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## Re: Application for DART+ West Railway Order – Dublin City Centre to Maynooth and M3 Parkway

Dear Ms Thornton,

I refer to the above matter.

Córas Iompair Éireann (CIÉ) submitted an application to An Bord Pleanála under Section 37(1) of the Transport (Railway Infrastructure) Act 2001 (as amended and substituted) for the DART+ West Railway Order on 29<sup>th</sup> July 2022. As previously discussed, we have this week advertised an extension of the period for making submissions to allow for amend ownership details on a number of properties.

CIÉ has undertaken the following:

- 1.1 Notices have been published in National and Regional newspapers, identifying the extension of the period for making of a submission to An Bord Pleanála to 28th October 2022. The notice was published in the following newspaper circulating to communities along the route:
  - Irish Independent, published on 12 September 2022;
  - Leinster Leader, published on 13 September 2022;
  - Northside People East, published on 14 September 2022;
  - Northside People West, published on 14 September 2022; and
  - Meath Chronicle, published on 14 September 2022.

The newspaper notice makes it clear that the statutory consultation period commenced on the 05<sup>th</sup> August and closes at 5.30pm on the 28th October 2022, for any person

wishing to make a submission or observation on the Railway Order application. A copy of all newspaper notices have been enclosed in this correspondence.

- 1.2 Notification of the extension and a copy of the Irish Independent newspaper notice has been served on each of the Planning Authorities (Dublin City Council, Fingal County Council, Kildare County Council and Meath County Council) and each of the prescribed bodies specified by An Bord Pleanála.
- 1.3 Notification of the extension has been served on owners and occupiers of lands directly impacted by the project.
- 1.4 Notification of the extension and relevant extracts from the Railway Order application documents along with a copy of the original and the new Irish Independent newspaper notice have been served on owners and occupiers of lands where additional landownership details have been identified since the initial application.

The following documentation is provided to An Bord Pleanála:

- 2.1 Copy of newspaper advertisements;
- 2.2 Confirmation of notification to Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage of extension of the period for making of submissions to An Bord Pleanála for inclusion in the EIA Portal;
- 2.3 List and details of correspondence served on Local Authorities and Prescribed Bodies informing them of the extension of the period for making of submissions to An Bord Pleanála;
- 2.4 Details of correspondence issued to all owners and occupiers of land where additional landownership details have been identified since the initial application.

We now enclose two paper copies and three electronic copies of the associated documentation. I trust the DART+ West Railway Order documentation is satisfactory.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you require anything further.

## Yours sincerely

Dated

G. Finecane

16th September 2022

Geraldine Finucane Group Secretary, C.I.É. Encls.

Annex A – List of Prescribed bodies & Sample letter

- Annex B Newspaper notices
- Annex C EIA Portal Acknowledgement

Annex D – List of Landowners/Occupiers & Sample letter notifying of extension to period for submissions to ABP

Annex E – Copies of correspondence with Landowners/Occupiers with amended ownership details