
Appendix A1.3
Summary of
An Bord Pleanála Meetings



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1.1 Introduction

Table 1-1 is a summary of pre-application consultation (PAC) meetings held with An Bord Pleanála (ABP) in respect of DART+ Coastal North prior to the submission of the Railway Order.

Table 1-1 Summary of ABP pre-application consultation meetings

| PAC No. | Date | Agenda | Environmental Issues Raised by ABP |
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| PAC No. 1 | 2022.01.20 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Introduction to Iarnród Éireann; • DART+ Programme; • DART+ Coastal North Project Description; • DART+ Coastal North Option Selection Process; • DART+ Coastal North Project Phases/Programme; • DART+ Coastal North Engagement and Proposed Schedule of PAC Meetings; • DART+ Coastal North Conclusions; and • Questions & AOB. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ABP queried if proposed shuttle service would be exclusively as a shuttle or if it would allow for through services. Arup/IE clarified that infrastructure would enable both and decisions will be operational decisions in future. • ABP noted the need to address signalling issues within Dublin City extents as part of future increases in rail service capacity and frequency. Arup/IE noted that upgrades will be designed to support the increased capacity. • Arup/IE noted that city centre capacity enhancements are being delivered by DART+ West and works at Connolly Station. ABP noted the need for DART+ to be clear in their application as to any cumulative and in-combination affects from the other DART+ proposed project developments and any dependencies between projects. • ABP queried the status of ecological surveys, including wintering bird surveys. Arup confirmed that survey's have commenced at this stage and are ongoing. |
| PAC No. 2 | 2022.03.09 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Overview of PC1; • Key Interventions – Initial Feedback received; • Planning Context Overview; • EIAR Overview; • AA overview; • Interdependencies between DART+ projects; • Programme Update; and • Questions & AOB. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ABP advised that the scope of DART+ Coastal North and its relationship with DART+ Programme be clearly identified. • ABP queried whether there was any conflict between track work sand the residential development at Clongriffin Station. Arup/IE clarified that consultation with developer is ongoing, but that no direct conflict has been identified. Arup/IE also clarified that there is no intent to provide improved connectivity between the Drogheda station and lands to the east zoned residential as part of the DART+ Coastal North application. • Arup/IE noted engagement is ongoing with all potentially affected landowners. |
| PAC No. 3 | 2023.04.05 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Project Update; • PC1 Feedback and Design Development; • Presentation of Preferred Option; • BEMU Update; • Consultation Update; • RO Update; • Programme Update; • Future Meetings; and • Questions & AOB. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ABP advised to engage the local authority regarding any impacts on the local road network in Fingal County Council. • ABP advised that the Appropriate Assessment should take note of the night-time constructions works in relation to potential impacts on European Sites. • ABP queried if reduced diesel trains on the line will result in reduced noise levels. Arup confirmed this will be assessed in the EIAR. |

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| PAC No. 4 | 2023.06.15 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Project Update; Consultation Update inc. feedback from PC2; Construction Strategy; AA & Biodiversity; EIA Update – focus on LVIA, Climate Change, Traffic & Transportation and Noise Impacts; Approach to Cumulative Assessment; Programme Update; and Questions & AOB. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Arup confirmed that survey work referred to for enabling works will not rely on post-consent surveys. Arup confirmed no demolition of existing abutments on the Dublin Road Bridge (UBK01). Arup clarified that EIA Scoping report was issued to NPWS for consultation. ABP advised engaging with NPWS prior to submission of RO. ABP advised any works to culverts should have regard to climate change and future effects of same. ABP advised that cumulative impacts be addressed as clearly and succinctly as possible. |
| PAC No. 5 | 2023.10.16 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Project Update; Design Update; EIAR and AA Update; Railway Order Approach and Requirements; Property and Residential Amenity; Presentation of final RO Package (notices, logistics, sequencing, etc); Programme Update; and Questions & AOB. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Noted the AA Screening confirmed an NIS is required. NIS being finalised. Works at UBB19 (Clongriffin) should be assessed in NIS due to their proximity to SAC. Arup acknowledged this will be assessed in the AA. ABP advised flood risk assessment is required for works to UBB19. Arup acknowledged this will be submitted as part of the RO application. It was clarified that it was not intended that there will be idling of diesel trains would occur at turnbacks. ABP advised that methodology for shortlisting should be clear in the cumulative assessment. ABP advised to engage NPWS prior to submission. |