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**By Registered Post** 

An Bord Pleanála 64 Marlborough Street Dublin 1



Date 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2020

Re: An Bord Pleanala No: PL17307652

Dear Sirs,

I am one of the Residents Mornington, Co. Meath. First and foremost I wish to express that I am in favour of a Greenway in our area but I am not in favour of its current suggested Route. There is a proposal to remove a significant portion of my front garden. As you will note my house is close enough to the main road as it currently stands. Please see attached map marking my property.

## Users

- Unsafe to mix residents, cyclists, dog walkers, especially as overseas and domestic visitors as well as locals encouraged to use the Greenway.
- cyclists will avoid the greenway because of pedestrian (especially children) and dog type obstacles. The type of cyclist will continue to use the road which will now be reduced in width.
- For those commuting to/from work or school increases the chance of being involved in accidents especially for young children and families.
- The cycling/walking environment along the route should be pleasant, informative and interesting-not alongside houses.

## Residents

- Each property entrance /exit on the Eastbound traffic lane of the road will be directly onto the greenway increasing the risk of accident due to reduced visibility and greenway traffic coming from both directions.
- No provision to slow down a cyclist or move them away from a property exit entrance.
- There will be a loss of privacy, security and increase in nuisance/crime.
- The affected property owners do not want nor can afford to loose part of their gardens/trees /hedgerows/property.
- Two buses passing each other will be very difficult due to the traffic lane being reduced to 3 metres
- Exiting your property to head Eastbound will involve crossing into the far side traffic lane of the road due to the crease to 3 metres per traffic lane.

I am a Pensioner who has lived in my home for many years. The thought that a large piece of my garden and parking area being taken for the Greenway horrifies me. Three years ago I put in new hedging on the front side of my garden and it is growing well. The planted garden at the front which has taken years to establish would be destroyed and I have no possibly to put in a new garden area, as there would not be enough space to do so.

- 1. The site I am living on is adequate but to reduce the square footage would seriously effect re-sale value in the future, should I chose to sell.
- 2. My privacy would be greatly impinged on as users of the greenway would in fact be uncomfortably close to my front door.
- 3. Noise pollution is a problem already and the proximity of people talking, cycling, making noise would add to an already very noisy and polluted Road.
- 4. My parking area would be reduced and would be more difficult to navigate.
- 5. Litter would be discarded on the Greenway Route and dogs fouling would increase.
- 6. The proposal for a greenway must meet a criteria "it must be scenic route, there must be things to see and do and must be safe and workable for shared users". Having a section of greenway outside a residential area does not fit this criteria.
- 7. As the suggested square footage being sought, my property will be graduated across the front of my house, it will not be ethically pleasing.
- 8. Since this proposed developments was launched, it has been a constant source of worrying an increasing anxiety for me. The stress of this ongoing situation and uncertainty is affecting my sleep pattern and my day to day living.

Hoping you can address the issues above satisfactorily.

## Yours faithfully,