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**AN BORD PLEANÁLA**  
**AN TACHT IOMPAIR (BONNEAGAR IARNRÓID) 2001**  
**(ARNA LEASÚ AGUS ARNA FHIONRAIÓD)**  
**FÓGRA UM TUILLEADH FAISNÉISE**  
**AGUS**  
**FÓGRA MAIDIR LE SÍNEADH AR AN TRÉIMHSE COMHAIRLÍÚCHÁIN**  
**I nDÁIL LE**  
**IARRATAS AR AN IARNRÓD (ORDÚ METROLINK CHUIG CHARLEMONT TRÍ AERFORT**  
**BHAILE ÁTHA CLIATH [2022] [ABP REF NA29N.314724]**

**1. Fógra maidir le tuilleadh faisnéise**

De réir Alt 41(2)(a)(ii) den Acht Iompair (Bonneagar Iarnróid) 2001 (an "Acht") agus tar éis iarratais arna ndéanamh ag an mBord Pleanála de bhun alt 41(1) agus (2)(a) den Acht sin, go dtabharfaidh an tÚdarás um Bóithre Náisiúnta (ag feidhmiú mar Bhonneagar Iompair Éireann) fógra faoi aighneachtaí faisnéise a fágadh ar lár go neamhaireach roimhe sin ón TMTT a bhí ag gabháil leis an iarratas ar ordú iarnróid, ina bhfuil tuilleadh faisnéise i ndáil leis na héifeachtaí dóchúlacha ar timpeallacht na n-oibreacha iarnróid atá beartaithe.

Bhí cuid d'Aguisín A9-2 san fhaisnéis a fágadh ar lár, arb é Aguisín A9-2-M Measúnú Tráchtá agus Iompair – Stáisiún Faiche Stiabhna.

**2. Fógra maidir le síneadh a chur leis an tréimhse chomhairlíúcháin**

Tá an tréimhse chomhairlíúcháin dá bhforáiltear san fhógra a foilsíodh an 16 Meán Fómhair 2022 de bhun Alt 40(1)(b) den Acht a síneadh anois thar an 25 Samhain 2022 agus tiocfaidh deireadh léi anois ar an 16 Eanáir 2023. Tá an fógra a foilsíodh ar 16 Meán Fómhair 2022 ar fáil ag <https://downloads.metrolink.ie/documentsro/FINAL%20ABP%20Cover%20Letter.pdf>

**3. Nithe a leanann as fógra 1 agus 2 thuas**

Mar a dúradh i bhfógra an 16 Meán Fómhair 2022, an tOrdú Iarnróid, má dheonaítear é, don Údarás um Bóithre Náisiúnta (a oibríonn mar Bhonneagar Iompair Éireann) oibreacha iarnróid a dhéanamh agus na hoibreacha go léir is gá chun tógáil, oibriú, cothabháil agus feabhsú iarnróid arna ainmniú mar mheitreo a chumasú lena n-áirítear, i measc rudai eile, tógáil iarnróid agus mheitreo leithscartha go hiomlán agus uathoibríthe den chuid is mó faoi thalamh thart ar 18.8km ar fad le 16 stáisiún ag rith ó thuaidh de Shoir agus Inbhear trí Sord, Aerfort Bhaile Átha Cliath, Baile Munna, Glas Naion, agus Lár na Cathrach go dtí Charlemont i ndeisceart lár na cathrach Bhaile Átha Cliath.

Beidh na hoibreacha comhdhéanta go ginearálta ach níl siad teoranta do thógáil iarnróid thart ar 18.8km ar fad atá faoin talamh den chuid is mó. Áiríonn sé cuid 9.4km de thollán tollta singil a rithéann faoi Lár na Cathrach Bhaile Átha Cliath a rithéann ó Charlemont go Stáisiún na Coille Thuaidh agus cuid 2.3km de thollán tollta singil a rithéann faoi Aerfort Bhaile Átha Cliath. I measc na gcodanna tolláin tá saoráidí rochtana idirghabhála le haghaidh seirbhísi éigeandála ag Aerfort Bhaile Átha Cliath, Páirc Choláiste Ailbhe agus díreach ó dheas de Stáisiún Charlemont, cuirfear struchtúir Thairseach an Tolláin ar fáil sa Choill Thuaidh, i mBaile an Dairdisigh agus in Aerfort Bhaile Átha Cliath. Ó thuaidh ó Aerfort Bhaile Átha Cliath tiocfaidh an t-iarnróid amach as an tollán agus rithfidh sé ag leibhéal an dromchla agus i struchtúir ghearrtha agus chluadaigh go Stáisiún an Inbhir. Áireofar créfoirt, úsáid struchtúir ghearrtha agus chluadaigh coinnithe, codanna ardaíthe chomh maith le hoibreacha draenála agus cóiríochta ilghnéitheacha i gcodanna reatha dromchla agus gearrtha agus clúdaigh. Tógfar droichead nua 99m thar an M50 agus Tarbhealach íreísé 261m ar fhad thar an Abhainn Ghabhra agus Abhainn an Bharda.

Beidh 16 stáisiún san iomlán ann, lena n-áirítear 11 stáisiún faoi thalamh ag Aerfort Bhaile Átha Cliath, An Choill Thuaidh, Baile Munna, Ascaill Uí Choleáin, Páirc Uí Ghriofa, Glas Naion, an Mater, Sráid Uí Chonaill, Sráid na Teamhrach, Faiche Stiabhna agus Charlemont; 4 stáisiún gearrtha coinnithe ag Baile na Mara, Baile Shoir, Baile an Fhóraistearaigh agus Baile an Dairdisigh agus 1 ag stáisiún grád san Inbhear. Soláthrófar spás páirceála agus taistil ilstóir 3000 gar do Mhótarbhealach an M1 ag Stáisiún an Inbhir, tá iosta cothabhála suite in aice le Stáisiún Bhaile an Dairdisigh ina mbeidh na háiseanna go léir a theastaíonn chun an MetroLink agus ar a rothstoc agus ar an Lárionad Rialaithe Oibríúcháin cothabháil a dhéanamh agus a oibriú.

Áireoidh na hoibreacha freisin comharthaíocht iarnróid, córais cheannasaíochta, rialaithe agus cumarsáide; soláthar fostáisiún leictreacha; bunú comhdhúile sealadach tógála; bunú bainistíochta tráchtá sealadach agus atreoirithe bóithre; bealaí rochtana nua agus leasaithe agus feabhsúcháin ar acomhail bóithre; atreoirí na bhfónas atá ann cheana; bonneagar draenála nua a sholáthar; soláthar bearta maolaíthe comshaoil; agus modhnaíthe bonneagar eile chun an tionscadal iomlán a eascú.

Áiríonn an tOrdú Iarnróid, má dheonaítear é, cumhachtaí freisin don Údarás um Bóithre Náisiúnta (a oibríonn mar Bhonneagar Iompair Éireann) talamh nó cearta a fháil go héigeantach i dtalamh, faoi thalamh nó os a chionn nó ar aon fhoshraith talún a shonraítear san ordú; chun talamh a shonraítear san ordú a fháil agus a áitiú go sealadach; chun easúintí agus cearta eile ar thalamh a shonraítear san ordú a fháil; cearta poiblí agus/nó príobháideacha lena n-áirítear cearta slí atá sonraíthe san ordú a mhúchadh; agus forálann sé do chearta eile ar thalamh.

Tá na hoibreacha iarnróid atá beartaithe a chumhdaítear leis an Ordú Iarnróid beartaithe faoi réir nó imeachta measúnaithe tionchair timpeallachta de bhun an Achte agus cuirfear isteach Ráiteas Tionchair Natura freisin.

Áireofar na nithe seo a leanas sna doiciméid tacaíochta a ghabhann leis an iarratas ar Ordú Iarnróid:

1. Dréacht den Ordú Iarnróid beartaithe, dar teideal "Ordú Iarnróid (Metrolink-Inbhear go Charlemont trí Aerfort Bhaile Átha Cliath) [2022]"
2. Plean de na hoibreacha iarnróid atá beartaithe agus na riachtanais talún le haghaidh na n-oibreacha iarnróid;
3. Leabhar tagartha don phlean, ag cur in iúl céannacht úinéirí agus áititheoirí na dtailte a bhfuil tuairisc orthu sa phlean;
4. Tuarscáil ar Mheasúnú Tionchair Timpeallachta (TMTT), a sholáthraíonn anailís agus measúnú córasach ar éifeachtaí suntasacha tionscadail bheartaithe ar an gcomshaoil glachta;
5. Ráiteas Tionchair Natura

Féadfar cóip den dréacht-Ordú Iarnróid, den doiciméadacht a ghabhann leis an iarratas agus an fhaisnéis bhreise a iniúchadh saor in aisce le linn gnáthuaireanta oifige nó oscaite ón 25 Samhain 2022 go dtí an 16 Eanáir 2023 ag:

1. Oifigí An Bhoird Pleanála offices ag 64 Sráid Mhaoilbhríde, Baile Átha Cliath 1, D01 V902;
2. Oifigí Chomhairle Cathrach Bhaile Átha Cliath ag Oifigí na Cathrach, Cé an Adhmaid, Baile Átha Cliath 8, D08 RF3F;
3. Oifigí Chomhairle Contae Fhine Gall ag Halla an Chontae, An Phríomshráid, Sord, Contae Bhaile Átha Cliath, K67 X8Y2;
4. Oifigí Bonneagar Iompair Éireann (BIÉ) ag Ionad Gnó Gheata na Páirce, Sráid Gheata na Páirce, Baile Átha Cliath 8, D08 DK10;
5. Oifigí an tÚdarás Náisiúnta Iompair (ÚNI) ag at Dún Scéine, Lána Fhearchair, Baile Átha Cliath 2, D02 WT20 (9.15rn – 4in de Luain go hAoine)

Is féidir an dréacht-Ordú Iarnróid, na doiciméid a ghabhann leis an iarratas agus an fhaisnéis bhreise a fheiceáil ag <https://www.metrolinkro.ie> ón 25 Samhain 2022.

**Doiciméadúcháin a Cheannach**

Féadfar cóipeanna nó sleachta as na doiciméid a ghabhann leis an iarratas ar an Ordú Iarnróid nó an fhaisnéis bhreise a cheannach ar tháille a íoc nach mó ná an costas réasúnach a bhaineann leis an gcóip sin a dhéanamh nó le sliocht as:

- Bonneagar Iompair Éireann, (BIÉ), Ionad Gnó Gheata na Páirce, Sráid Gheata na Páirce, Baile Átha Cliath 8, D08 DK10, Éire
- Féadfar iarratais cheannaigh den sórt sin a sheoladh chuig Bonneagar Iompair Éireann, Ionad Gnó Gheata na Páirce, Sráid Gheata na Páirce, Baile Átha Cliath 8, D08 DK10 nó ar [info@metrolink.ie](mailto:info@metrolink.ie) nó trí ghlaoch a chur ar 1800 333 777.

**Aighneachtaí Scríofa**

Is é an Bord Pleanála an t-údarás inniúil atá freagrach as an gcinneadh an ndéanfaidh nó nach ndéanfaidh an t-ordú, ónár féidir faisnéis ábhartha a fháil agus ónár féidir tuairimí nó ceisteanna a chur isteach. Breithneoidh an Bord Pleanála aon aighneachtaí ó aon daoine, a dhéanfar i scríbhinn idir 7 Deireadh Fómhair 2022 agus 5.30in ar an 16 Eanáir 2023 agus beidh táille €50 ag gabháil leo i ndáil leis an dréacht-Ordú Iarnróid, an t-eolas breise nó i ndáil leis na héifeachtaí dóchúlacha ar an gcomshaoil agus ar an tionchar suntasach dóchúil a bheidh ag na hoibreacha iarnróid atá beartaithe sa limistéar lena mbaíneann le Láithreán Eorpacha, más ann dóibh. Níl an táille seo iníoctha ag comhlachtaí forordaithe áirithe nó ag daoine a bhféadfadh a gcuid tailte a fháil faoin dréacht-Ordú Iarnróid agus ní bheidh sé iníoctha ach an oiread ag aon duine a bhí tar éis aighneacht a dhéanamh agus an táille a íoc cheana féin idir an 7 Deireadh Fómhair 2022 agus an 25 Samhain 2022.

**Ní mór aighneachtaí a chur isteach tráth nach déanaí ná 5.30in ar an 16 Eanáir 2023** agus ní mór iad a sheoladh chuig an mBord Pleanála, 64 Sráid Maoilbhríde, Baile Átha Cliath 1, D01 V902 agus marcáilte "Ordú Iarnróid (Metrolink-Inbhear go Charlemont trí Aerfort Bhaile Átha Cliath) 2022". Is féidir aighneachtaí a chur faoi shuíomh gréasáin an Bhoird Pleanála freisin ag an seoladh seo a leanas: <https://www.pleanala.ie/en-ie/observations>

**Éisteacht Ó Bhéal**

Féadfaidh an Bord Pleanála, dá lánrogha féin, éisteacht ó bhéal a thionól maidir leis an iarratas ar Ordú Iarnróid, faoi alt 42 den Acht.

**Athbhreithniú Breithiúnach**

Féadfaidh duine bailiocht cinneadh an Bhoird Pleanála a cheistiú trí iarratas ar athbhreithniú breithiúnach de réir alt 47 agus 47A den Acht Iompair (Bonneagar Iarnróid) 2001 (arna leasú agus arna ionadú) agus faoi Ordú 84 de na Rialacha na nUaschúirteanna, 1986 (arna leasú) (S.I. Uimh. 15 de 1986 arna leasú) agus is féidir teacht ar fhaisnéis phraicticiúil faoin meicníocht athbhreithnithe faoin gceanntaideal "Fógraí Díl" – "Fógra Athbhreithnithe Bhreithiúnaigh" ar shuíomh gréasáin an Bhoird [www.pleanala.ie](http://www.pleanala.ie) nó ar an suíomh gréasáin um Fhaisnéis do Shaoránaigh [www.citizeninformation.ie](http://www.citizeninformation.ie).

**Síniú: Edel McCormack**  
**Rúnaí don Údarás**

An tÚdarás um Bóithre Náisiúnta (ag feidhmiú mar Bhonneagar Iompair Éireann),  
Bonneagar Iompair Éireann,  
Ionad Gnó Gheata na Páirce,  
Sráid Gheata na Páirce,  
Baile Átha Cliath 8, D08 DK10, Éire.  
25 Samhain 2022.

**Tá tuilleadh eolais le fáil ar:**

Teileafón: 1800 333 777

Ar poist: MetroLink,  
Bonneagar Iompair Éireann,  
Ionad Gnó Gheata na Páirce,  
Sráid Gheata na Páirce,  
Baile Átha Cliath 8, D08 DK10.

Ríomhphost: [info@metrolink.ie](mailto:info@metrolink.ie)

Suíomh gréasáin: [www.metrolinkro.ie](http://www.metrolinkro.ie)

**AN BORD PLEANÁLA**  
**TRANSPORT (RAILWAY INFRASTRUCTURE) ACT 2001**  
**(AS AMENDED AND SUBSTITUTED)**  
**NOTICE OF FURTHER INFORMATION**  
**AND**  
**NOTICE OF AN EXTENSION TO THE CONSULTATION PERIOD**  
**IN RELATION TO**  
**APPLICATION FOR THE RAILWAY (METROLINK TO CHARLEMONT**  
**VIA DUBLIN AIRPORT) ORDER [2022] (ABP Ref NA29N.314724)**

**1. Notice of further information**

In accordance with Section 41(2)(a)(ii) of the Transport (Railway Infrastructure) Act 2001 (the "Act") and following requests made by An Bord Pleanála pursuant to section 41(1) and (2)(a) of the said Act, the National Roads Authority (operating as Transport Infrastructure Ireland) gives notice of the submission of information previously inadvertently omitted from the EIAR which accompanied the application for a railway order, which contains further information in relation to the likely effects on the environment of the proposed railway works.

The information omitted was a section of Appendix A9-2, being Appendix A9-2-M Traffic and Transportation Assessment – St Stephen's Green Station.

**2. Notice of extension to the consultation period**

The consultation period provided for in the notice published on 16th September 2022 pursuant to Section 40(1)(b) of the Act is now being extended beyond 25th November 2022 and will now conclude on 16th January 2023. The notice published on 16th September 2022 is available at <https://downloads.metrolink.ie/documentsro/FINAL%20ABP%20Cover%20Letter.pdf>

**3. Matters consequent on notices 1 and 2 above**

As stated in the notice of 16th September 2022, the Railway Order, if granted, will authorise the National Roads Authority (operating as Transport Infrastructure Ireland) to carry out railway works and all works necessary to enable the construction, operation, maintenance and improvement of a railway designated as a metro including inter alia the construction of a fully segregated and automated railway and metro mostly underground approximately 18.8km in length with 16 stations running from north of Swords at Estuary through Swords, Dublin Airport, Ballymun, Glasnevin and the City Centre to Charlemont in the south of Dublin City Centre.

The works will generally comprise but are not limited to the construction of a Railway approximately 18.8km in length which is mostly underground. It includes a 9.4km section of single bore tunnel running beneath Dublin City Centre running from Charlemont to Northwood Station and a 2.3km section of single bore tunnel running beneath Dublin Airport. Tunnel sections include intervention access facilities for emergency services at Dublin Airport, Albert College Park and just south of Charlemont Station, tunnel Portal structures will be provided at Northwood, Dardistown and Dublin Airport. North of Dublin Airport the railway will emerge from tunnel and will run at surface level and in cut and cover structures to Estuary Station. Surface running sections and cut and cover sections will include earthworks, the use of retained cut and cover structures, elevated sections plus miscellaneous drainage and accommodation works. A new 99m bridge will be constructed over the M50 and a 261m long multi-span Viaduct over the Broadmeadow and Ward River.

There will be a total of 16 stations, including 11 underground stations at Dublin Airport, Northwood, Ballymun, Collins Avenue, Griffith Park, Glasnevin, Mater, O'Connell Street, Tara, St. Stephen's Green and Charlemont; 4 retained cut stations at Seatown, Swords Central, Fosterstown and Dardistown and 1 at grade station at Estuary. A multi-storey 3000 space park and ride close to the M1 Motorway will be provided at Estuary Station, a maintenance depot is located near Dardistown Station which will house all the facilities required for the maintenance and operation of the MetroLink and its rolling stock and the Operational Control Centre.

The works will also include railway signalling, command and control and communications systems; provision of electrical substations; establishment of temporary construction compounds; establishment of temporary traffic management and road diversions; new and realigned access routes and road junction improvements; diversion of existing utilities; provision of new drainage infrastructure; provision of environmental mitigation measures; and other infrastructural modifications to facilitate the overall project.

The Railway Order, if granted, also includes powers for the National Roads Authority (operating as Transport Infrastructure Ireland) to acquire compulsorily land or rights in, under or over land or any substratum of land specified in the order; to temporarily acquire and occupy land specified in the order; to acquire easements and other rights over land specified in the order; to extinguish public and/or private rights including rights of way specified in the order; and provides for other rights over land.

The proposed railway works covered by the proposed Railway Order are subject to an environmental impact assessment procedure pursuant to the Act and a Natura Impact Statement will also be submitted

The supporting documentation accompanying the Railway Order application include the following:

1. A draft of the proposed Railway Order, entitled "Railway (Metrolink-Estuary to Charlemont via Dublin Airport) Order [2022]"
2. A plan of the proposed railway works and the land requirements for the railway works;
3. A book of reference to the plan, indicating the identity of the owners and occupiers of the lands described in the plan;
4. An Environmental Impact Assessment Report (EIAR), providing a systematic analysis and assessment of the significant effects of a proposed project on the receiving environment;
5. A Natura Impact Statement.

A copy of the draft Railway Order, the documentation accompanying the application and the further information may be inspected free of charge during normal office or opening hours from 25th November 2022 until the 16th January 2023 at:

1. An Bord Pleanála offices at 64 Marlborough Street, Dublin 1, D01 V902;
2. Dublin City Council offices at Civic Offices, Wood Quay, Dublin 8, D08 RF3F;
3. Fingal County Council offices at County Hall, Main Street, Swords, County Dublin, K67 X8Y2;
4. Transport Infrastructure Ireland (TII) offices at Parkgate Business Centre, Parkgate Street, Dublin 8, D08 DK10;
5. National Transport Authority (NTA) offices at Dún Scéine, Harcourt Lane, Dublin 2, D02 WT20 (9.15am – 4pm Monday to Friday)

The draft Railway Order, the documentation accompanying the application and the further information may also be viewed at: <https://www.metrolinkro.ie> from the 25th November 2022.

**Purchase of Documentation**

Copies or extracts from the documentation accompanying the application for the Railway Order or the further information may be purchased on payment of a fee not exceeding the reasonable cost of making such copy or extract from:

- Transport Infrastructure Ireland (TII), Parkgate Business Centre, Parkgate Street, Dublin 8, D08 DK10, Ireland

Such purchase requests may be sent to Transport Infrastructure Ireland, Parkgate Business Centre, Parkgate Street, Dublin 8, D08 DK10 or [info@metrolink.ie](mailto:info@metrolink.ie) or by calling 1800 333 777.

**Written Submissions**

An Bord Pleanála is the competent authority responsible for making the decision whether or not to grant the order, from which relevant information can be obtained and to which comments or questions can be submitted. An Bord Pleanála will consider any submissions by any persons, made in writing between 7th October 2022 and 5.30pm on 16th January 2023 and accompanied by a fee of €50 in relation to the draft Railway Order, the further information or in relation to the likely effects on the environment and the likely significant effects in the area concerned with European Sites if any, of the proposed railway works. This fee is not payable by certain prescribed bodies or by persons whose lands may be acquired under the draft Railway Order and shall also not be payable by any person who had already made and paid the fee for a submission between 7th October 2022 and 25th November 2022.

**Submissions must be lodged no later than 5.30pm on 16th January 2023** and must be addressed to An Bord Pleanála, 64 Marlborough Street, Dublin 1, D01 V902 and marked "Railway (Metrolink-Estuary to Charlemont via Dublin Airport) Order 2022". Submissions can also be made on the An Bord Pleanála website at the following address: <https://www.pleanala.ie/en-ie/observations>

**Oral Hearing**

An Bord Pleanála may, at its absolute discretion, hold an oral hearing into the application for a Railway Order, under section 42 of the Act.

**Judicial Review**

A person may question the validity of the decision of An Bord Pleanála by way of an application for judicial review in accordance with section 47 and 47A of the Transport (Railway Infrastructure) Act 2001 (as amended and substituted) and under Order 84 of the Rules of the Superior Courts, 1986 (as amended) (S.I. No. 15 of 1986 as amended) and practical information on the review mechanism can be accessed under the heading 'Legal Notices' – 'Judicial Review Notice' on the Board's website [www.pleanala.ie](http://www.pleanala.ie) or on the Citizen's Information website [www.citizeninformation.ie](http://www.citizeninformation.ie).

**Signed: Edel McCormack**

**Secretary to the Authority**

National Roads Authority (operating as Transport Infrastructure Ireland),  
Transport Infrastructure Ireland,  
Parkgate Business Centre,  
Parkgate Street,  
Dublin 8,  
D08 DK10,  
Ireland.  
25 November 2022.

**Further information is available from:**

Telephone: 1800 333 777

Postal: MetroLink, Transport Infrastructure Ireland,  
Parkgate Business Centre, Parkgate Street, Dublin 8, D08 DK10.

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