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Dear Ms Murphy

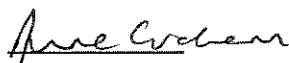
I refer to your letter dated 22 February last to Dublin Bus concerning the provision of bus shelters on the Neilstown Road. Your letter has been passed to the National Transport Authority (NTA) in view of our statutory responsibility for the provision of bus infrastructure including stops and shelters.

Last May the National Transport Authority (NTA) commenced the BusConnects project<sup>1</sup>, which proposes to fundamentally transform Dublin's bus system so that journeys by bus will be fast, reliable, punctual, convenient and affordable.

A key part of the BusConnects project is the complete redesign of the bus services in the Dublin region to enable more people to easily travel to more places. Work on that redesign process is well advanced and there will be a public consultation in the coming months on the details of the emerging proposals. After that consultation process, final decisions can be made in relation to the implementation of a revised network of bus services.

Because the redesign process is likely to result in network changes, with the objective of those changes being to facilitate greater bus usage, there could be changes to routes and stop locations. In addition, we anticipate that bus shelter provision will be significantly expanded as part of BusConnects. Until we have completed the network redesign process and undertaken a public consultation process in relation to any proposed changes, it would be premature to proceed with investing in new bus shelter installations in most locations at the current time. Accordingly, the provision of bus shelters along the Neilstown Road is not proposed at present. The overall position on new bus shelter provision will be reviewed when the network design process and associated consultations are concluded.

Yours sincerely



Anne Graham  
Chief Executive

<sup>1</sup> [www.busconnects.ie](http://www.busconnects.ie)