

# Submission Details

## Submitter

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Note

The Hill Ballymahon Co. Longford N39K5X0 9th May 2023 Re. N55 Ballymahon Main Street Improvement works To whom it may concern, Please note my objections to the revised scheme at the bridge in Ballymahon where the previously agreed upon roundabout is being replaced with traffic lights. Land acquisition requires two areas of our property. I object strongly as a resident of the Hill area and property owner of Bridge House on the following grounds. 1. I feel the introduction of traffic lights will have a very negative impact on both our properties. There will be a major privacy issue as cars will be lined up outside our front window & door. This will also cause severe access/exit to our parking behind our house. There will be a huge environmental impact with noise and air pollution being increased substantially. Traffic flows relatively freely there at the moment most of the time. I have serious concerns about traffic congestion which will affect our rental property adversely. It is currently a Brazilian goods shop and services a huge number of people in our town. The lack of parking outside will cause serious decline. It is also a residential property with a family living there. Traffic lights outside the front door and removal of parking will negatively impact it. 2. I have major concerns about the safety of cyclists which will be catered for on a cycle lane that finishes in the town. The current set up seems to adequately provide for the actual real number of cyclists. The very wide footpaths could accommodate cyclists safely. 3. I fear for a decline in shopping & other facilities as cars are clearly being directed out of town. This will cause a huge decline in amenities in our native town. 4. The AASR report by Enviroguide contains a poor picture (Page 9, figure 2) of the site which is a few years old and does not reflect the site today. The entry and exits are not marked, it is clearly out of date. 5. I would like more detail regarding how close to Bridge House the works are as it looks like our walls will be affected. The drawings are quite unclear. 6. I am in favour of a roundabout which would ensure free flowing traffic to accommodate those of us who live and work in the area as well as the visitors we welcome enthusiastically. We oppose traffic lights because we feel they are really not needed and do not meet the needs of the majority of road users in the town. 7. It is vital to the town that two lanes of traffic are maintained when turning right to and from Athlone. Reducing these two lanes to one lane is ludicrous & will certainly hamper public safety. The junction could be easily improved by simply widening the Athlone Road approach slightly to fully accommodate 2 lanes one turning left & one right. Yours faithfully, Inez Finn

## In relation to application

Application Number	PT8LD15
Applicant Name	Longford County Council
Development Address	N55 Ballymahon Main Street

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