



## Board Direction

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**Ref: 29N.PC0220**

At a meeting held on 18<sup>th</sup> May 2016, the Board considered the report of the inspector as well as the documents and submissions on file.

The Board determined that the proposed development does not comprise strategic infrastructure, in accordance with the reasoning set out below.

### **Reasons and Considerations**

Having regard to the nature of the proposed development, which is a control centre to replace and improve existing similar facilities in operation nearby, its location within lands already forming part of the Iarnród Éireann operational area, the limited scale and footprint of the building, and the submissions made by the prospective applicant regarding the role and functionality of the building, it is considered that the proposed development would not satisfy any of the requirements set out under section 37A(2) of the Act.

In deciding not to accept the Inspector's recommendation that the project be deemed SID, while accepting that the project could be considered the fall within the type of development included in the seventh schedule to the Planning and Development Act 2000 (as amended), for the reasons set out above, in particular the limited scale of the facility, and the fact that it comprises a replacement and upgrade of an existing facility, the Board considered that the development in question would not be of strategic social or economic importance to the state.

The planning application should be made to Dublin City Council in the first instance.

Board Member: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: 18<sup>th</sup> May 2016

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