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

To whom it may concern,


I wish to object to the above planning application on a number of grounds.

1. I do not want to lose a significant portion of my front garden.
I moved from [REDACTED] to live in a more rural area in a detached house on a large plot. I spent a very large sum of money laying a proper driveway and I have a mature hedgerow. Losing a large portion of my garden would have a severe impact on my privacy as there is a busy footpath (and possible greenway) and a bus stop outside my house.
2. Traffic
There will be a detrimental impact on me and my local community in Mornington during the lengthy construction of a greenway. If the greenway goes ahead the traffic problems would continue and all the traffic squashed onto a small road. In addition to this it will be extremely dangerous for residents leaving their driveways and driving across a greenway with pedestrians, cyclists etc.
3. No Parking
A greenway by its nature encourages people to walk or cycle on it. This usually means that people park their vehicles at the start or finish of the greenway. Where is the parking in Mornington? There are no plans for a car park at the end of the greenway, nor is there space to plan one. The dunes by Maiden’s Tower are already being destroyed by cars and 4WD vehicles driving through them and leaving litter behind them. [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] are narrow roads which are already busy with residents cars. How can residents be expected to cope with an influx of additional traffic?
4. Boyne Estuary Special Protection Area (SPA) for wild birds and Special Area of Conservation (SAC)

The Natura Impact study showed that noise can have a significant impact on the protected birds. Studies included noise from traffic, the train, walkers and other environmental noise. The nature of a successful greenway means that it will encourage people to use it. This will create constant noise from pedestrians which will have a negative impact on the nesting birds.

Although the construction of the greenway is not meant to occur during the nesting season, I find it hard to believe that there won't be a hugely detrimental impact on the natural environment.

For these reasons, I am strongly against the Boyne Valley Drogheda to Mornington greenway. If the planning application is successful I will be seeking legal advice to contest any attempt to take any of my land.

I would like to be advised of the success or failure of the planning application. I can be contacted at the above address, or by email: 

Yours sincerely,

