

**ABP Templeogue/Rathfarnham to City Centre Core Bus Corridor Scheme Status Update/Note to be issued to Public Reps & Community Forum Members 18.04.2023**

Dear Public Representative/ Community Forum Member,

We are emailing you to provide a status update in relation to the Core Bus Corridors.

This week, the National Transport Authority (NTA) gave notice of its application under Section 51(2) of the Roads Act 1993 (as amended) to An Bord Pleanála for approval in relation to a proposed road development consisting of the construction of the **Templeogue/Rathfarnham to City Centre Core Bus Corridor Scheme**.

For information, a small number of changes have been made to this scheme following consideration of the submissions received during the third round of public consultation (at the end of 2020) and these are summarised below.

- Provision of shuttle signal system Mount Pleasant Avenue;
- Modifications to Highfield Road / Rathmines Road Upper junction;
- Lennox Street junction modified to pedestrian & cycle access only;
- Removal of 1 of 2 inbound traffic lanes on Camden Street upper over short section to facilitate cycle tracks;
- Minor updates to loading bays & parking;
- Slight adjustment to inbound bus gate south of Terenure Cross to avoid need for land take;
- Layouts of all bus stops enhanced and some bus stop locations / layouts have been optimised to allow better connectivity for bus passengers;
- Refined junctions and landscaping throughout.

A copy of the application documentation may be viewed and downloaded free of charge at: [www.templeoguerathfarnhamscheme.ie](http://www.templeoguerathfarnhamscheme.ie) . Please note all previous documents regarding BusConnects are still available on [www.busconnects.ie](http://www.busconnects.ie)

Submissions/observations on this scheme may be made in writing to the Board at **An Bord Pleanála (Strategic Infrastructure Division), 64 Marlborough Street, Dublin 1, D01 V902** between Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> April and Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> June 2023.

Any submissions/observations must be accompanied by a fee of €50 and must be received by the Board not later than **5.30 p.m. on the 20<sup>th</sup> June 2023**. This fee will not apply to certain prescribed bodies including those specified in Section 51(3)(b) of the Roads Act 1993 (as amended) or to landowners and others with a legal interest in land who are objecting to compulsory acquisition of land in which they have such an interest in a compulsory acquisition case.

Submissions/observations can also be made on the An Bord Pleanála website at the following address: <https://www.pleanala.ie/en-ie/observations>

It is our intention to submit the schemes on a phased basis with the next three schemes likely to be submitted in the order shown below:

- Tallaght/Clondalkin to City Centre CBC Scheme;
- Kimmage to City Centre CBC Scheme;
- Ringsend to City Centre CBC Scheme.

As each scheme is submitted for approval to An Bord Pleanála, the process of public notifications in newspapers and online will be repeated.

Yours Sincerely,

BusConnects Team