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To: An Bord Pleanála,  
64 Marlborough Street, Dublin 1, D01V902.

**Re: Construction of the Boyne Greenway Drogheda to Mornington, Co. Meath & Co. Louth.**

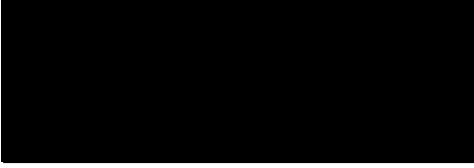
To whom it may concern,

I am writing to object to the construction of the proposed Greenway from Drogheda to Mornington. I have lived in [REDACTED] since the age of 4, I am now 20. Greenways are meant to enhance an area, and add value to the quality of life for the community, and residents, and this proposal does not. I am objecting on the grounds below:

- As a 20-year-old young man, I am acutely aware of how important it is to mind our world, our nature, and our climate. The area I live in is a Boyne Estuary Special Protection Area (SPA) for wild birds & Special Area of Conservation (SAC) and over 50% of the proposed Greenway encroaches on these European protected sites leading to significant damaging impact on biodiversity, birdlife and wildlife. The proposed Greenway beside the Boyne Estuary is a threat to biodiversity in the area and does little to mitigate the future effects of climate change. Hedgerows, habitats, fauna flora will be destroyed in an effort to create a new Greenway decimating the "natural" green area already in existence.
- The movement of the boundary wall in [REDACTED] by up to one metre, [REDACTED] the boundary wall, will result in a considerable loss of green open space currently used as a safe play area for children. [REDACTED] it is a safe area, and losing a metre means less safe green space for the children to play.
- The relocated boundary wall will bring traffic and pedestrians closer to my home and other homes, resulting in an increase in local ambient noise levels, and traffic pollution.
- The increase of walkers and visitors, on a main road, [REDACTED] and in a residential community in a highly densely populated area, will increase the potential for Health and Safety risks, including accidents, compensation, litter and crime.
- The bus lay-by, on the Westbound traffic lane, outside [REDACTED] entrance will disappear. I currently don't drive, and use public transport.
- There are no Parking or other amenities provided. Thus, Greenway users will be forced to park in the dunes, on the roadway or [REDACTED] with obvious environmental damage and disruption to existing residents.
- The proposed Greenway will be adjacent to the R151 (Mornington Bridge to Tower Rd), a busy regional road serving the town of Drogheda & the neighbouring villages of Bettystown & Laytown. The road carries considerable traffic at present and is used by commuters, buses, trucks, vans, cyclists, pedestrians and business daily.

Putting a Greenway alongside this busy road is unsafe and unsuitable, unattractive and contrary to the Greenway objectives. I hope that An Bord Pleanála take these objections on board and force Meath County Council to look at other routes for this Greenway.

Yours sincerely



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