ABP Kimmage to City Centre Core Bus Corridor Scheme Status Update/Note to be issued to Public Reps & Community Forum Members 27.07.2023.

Dear Public Representative/ Community Forum Member,

We are emailing you to provide a status update in relation to the Core Bus Corridors specifically the Kimmage to City Centre Core Bus Corridor Scheme.

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 **Kimmage 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.

- The proposed cycle route at Poddle Park and Mount Argus is revised.
- Public Realm proposals at various private landing areas are revised.
- Further rationalisation of bus stop locations, with some bus stops relocated or removed to achieve a better spacing between stops, while also ensuring that each stop is sited in the best location to serve surrounding neighbourhoods.
- Landscaping updated throughout; and
- Cycle facilities have been further optimised

A copy of the application documentation may be viewed and downloaded free of charge at www.kimmagescheme.ie. Please note all previous documents regarding BusConnects are still available on 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 1st August 2023 and Tuesday 26th September 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 **26**th **September 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 two schemes likely to be submitted in the order shown below:

- Ringsend to City Centre CBC Scheme;
- Bray 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