

CPG-030648-20.

Construction of the Boyne Greenway Drogheda to Mornington, Co Meath & Co Louth

An Bord Pleanála,
64 Marlborough Street,
Dublin 1, DO1 V902 ,

AN BORD PLEANÁLA

LDG- _____

ABP- _____

08 SEP 2020

Fee: € _____ Type: _____

Time: _____ By: Post

Dear Sir

Proposed Boyne Greenway – Drogheda to Mornington – Planning Application

Regarding the Route Option as of Aug 2019 ,I would like to make Submissions

My Main Concerns

1. The proposed route ,means taking a lot of my front garden , I have a very small back garden ,so this would be a large chunk of my garden, which would mean removing mature trees & shrubbery which aid the drainage of my garden, (the reason this is so important is because all around my property the land has been raised ,a house both sides & a housing estate at the back ,also the road has been substantially raised & a dyke was also removed & as you probably know the area has been previously flooded. So my house is surrounded by higher ground, leaving it at risk of flooding.

Bringing the road nearer to my house ,will also infringe on my privacy & it will be a lot noisier & overlooked by passerbys as my house is on lower ground, with the busy road being so close. This also worries me ,as there is a greater risk of safety/security& nuisance concerns. As an older person living on their own ,this is a great concern to me, I am deeply stressed by this.

I will have loss of light due to replanting hedging closer to home , my trees probably wont be able to be replanted being so close to the house for structural reasons & the air pollution will be higher around my home with fumes from cars being so close to my home.

2. The route sadly poses threats to the conservation area SAC as it is adjacent to & encroaches the boyne Estuary special protection Area SPA for wintering birds also, over 50% of this proposed walkway encroaches on these European sites .it is also a threat to biodiversity in the area .

3. I have never heard of a greenway being put in a residential area , the safety of everyone using this is greatly undermined, as so many houses & businesses lead out onto it.

4. The Natural habitat of tower road will be lost ,such as trees ,hedges ect .

5. The proposed greenway will pass by a heavy industrial zone ,which includes _____ treatment plant, not exactly what you want to see or smell on a greenway.

6. traffic is busy & will be even busier due to new housing estates in Donecarney & the proposed colpe housing.

7. The idea of a greenway is usually a low traffic area ,which this route is definitely not. This is a busy regional road serving the town of Drogheda & neighbouring villages , this road is regularly used by trucks, commuters ,cars , vans & buses which run every 20 minutes.

There are no parking facilities or public amenities .

This beach also has no lifeguard & meets the boyne river ,making it not the safest place for children.

I think a greenway is a great idea if put in a proper place , unfortunately I don't think this route is the place .

There are numerous tasks that could be completed if public funding is available for the area.

- 1) proper carpark
- 2) safe footpath
- 3) protecting the dune area
- 4)a pedestrian crossing

Also

The road running from Cople cross would more suited as there is more green areas & isn't as narrow or congested as mornington [REDACTED]

Kind Regards

A very worried resident,
[REDACTED]

AN BORD PLEANÁLA

08 SEP 2020

LTR DATED _____ FROM _____

LDG- _____

APP- _____