

IN THE MATTER OF AN APPLICATION TO
AN BORD PLEANÁLA

FOR APPROVAL OF (I) THE N6 GALWAY CITY RING ROAD
PURSUANT TO SECTION 51 OF THE ROADS ACT 1993 (AS
AMENDED); (II) THE N6 GALWAY CITY RING ROAD
MOTORWAY SCHEME 2018; and (III) THE N6 GALWAY CITY
RING ROAD PROTECTED ROAD SCHEME 2018

ABP Ref. ABP-302848-18 and ABP-302885-18

ORAL HEARING

STATEMENT OF EVIDENCE

Addendum to Responses to Engineering, Need for
the Project, Alternatives Considered and Material
Assets Non-Agriculture
Objection/Submissions

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- 1.01 The following objection/submission references were omitted from the Engineering BoE but the responses to the objections/submissions raised were already fully addressed in the evidence which I presented in respect of (i) Need for the Proposed Road Development, (ii) Alternatives Considered, (iii) Impacts on Businesses and Commercial Properties, (iv) Inadequate consultation, (v) Pedestrian and Cycle Facilities, (vi) Boundary Treatment to Retained Lands, (vii) Excessive Permanent Land Acquisition, (viii) Access during construction, (ix) Light pollution, (x) Compulsory Acquisition of Lands, (xi) Right of Way, (xii) Inadequate continuity of services, (xiii) Loss of potential site/future development, (xiv) Inconvenience and safety concerns with associated building works.
- Ob_116.2, Ob_521_O_517.14_04, Ob_666.01, Ob_O_696.21, Ob_668, Ob_695, Ob_729, S_073.2, S_075; S_076, S_068, S_074,
- 1.02 Add objection/submission reference Ob_666.01 to Paragraph 4.11.1 of Eileen McCarthy's Brief of Evidence
- 1.03 Ob_666.01 & Ob_668: Add the following specific responses in respect of *Boundary Treatment to Retained Lands* to Paragraph 4.11.8 of Eileen McCarthy's Brief of Evidence:
- Plot 666: The existing boundary for the property shall be retained as much as practicable. Where it is proposed to remove the boundary wall, a new stonework wall in accordance with GCRR-SK-C-001 will be provided. The mature planting will not be affected.
 - Plot 668: It is proposed to construct a 1.2m stone wall along the boundary of the N83 Tuam Road.
- 1.03 Add objection/submission reference Ob_695 to Paragraph 4.12.1 of Eileen McCarthy's Brief of Evidence
- 1.04 Ob_695: Add the following specific response in respect of *Excessive permanent land acquisition* after Paragraph 4.12.59 of Eileen McCarthy's Brief of Evidence:
Ob_695: The lands had been proposed to construct the Parkmore Link Road. With the modification to the Parkmore Link Road this issue does not arise as these plots are removed from the Motorway Scheme.
- 1.05 Add objection/submission reference Ob_666.01, Ob_729, S_076 to Paragraph 4.14.1 of Eileen McCarthy's Brief of Evidence
- 1.06 Add the following specific responses in respect of *Access provision post construction* to Paragraph 4.14.10 of Eileen McCarthy's Brief of Evidence:
- Plot 666.01: Adequate sightlines to allow safe access and egress from the property onto N83 Tuam Road are provided. A layout of the City North Business Park Junction is shown on Figure 1.10.19 of Appendix A.1.13 of the RFI. Concerns regarding traffic are addressed in the Traffic Statement of Evidence.
 - Ob_729: Access will be provided off access road 15/05. A replacement gate will be provided on this access road.
 - S_076: Access is provided to this property off access road AR 13/04. Access is not provided off City North Business Park Link as it is necessary to protect the capacity of this key link.
- 1.07 Add objection/submission reference S_074 to Paragraph 4.22.1 of Eileen McCarthy's Brief of Evidence.

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Add the following specific responses in respect of *Inconvenience and safety concerns with associated building works* after Paragraph 4.22.17 of Eileen McCarthy's Brief of Evidence:

S-074: Relevant haul routes are shown on Figure 7.002 of the EIAR. Proposed haul routes are along existing public roads and will not affect intercommunal greenways and rights-of-way. Local housings estates such as Tirellan Heights and Ballinfoyle Park will not be used for access to or from site. As the reconfiguration of the Kirwan Roundabout Junction is currently in progress (as of February 2020), the two projects will not affect one another, and further traffic delays/inconvenience is not envisaged. The landowners' rights of way on the Menlo Castle Bóithrín will remain unaffected.