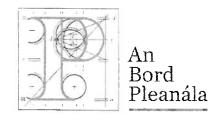
Our Case Number: ABP-318573-23



Michael & Elaine Cully The Pound Road Slane Co. Meath

Date: 22 February 2024

Re: A proposed Road Development comprising of the N2 Slane By-Pass and Public Realm

Enhancement Scheme

Within the Townlands of Slane, County Meath

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,

Eimear Reilly **Executive Officer**

Direct Line: 01-8737184

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Lauren Griffin

From:

Lauren Griffin

Sent:

Thursday 22 February 2024 14:29

To:

Subject:

RE: Slane Bypass Objection

A Chara,

The Board acknowledges receipt of your email, official acknowledgment will issue in due course.

Kind Regards,

Lauren

From: michael cully

Sent: Thursday, February 15, 2024 5:56 PM

To: LAPS < <u>laps@pleanala.ie</u>> **Subject:** Slane Bypass Objection

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An Bord Pleanála 64, Marlborough Street

Dublin 1.

Via Email: sids@pleanala.ie

15 th Febuary 2024

N2 Slane Bypass and Public Realm Enhancement Scheme Elaine and Michael Cully, The Pound Road, Slane Co. Meath CPO Ref: 149a.1

Dear Sirs,

We are property owners impacted by the above road scheme and we have been served with a Compulsory Purchase Order (CPO). Having reviewed the drawings and documentation accompanying same, we wish to object to the confirmation of the Compulsory Purchase Order (CPO) and Environmental Impact Assessment Report (EIAR) on the following grounds:

1. Surplus Land Acquisition

There is no need for the Council to acquire the grass verge outside our <u>boundary.as</u> there seems to be no plans setout for any kerbs & pavements within our vicinity according to Vol.3.

2. Drainage

We are concerned in relation to the impact of the scheme on the drainage of our property due to the possible level of the road outside our property if the road were to be raised at any point which would cause storm runoff into our property.

3. Access & Road layout

We are concerned in relation to the road layout situated between Grasslands Agro and our property. The current layout is dangerous as the road leading out of Slane splits into two lanes which encourages vehicles to speed which

is a Health & Safety issue to myself and my neighbours when indicating into our properties as vehicles will not slow down which there have been multiple near-hit experiences. There is no section available in Vol.3. showing new possible layouts including road markings that would ensure that this Health & Safety matter is dealt with appropriately and would be a welcome addition towards Vision Zero as set out by the Road Safety Authority which would minimise a possible accident in the area.

4. Environmental

Some of the data regarding Appendix 15.4 Protected Fauna seems outdated as the oldest record is from 2011. We are now in 2024 and the landscape is changing due to environmental factors, farming practices etc. Fauna such as Barn owls, Pine martens and a Goldcrest (Regulus regulus) have been observed by myself recently so it would be appropriate that measures including Barn owl boxes be installed within the vicinity etc.

5. Traffic Management

Regarding Vol.4. Appendix 3 Traffic management measures considered Stage 1 sets out the possibility of a Toll on Slane bridge for all vehicles including Heavy vehicles.

The possibility of a Toll at the bridge will lead to vehicles going through Slane to avoid the Toll which seems counterproductive considering targets need to be achieved for Air pollution values. Heavy vehicles such as Busses (Collins bus) require to go through Slane village so there would need to be an exception within the Heavy vehicles ban through Slane for the bus.

6. Other Matters

Such other relevant matters that may arise when more detailed design information is made available.

The information supplied by the Acquiring Authority is incomplete and may change. We reserve the right to include other grounds of objection and to elaborate on the above listed grounds of objection when further information is made available to us by the Acquiring Authority and to tender these at the An Bord Pleanála Hearing. We request that an Oral Hearing be held in relation to the scheme. Yours faithfully,

Michael & Elaine Cully