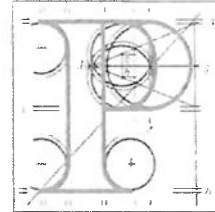


Our Case Number: ABP-318629-23



**An
Bord
Pleanála**

Michael & Elaine Cully
The Pound Road
Slane
Co. Meath

Date: 22 February 2024

Re: Meath County Council Compulsory Purchase (No. 1) Order 2023. N2 Slane Bypass and Public Realm Enhancement Scheme.
County Meath.

Dear Sir / Madam,

An Bord Pleanála has received your email 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(ii) all objections made are subsequently withdrawn, or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 notes this compulsory purchase order also involves the extinguishment of a public right of way.
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.

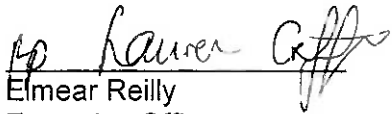
If you have any queries in the meantime please contact the undersigned officer of the Board at laps@pleanala.ie

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

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Yours faithfully,



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Lauren Griffin

From: Lauren Griffin
Sent: Thursday 22 February 2024 14:29
To: michaeljosephcully@gmail.com
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 <michaeljosephcully@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, February 15, 2024 5:56 PM
To: LAPS <laps@pleanala.ie>
Subject: Slane Bypass Objection

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An Bord Pleanála
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Via Email: sids@pleanala.ie

15 th February 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 [boundary.as](#) there seems to be no plans set-out 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