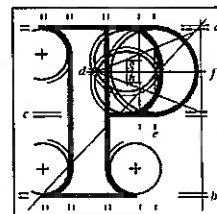


Our Case Number: ABP-310286-21



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Limerick City & County Council  
First Floor, Limerick City and County Council Offices  
Dooradoyle  
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Co. Limerick

Date: 1st September 2021

**Re:** Railway works and all works necessary to eliminate and, where necessary, upgrade seven numbered level crossings and carry out all associated and ancillary works along a 24-kilometre section of the Dublin to Cork Railway Line.

Fantstown, Thomastown, Ballyhay, Newtown, Ballycoskery (Ballyhea Village), Shinanagh and Buttevant, Co. Cork and Co. Limerick.

Dear Sir,

I refer to the above-mentioned application for a railway order under section 37 of the Transport (Railway Infrastructure) Act, 2001, as amended.

As the submission of Limerick City and County Council on the application was not received by the Board in accordance with the time limit as set out in the public notice (namely by the 9<sup>th</sup> July 2021), the Board is agreeable to a new time period to allow the submission of the local authority on this railway order application, part of which falls within the functional area of the Council. The said submission should now be received by the Board **not later than 5.30 p.m. on Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> September, 2021**. A copy of this submission should also be placed on the public file when sent to the Board. For the purpose of any necessary clarification please be advised that Limerick City and County Council submission on an application for a railway order is not subject to any statutory requirement relating to the formal submission of a manager's report to the elected members of the Council prior to making a submission to the Board (such a statutory requirement only applies to applications for planning permission under section 37E of the Planning and Development Act, 2000) - it is of course open to you to consult the elected members if you so choose to do but the time limit for your submission to the Board must still be met. I have been asked by An Bord Pleanála to advise you that it expects that the planning authority submission on this application will cover, where relevant, the following range of issues:

- Main relevant Development Plan provisions relating to the subject site and surrounding area. A clear indication of the current status of the relevant Development Plan and any Draft Plans should be given, together with any relevant issues arising. Details of other relevant Plan provisions (e.g., Local Area Plans) and statement regarding status of these Plans (adopted or in draft form).

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- Relevant planning history relating to the subject site and the surrounding area.
- Relevant enforcement information relating to the subject site and the likely developer (if known).
- Relevant national, regional, and local policies.
- Any Special Area Amenity Order which may be affected by the proposed development.
- European designations, National Heritage Areas, which may be affected by the proposed development (whether in or proximate to same).
- Protected Structures, Architectural Conservation Areas etc.
- Waste policy, which may be relevant to the proposed development. This will arise particularly in the case of applications for waste facilities where policies, objectives and other provisions of Waste Management Plans should be referred to in addition to the Development Plan.
- Adequacy of the public water supply.
- Public sewerage facilities and capacity to facilitate the proposed development.
- Availability and capacity of public surface water drainage facilities and any history of flooding relevant to the site.
- Assessment of landscape status and visual impact, as appropriate.
- Carrying capacity and safety of road network serving the proposed development.
- Environmental carrying capacity of the subject site and surrounding area, and the likely significant impact arising from the proposed development, if carried out.
- Part V of the Planning and Development Act, 2000 (social and affordable housing) provisions (which may be applicable).
- Description of any public use of adjoining, abutting of adjacent lands in the applicant's ownership, and the planning authority's view on any condition which may be appropriate for the purpose of conserving a public amenity on those lands.
- Planning authority view in relation to the decision to be made by the Board.
- Planning authority view on conditions which should be attached in the event of the Board deciding to make a railway order.
- Planning authority view on community gain conditions which may be appropriate.
- Details of relevant section 48/49 development contribution scheme conditions which should be attached.
- Details of any special contribution conditions which should be attached along with detailed calculations and justification for the conditions.

It is anticipated that the planning authority submission will include the views/recommendations of all relevant departments and personnel in the local authority as well as the planning authority's overall considered view on the proposal.

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Thank you for your co-operation in this matter. If you have any enquiries 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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