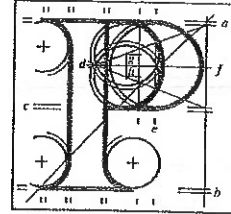


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An
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Pleanála

Emma Spelman

Date: 28 October 2021

Re: Park development project at the Racecourse Park
Located between Baldoyle and Portmarnock, Co. Dublin

Dear Sir / 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,

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Section 177AE: Application to An Bord Pleanála - Racecourse Park Development Project

Dear Sir/Madam,

My observation is in relation to the skate park/teenager adventure area. I understand the need for such areas however my concern is with regard to its close proximity to our homes, This is akin to having a skate park in one's front garden. I urge you to reconsider its location. For example, to consider locating it in the racecourse park where the pitches are and keep all activity areas to one location. Seagrange park is another suggestion as it is not close to people's homes.

Despite my suggestions of areas that would be more suited for said skatepark, I also question the need for another skatepark at all when there is one nearby in Clongriffin.

The following reports indicate antisocial behaviour issues which is a huge concern. There are a few reports that challenge this but I have yet to see clear evidence that there is no link.

<https://www.limerickleader.ie/news/home/648636/call-for-railings-to-tackle-anti-social-behaviour-at-limerick-skate-park.html>

https://www.tripadvisor.ie/ShowUserReviews-g186605-d189069-r668711067-Bushy_Park-Dublin_County_Dublin.html

<https://www.kilkennypeople.ie/news/home/664927/calls-for-cctv-to-tackle-anti-social-behaviour-at-kilkenny-s-skatepark.html>

<https://www.falkirkherald.co.uk/news/crime/police-probe-racist-graffiti-and-anti-social-behaviour-at-falkirk-skate-park-3320975>

<https://www.salisburyjournal.co.uk/news/18662050.amesbury-skate-park-clean-up-anti-social-behaviour-doubles/>

<https://www.tivysideadvertiser.co.uk/news/18703202.fresh-bid-combat-cardigan-skatepark-anti-social-behaviour/>

In my research into this, I have not located any skate parks in such close proximity to housing. Apart from my aforementioned concerns, I fear noise pollution being an issues, again with the proximity to housing.

Kind regards
Emma Spelman

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