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Further to Cunnane Stratton Reynolds's letter of 19<sup>th</sup> February 2020 inviting An Taisce to make a submission in connection with the further information they submitted to you on 23<sup>rd</sup> December 2019, we attach our submission.

Andrew Parkes, for the Planning Sub-Committee,  
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**23 March 2020**

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Dear Sir/Madam,

**Reference 06S. JA0040**  
**Dublin Mountain Visitor Centre**  
**Montpelier Hill and Massy's Wood**

**Submission on behalf of An Taisce in conjunction with the South County Dublin Association of An Taisce on the Further Information supplied by the Applicant on 23rd December 2019.**

The Board in their letter of 6th February 2019 requested further information on biodiversity *particularly in relation to the potential impact of increased visitor numbers in Massy's Wood*. The information supplied by the Applicant has made no effort to justify the continued incorporation of the overhead walkway which would be likely to significantly increase the numbers of visitors entering Massy's Wood. We feel that this is a serious oversight and should have been addressed.

If mitigation of disruption of biodiversity was to be encouraged, they have not given any reasons why the new Interpretive Centre on the side of Montpelier Hill should be constructed causing enormous disruption of biodiversity in lieu of refurbishment of Stewards House which would cause minimal disruption.

Yours faithfully,

Andrew Parkes, for the Planning Sub-committee,  
An Taisce South County Dublin Association

