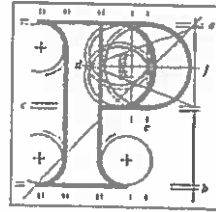


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Our Case Number: ABP-307652-20



An
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Pleanála

Date: 26th May 2022

Re: Construction of the Boyne Greenway, pedestrian and cycleway linking Drogheda Town in Co. Louth to Mornington Village in Co. Meath
Townlands at Ship Street in Drogheda, Co. Louth to Mornington Village in Co. Meath

Dear Sir / Madam,

An Bord Pleanála has received your recent submission in relation to the above mentioned proposed development and will take it into consideration in its determination of the matter.

Please note that the proposed development shall not be carried out unless the Board has approved it with or without modifications.

If you have any queries in relation to the matter, please contact the undersigned officer of the Board.

Please quote the above mentioned An Bord Pleanála reference number in any correspondence or telephone contact with the Board.

Yours faithfully,

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REGARDING:- Construction of the Boyne Greenway Drogheda to Mornington, Co. Meath & Co. Louth" AN BORD PLEANÁLA REF ABP-307652-20.

Dear Sir

I believe that the proposed development quoted above should not go ahead in its current format because:-

- It will severely impact wildlife by impairing the ability of wetland birds to feed and roost on the southern side of the mudflats and wetlands beside the proposed walkway development.
- It will result in damage to the coastal dune system as at its end it will "dump" walkers onto this delicate coastal sand dune system – one of the finest in the country.
- The roadway beside much of the proposed development is narrow and even the current density of traffic is likely to cause a risk to proposed boardwalk users.
- It will result in the loss of resident's gardens and associated nuisance to local residents and undoubtedly the cost associated with Compulsory Purchase Orders for such properties.

As it is, the present plan has the potential to destroy parts of the Boyne estuary as a feeding site for wild birds and severely damage the Coastal dune system from Mornington to Bettystown as a result of pressure by humans, If there is to be a Greenway to Bettystown from Drogheda it should turn south from the estuary along the "Mill Road" or else, less favourably onto, the road by the "New" Church in Mornington, through Donacarney and onwards to reach Bettystown.

. 17 May 2022