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Re: Construction of the Boyne Greenway Drogheda to Mornington, Co. Meath & Co. Louth – observation on the implications of the proposed development for the proper planning and development of the area concerned.

Dear Sir/Madam,

I refer to the above and to my previous online submission to Meath Country Council (ref MH-C22-11, 27.09.2019).

I would like to offer my general support to this proposed greenway project, but I do have some general observations.

- 1) there is an incessant appetite to build more residential developments in this area, so please show how this proposal will cope with increased volumes in the future.
- 2) The raised table junctions should be minimised and properly constructed. I raised this point in my earlier submission and I see no reference which addresses my point. Poorly constructed, these are a total and utter hindrance to emergency vehicles. Take for example the ones on the Bettystown/Laytown Road between Brookside and the schools. These seriously impede ambulances and fire engines and vehicles must come to an almost halt position. I have had serious surgery in recent years and am lucky the issue was mended while I am younger. If I, or anyone needs an ambulance in the future and it must drive across 5,6,7 I do not know how many of poorly designed/constructed raised table junctions/ramps along a key route to the only major hospital in the area, surely this is not in the public interest. Remember the TV adverts saying "every second counts"! Therefore, while the proposed greenway is for the public good, impeding the speed of access to a hospital is not, and I would urge you to ensure that the design and construction of these tables is proper.

I trust you will take my observations into account. I do look forward to see this project come to fruition.