole entry and exit points for pedestrians and vehicles.

It is proposed that this plot will be temporarily acquired as part of the Bray to City Centre core bus corridor scheme for the purpose of facilitating a dedicated bus corridor, along with all ancillary and consequential works associated therewith.

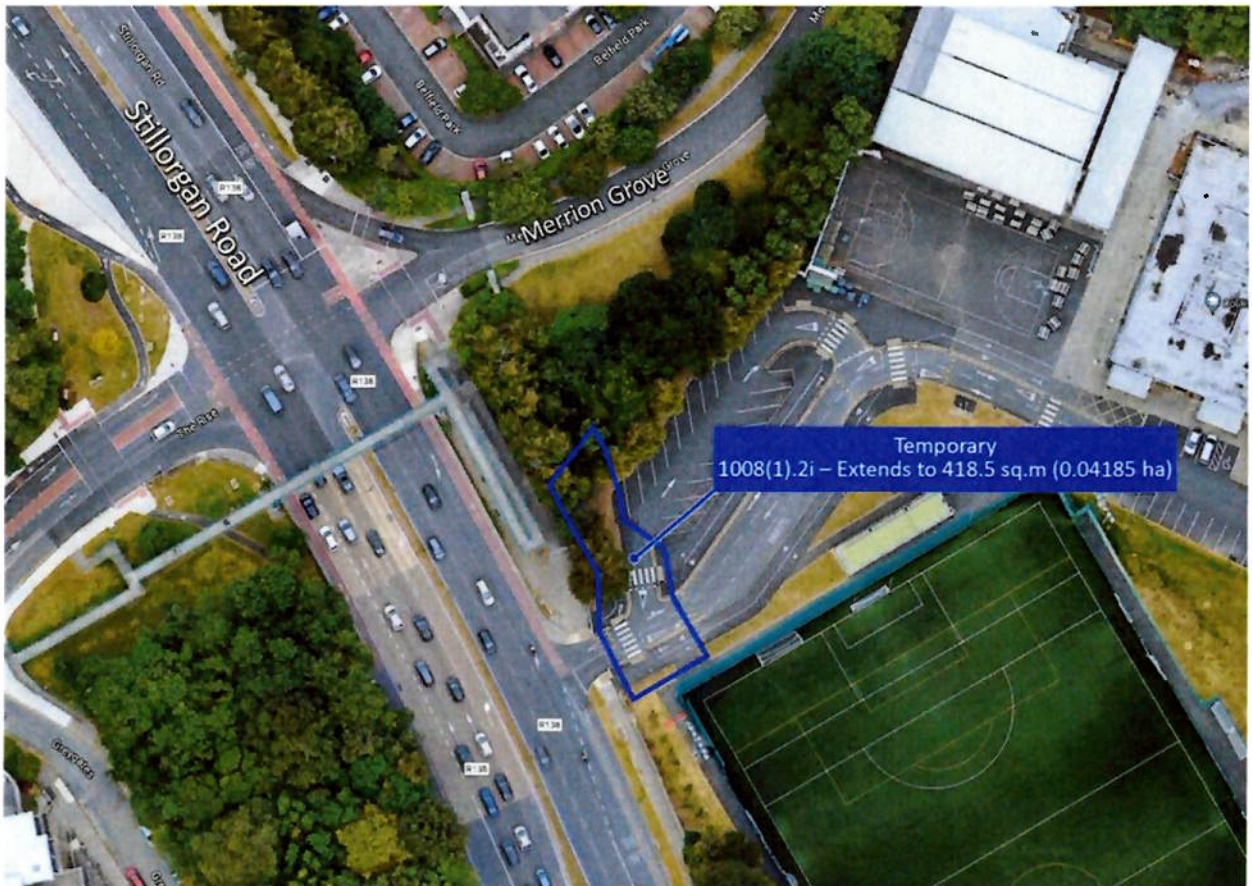
While the plot in question is relatively minor in scale at 418.5 sq. m, the temporary acquisition and the proposed scheme works most likely result in the disruption of the sole access to the schools, which in turn will have consequences for the day-to-day operations of Coláiste Eoin and Coláiste Íosagáin.



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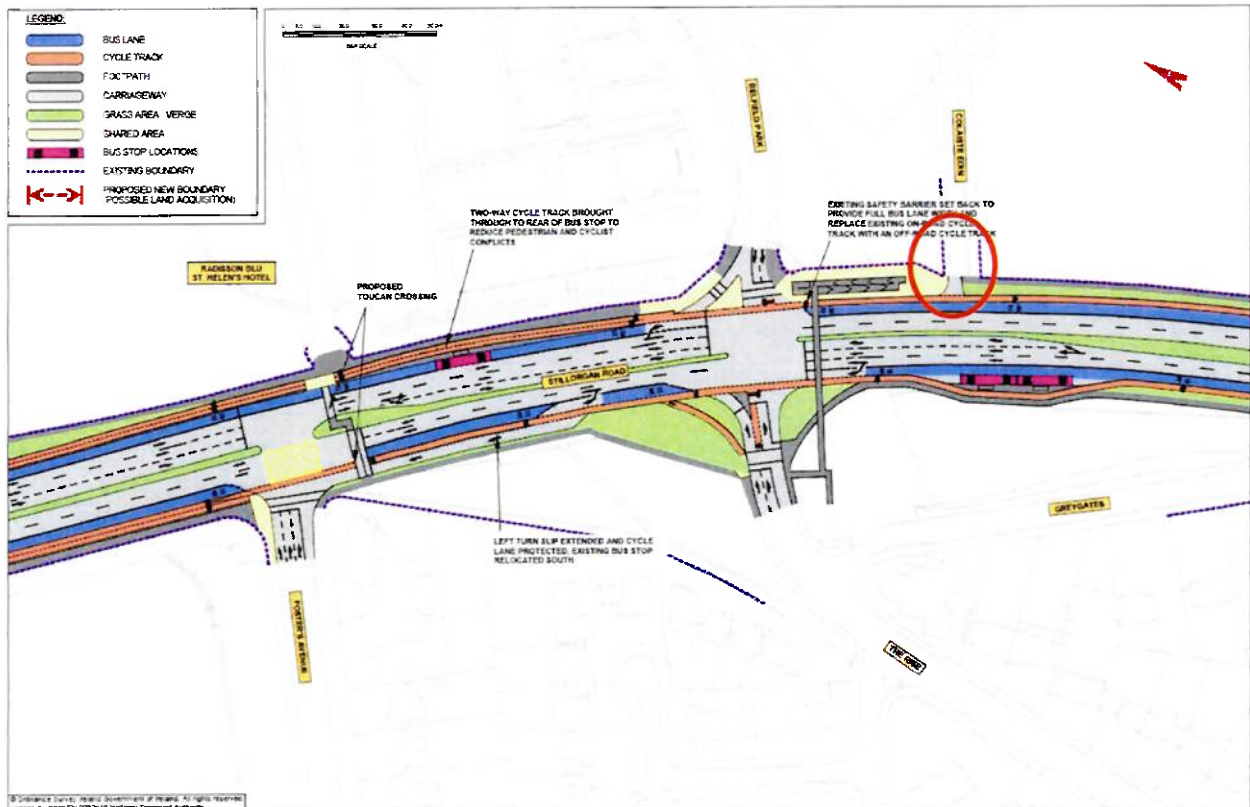




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Proposed Scheme Layout – The entrance to Colaiste Eoin & Colaiste Íosagáin is approximately outlined in red



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Given the scale of the two schools, any disruption to the access of the car park and pedestrian entrance/exit requires to be minimal so as to ensure the continuous and uninterrupted access and operation of the school and its amenities.

In respect of the temporary acquisition area the following clarifications are required:

- 1.) What is the proposed duration for the temporary land acquisition?
- 2.) Can we receive assurance that there will always be continuous and uninterrupted access/egress for to/from pedestrian and vehicular gates to the school?
- 3.) Will there be any trees removed as a result of the temporary land acquisition?
- 4.) That the all-weather pitch situated to the south-east of the temporarily acquired lands will remain unaffected in its entirety.
- 5.) That the car park will be uninterrupted, with no loss of spaces.



Front elevation subject property



Car parking behind entrance to subject property



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Conclusion:

As highlighted above we have concerns regarding the temporary acquisition of the above listed lands at the entrance to Colaiste Eoin & Colaiste Íosagáin, Stillorgan Road.

While we welcome the proposal by the Acquiring Authority implementing Bus Connects, further detailed collaboration is required in order to ensure minimal disruption to the day-to-day operation of Colaiste Eoin & Colaiste Íosagáin.

We would gratefully request An Bord Pleanála to encourage the Acquiring Authority to actively engage with the Edmund Rice Schools Trust and The Board of Management of the two schools regarding the proposed timing and methodology of the works, in order to ensure a smooth process. Undertaking the scheme works with minimal temporary disruption to the operation of the schools is of upmost concern to the Edmund Rice Schools Trust.

We trust our concerns will be taken in consideration by An Bord Pleanála in the assessment of the proposed Compulsory Purchase Order for the Bray to City Centre Core Bus Scheme.

Please keep us informed of the progress in relation to the proposed Compulsory Purchase Order.

Yours sincerely,

Louise Callaghan
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The Edmund Rice Schools Trust