

Date: 31st 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 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,

Kieran Somers Executive Officer

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19th of May 2022

Secretary

An Bord Pleanala,

64 Marlborough Street,

Dublin 1.

Re: Construction of Boyne Greenway- Drogheda to Mornington, Co Meath Ref: ABP 307652-

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Dear Sir,

I wish to object in the strongest terms to the construction of the above boardwalk. <u>None</u> of the residents of Tower Road are in favour of this development along what has now become a very busy road. No doubt many of my neighbours will write in to voice their objections from devaluation of their properties, the footfall through the dunes and resultant damage, those that will lose sections of their gardens and the resultant loss of privacy, the damage to the SAC and its biodiversity.

We already know the disruption a board walk will bring. Sir, I grew up on Tower Road in the 1970's to 1990's and prior to the increase in the frequency of the buses each Summer, we were subjected to hordes of people walking out from Drogheda to the beach during the good weather. We were subjected to noise at all hours; rubbish was thrown into our gardens and people relieved themselves up against our garden walls.

Any of the people who are in favour of this boardwalk are from outside our area, therefore will suffer no impact from the establishment of the boardwalk. I witnessed people canvas support for this boardwalk in shopping centres in Drogheda, getting young people to sign up who had no idea what they were signing, to bolster their numbers supporting the boardwalk. One of my own work colleagues was circulating an email to garner support, she was given to understand that no domestic residents would be affected directly by the boardwalk and was annoyed by the misinformation about the impact of this development.

I know of no other boardwalks which share the road with articulated trucks, buses passing every 15 minutes, as well as the huge number of cars and motorcycles. Tower Road was a safer road years ago, but it has become a very dangerous road with all the traffic, it took years to get our section of road rezoned to a lower speed limit and still there are persistent flagrant violations of this limit.

I am a mental health professional and I have witnessed first hand the distress and anxiety this proposed development has caused my neighbours and family. There are no positives for any of the residents of Tower Road with the development of this board walk and I appeal to An Bord Pleanala to listen to my appeal and my neighbours to refuse permission for the development. I urge you to come to Tower Road and witness the high volumes of traffic and imagine the difficulties residents will have in entering and exiting their own properties. For the wellbeing of the residents of Tower Road, I ask you not to grant permission for the boardwalk to proceed.

Yours sincerely