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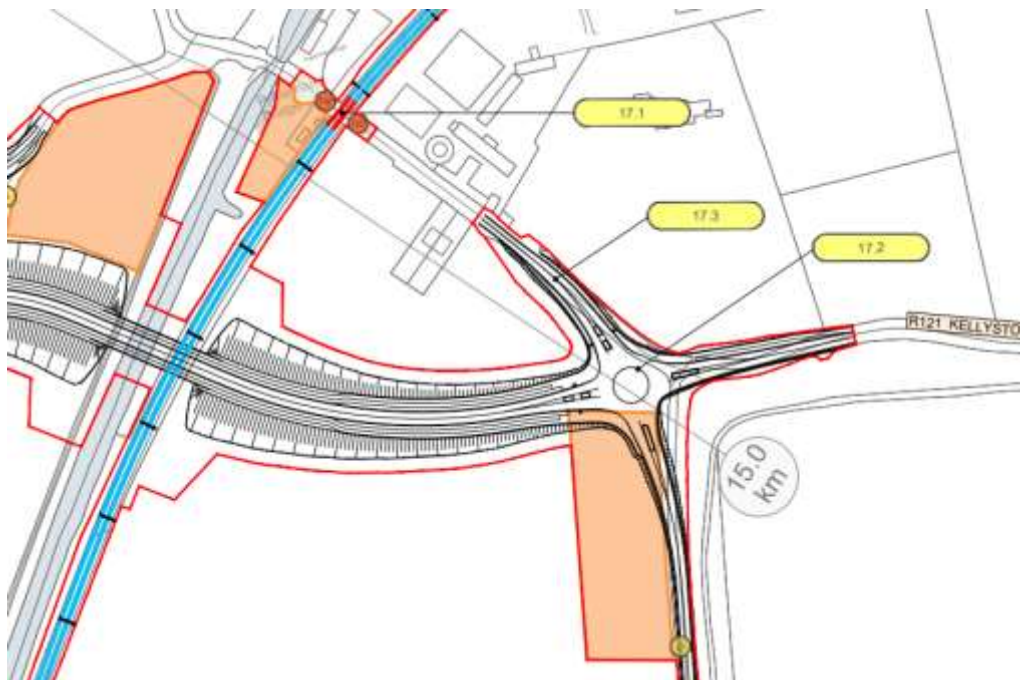
28<sup>th</sup> October 2022

Dear Sir/ Madam,

**Re: Submission for Dart + West Railway Order Application by Córas Iompair Éireann (CIÉ) by Seamus Ross (the “Observer”) of Barberstown House, Clonsilla, Dublin 15 (the “Property”) ABP Case No 314232**

The proposal by CIE to upgrade and electrify the existing line is very welcome and is supported by the Observer. He has engaged in various consultations with CIE representatives and has facilitated various surveys etc.

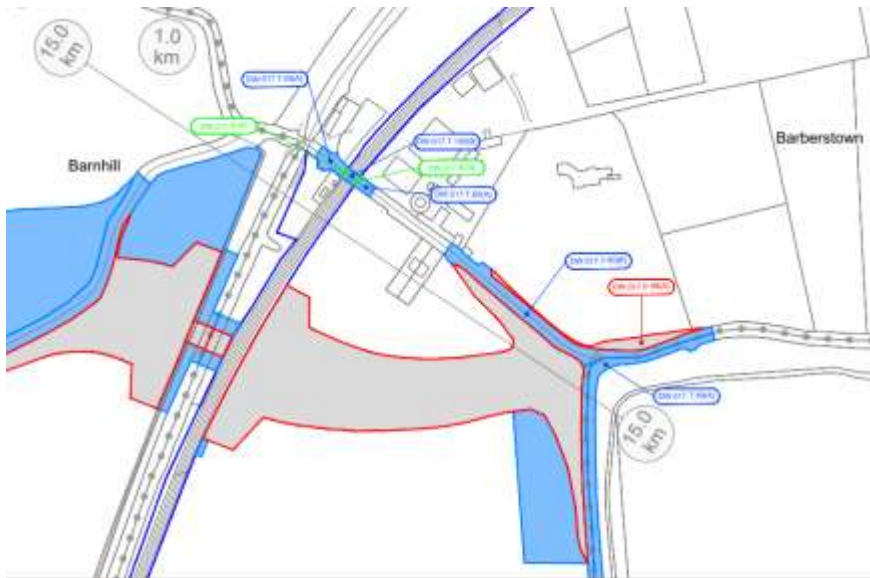
The relevant Railway Order Works Drawing is “WP 017” and the works which concern the Observer’s property are **17.2** and **17.3** and the proposed adjoining **temporary construction compound** and **Access Point (AP)**.



Consultation is required in order to ensure that the works, both temporary and permanent, are carried out sensitively and proper restoration takes place. The Observer uses the lands for the keeping of horses and consideration for same is required as is interruption to the Observer’s operations in that regard.

As regards permanent works and landtake the following is noted –

- The Observer owns that lands on both side of the laneway off Kellystown lane. It is proposed that the nearby level crossing be close. The Observers and any tenants are the only persons who will use the lane as far as the Observer can ascertain. Railway works access will be from the other side of Barbetstown lane where there is an existing compound. The proposed roundabout is noted. It is submitted that the proposed roundabout may not therefore be required and leaving public access to this stretch of laneway may result in anti-social behaviour e.g. dumping. Under the circumstances it may be prudent to simply extinguish the right of way which will be moribund and provide controlled dedicated access for the Observer directly from Kellystown lane at this junction.
- Significant permanent landtake is proposed for which appropriate compensation will be sought through the established channels. The Observer is concerned that any new boundaries, which will in many cases (and particularly in the curtilage of the Observer's garden) are mature hedgerows and that any new boundaries should be maintenance free e.g. wall in the case of the existing garden particularly and be faced with natural stone preferably and of sufficient height. Other lesser treatments may suffice for agricultural lands. The Observer is happy to further discuss this with CIE.



The Observer wishes the foregoing to be noted by CIE and An Bord Pleanála in their deliberations. The Observer reserves the right to make such further representation / elaborations on representation as are appropriate consistent with relevant legislation and natural and constitutional justice in writing or at any oral hearing convened for the project.

The Observer is very happy to discuss the foregoing with the Dart + Design Team.

Your Sincerely

Electronically – bears no signature

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Seamus Ross