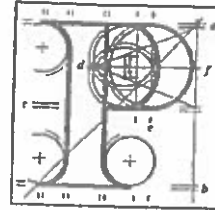


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Our Case Number: ABP-307652-20

Your Ref: Protect East Meath Limited



An
Bord
Pleanála

Date: 30th 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,

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,

Kieran Somers
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20 May 2022

To: An Bord Pleanála (bord@pleanla.ie)

Re: JP17.307652

Applicant: Meath County Council

Proposed Development: Construction of the Boyne Greenway, pedestrian and cycleway linking Drogheda Town in Co. Louth to Mornington Village in Co. Meath

Development address: Townlands at Ship Street in Drogheda, Co. Louth to Mornington Village in Co. Meath

Date of application: 17 July 2020

Name of Observer:

Address of Observer

Name of Agent

Address of Agent

Dear Sir or Madam

On behalf of _____, I have been instructed to make the following observation on the above planning application.

1. A greenway comes within the statutory definition of a road. This greenway is in excess of 2km and therefore EIA is mandatory. No EIAR has been submitted with the application or with the further information and it is therefore invalid. The NIS doesn't substitute for the EIA since EIA examines all the significant effects on the environment and their interactions as well as monitoring and alternatives.

2. It is contrary to the Habitats Directive to construct parts of the proposed greenway within the SAC and SPA. This would have the effect of reducing the geographical extent of the relevant habitats which have been set down in EU legislation. The Board therefore lacks the jurisdiction to grant permission for the project. In the alternative the Board must conclude that there would be a significant adverse effect on the integrity of the affected European Sites.

This observation is filed by email (bord@pleanala.ie). Please acknowledge receipt.

Yours sincerely