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1	Introduction	1	While land required for the purposes of transport services may be included in a Railway Order application, Section 130 of the Transport Act 1944 precludes the compulsory acquisition of such land without the previous consent of the Minister for Transport.	TII is aware of the provisions of Section 130 of the Transport Act 1944 which precludes the compulsory acquisition of such land, under certain circumstances, without the previous consent of the Minister for Transport. As is normal practice Transport Infrastructure Ireland will enter into an agreement with CIE and its subsidiaries, larnród Éireann and Dublin Bus, at the appropriate time, that addresses and deals with any and all land consideration requirements and which allows for any such consents to be made available on receipt of an Enforceable Railway Order.					
2	Lands at Proposed Glasnevin Station, Dublin 9	1	The TII proposals include permanent and temporary compulsory acquisitions of existing operational railway lines to enable inter alia construction of the Metrolink Glasnevin Station. CIÉ supports the submission made by larnród Éireann to An Bord Pleanála on the Metrolink application. CIÉ and larnród Éireann will continue to work with TII with a view to facilitating access to the required CIÉ lands whilst ensuring that the proposed impacts on larnród Éireann services are agreed in advance of any works commencing at this location.	CIÉ support of the submission made by larnród Éireann to An Bord Pleanála with regard to the Metrolink Railway Order application is noted and understood. TII have responded to all the matters raised by larnród Éireann's submission and will continue to engage with the objective of reaching agreement on the proposed impacts to larnród Éireann in advance of any works commencing at the proposed MetroLink Glasnevin station location.					
3	Dublin Bus HQ Building S9-60 O' Connell Street Upper/Henry Place, Dublin 1		The proposed compulsory property acquisitions include permanent acquisitions of a significant portion of the Dublin Bus office headquarter facility. No. 60 O'Connell Street Upper is included on the Dublin City Council Record of Protected Structures (RPS Ref. No. 6028). CIÉ and Dublin Bus have had ongoing and extensive engagement with TII in relation to this matter and will continue to work with TII with a view to providing access to the required Dublin Bus occupied land and buildings.	TII confirms that extensive engagement is ongoing with CIE and Dublin Bus regarding the properties at No.'s 59 / 60 O'Connell Street Upper and the permanent land requirements necessary for the construction and operation of MetroLink in this location and is committed to reaching an appropriate agreement in advance of any works commencing.					
4	Curzon House, 35 Lower Abbey Street, Dublin 1	2	The proposed compulsory acquisition relates to substratum beneath 35 Lower Abbey Street, which is a CIÉ owned three storey over basement building accommodating a Spar retail unit at ground floor and CIÉ Tours, CIÉ: Sustainability Department and CIÉ Group Property Management in the office accommodation overhead. No. 35 Abbey Street Lower is included on the Dublin City Council Record of Protected Structures (RPS Ref. No. 7). The building was built in c. 1825 and, with the exception of the front facade, was destroyed in 1916 and rebuilt in c. 1920. Given the significant age of the building and the functions carried out therein, CIÉ requires that the anticipated environmental impacts resulting from the Metrolink construction and operation including noise, vibration and ground movement will have the necessary mitigation measures applied to ensure that all such impacts are kept within the TII recommended threshold levels.	details).					

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			(4) continued	Noise and Vibration (N&V) EIAR Appendix 14.5, Groundborne Noise and Vibration Blasting Modelling Results, presents the predicted groundborne noise and vibration levels during the construction and operational phase of the Project for the building. N&V Construction The predicted level of groundborne noise during TBM passage is 50 dB LASmax, which is above the 45 dB LASmax threshold, resulting in a significant impact on building occupants. The predicted level of groundborne vibration during TBM passage is 0.273 ms-1.75, which is lower than the VDV (Vibration Dose Value is a parameter that combines the magnitude of vibration and the time for which it occurs) Threshold Level of 1.0 ms-1.75, resulting in a not significant impact on the building. Unfortunately, there are no effective methods available to reduce groundborne noise from the TBM at source, but noting that the duration of this impact will be of the order of up to two-weeks as the TBM passes. TII will liaise with CIÉ to ensure the timing of these impacts are known and the building occupants are prepared for the passage of the TBM and resultant elevated noise levels. N&V Operation The predicted level of groundborne noise during the railway operation is 35 dB LASmax, which is below the 40 dB LASmax threshold, resulting in a not significant impact on the occupants of the building. The predicted level of groundborne vibration during the railway operation is 0.009 ms-1.75, much lower than the VDV Threshold Level for these buildings of 0.8 ms-1.75, resulting in a not significant impact on the building. Monitoring Monitoring Monitoring instrumentation will also be used throughout the works to monitor potential environmental impacts, including those discussed above to ensure that acceptable limits are not breached, noting that groundborne noise generated by the TBM will be of a temporary limited duration that will be managed through close liaison with CIE. It also confirm they will continue to liaise with CIE to ensure discounts to the property owner.				
5	Land at Tara 2-16 Tara Street/Poolbeg Street/ Luke Street, Dublin 2	2	The proposed compulsory acquisitions include substratum land beneath a CIÉ owned site at 2-16 Tara Street which includes frontage onto Poolbeg Street. CIÉ has entered into an Agreement for Lease with Tanat Limited relative to planned commercial development on the site and Tanat Limited may make its own separate submission to An Bord Pleanála in this respect. The proposed acquisitions also include portions of larnród Éireann's track support structures including the Poolbeg Street/Luke Street bridge. CIÉ supports the submission made by larnród Éireann to An Bord Pleanála on the Metrolink application. CIÉ and larnród Éireann will continue to work with TII with a view to reaching agreement on the items raised in the larnród Éireann submission in order that access to the required CIÉ lands for MetroLink construction and operation can be facilitated.	TII is in discussions with CIE regarding the substratum lands, and any other lands CIE has a legal interest in at this location, and is cognisant of the provisions of Section 130 of the Transport Act 1944 which precludes the compulsory acquisition of such land, under certain circumstances, without the previous consent of the Minister for Transport. As is normal practice Transport Infrastructure Ireland will enter into an agreement with CIE and its subsidiaries, larnród Éireann and Dublin Bus, at the appropriate time, that addresses and deals with any and all land consideration requirements and which allows for any such consents to be made available on receipt of an Enforceable Railway Order. TII is available to discuss the proposed development by Tanat Limited and will work collaboratively to ensure that the proposed development can proceed without adversly impacting the delivery of the MetroLink Scheme.				
6	Lands at Library View Villas, Dublin 7	2	CIE is not in occupation of these substratum and is agreeable to the proposed compulsory acquisition of any legal interest it may have in same.	As is normal practice Transport Infrasture Ireland will enter into an agreement with CIE and its subsidiaries, larnród Éireann and Dublin Bus, at the appropriate time, that addresses and deals with any and all land consideration requirements and which allows for any such consents to be made available on receipt of an Enforceable Railway Order. It is noted in this instance that CIE is not in occupation of the lands, referenced as substratum in the Draft Railway Order application, and TII will proceed on the basis of the proposed compulsory acquisition, or enter into an agreement, for the acquisition of any legal interest CIE may have in this location.				
7	Portions of Luas Green Line Embankment at Dartmouth Road/Northbrook Avenue, Dublin 6	2	CIE is not in occupation of these lands and is agreeable to the proposed compulsory acquisition of any legal interest it may have in same	As is normal practice Transport Infrasture Ireland will enter into an agreement with CIE and its subsidiaries, larnród Éireann and Dublin Bus, at the appropriate time, that addresses and deals with any and all land consideration requirements and which allows for any such consents to be made available on receipt of an Enforceable Railway Order. It is noted in this instance that CIE is not in occupation of the lands, referenced as substratum in the Draft Railway Order application, and TII will proceed on the basis of the proposed compulsory acquisition or enter into an agreement, for the acquisition of any legal interest CIE may have in this location.				