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AN BORD PLEANÁLA

AN tACHT IOMPAIR (BONNEAGAR IARNRÓID) 2001, (ARNA LÉASÚ AGUS ARNA IONADÚ)

IARRATAS Ó CHÓRAS IOMPAIR ÉIREANN AR ORDÚ IARNRÓID le haghaidh DART+ an Chósta Thuaidh [2024]

Cuirfidh Córas Iompair Éireann (CIÉ) trí na cumhachtaí a thugtar dó le halt 37 d'Acht Iompair (Bonneagar Iarnróid) 2001 (arna leasú agus arna ionadú) iarratas chuig An Bord Pleanála ar nó i ndiaidh an an 12 Iúil, 2024 le haghaidh Ordú Iarnróid le haghaidh DART+ an Chósta Thuaidh [2024]

Údaróidh an tOrdú Iarnróid, má thugtar é, Córas Iompair Éireann chun oibreacha iarnróid agus na hoibreacha ar fad atá riachtanach a dhéanamh chun cur ar chumas CIÉ iarnród a thógáil, a fheidhmiú, a chothabháil, agus a fheabhsú idir Lár Chathair Bhaile Átha Cliath agus Droichead Átha (circa 50km).

Go ginearálta, cuimsíonn na hoibreacha an méid seo a leanas ach níl siad teoranta dóibh:

Leathnú ar leictriú DC 1500V atá ann cheana, a chríochnaíonn faoi láthair i Mullach Íde, chomh fada le Stáisiún Mhic Ghiolla Bhríde, Droichead Átha (thart ar 37km); lena n-áirítear: Fotha, crainn agus línte lasnairde a shuiteáil chun cumhacht a sholáthar don iarnród; Tabhairt faoi uasghráduithe ar sholáthairtí comharthaíochta, talleachumarsáide agus cumhachta atá ann cheana chun tacú leis an méadú ar sheirbhísí traenach atá beartaithe; lena n-áirítear fóstáisiúin nua leictreacha a sholáthar ag suíomhanna tábhachtacha feadh líne an iarnróid i nDroichead Átha, Baile an Bhiataigh, Baile an Ghaill Mhóir, Baile Brigín, Na Sceirí ó Thuaidh, Na Sceirí ó Dheas, An Ros, Lusca, (clós cothabhála trealaimh líne lasnairde OHLE ag an suíomh seo), agus Domhnach Bat. feabhsuithe / modhnuithe a dhéanamh ar dhroichid a chiuimsíonn an t-iarnród a eascraíonn as athchumrú rianta agus / nó glanspás leictreach riachtanach a chomhlíonadh; modhnuithe a dhéanamh ar dhroichid áitiúla chun gur féidir OHLE a shocrú do dhroichid a iompraíonn an t-iarnród; Modhnuithe ar cheannbhrat Stáisiún Dhroichead Átha Mhic Giolla Bhríde chun freastal ar ghlangspáis OHLE; agus, Modhnuithe ar theorainneacha iarnróid chun an pobal a chosaint ó theagmháil a dhéanamh leis an líne lasnairde. Oibreacha bonneagair chun méadú ar mhínicíocht agus acmhainneacht na seirbhísí a éascú i réimsí sonracha idirghabhála lena n-áirítear: oibreacha timpeall Stáisiún Ghabhal Bhinn Éadair agus Dhomhnach Míde, oibreacha timpeall Stáisiún Chluain Ghrifín agus oibreacha timpeall Stáisiún agus Tarbhealach Mhullach Íde. oibreacha ar an gcósaire comhréidh úsáideora a bhfuil duine ina mbun atá ann cheana (XB001) ó dheas ó Dhomhnach Bat Oibreacha timpeall Stáisiún Mhic Ghiolla Bhríde Dhroichead Átha: Míonathruithe ar iostaí reatha i nDroichead Átha agus Fionnrhadharc chun tacú leis an bhflít traenach nua, lena n-áirítear soláthar stáblaí traenach breise i nDroichead Átha; Oibreacha sibhialta, atreorú fóntais, oibreacha draenála agus cumhachta chun freastal ar na hathruithe Tá na hoibreacha iarnróid beartaithe atá san áireamh san Ordú Iarnróid beartaithe faoi réir nós imeachta um measúnú tionchair timpeallachta de bhun an Achta.

Cuimsíonn an tOrdú Iarnróid, má thugtar é,údarás do CIÉ chun talamh, cearta i dtalamh, faoi thalamh nó ar thalamh, nó aon aerspás ar thalamhsónraithe san ordú a fháil go sealadach; chun talamh agus aerspás sonraithe san ordú a fháil agus a áitiú go sealadach, chun éasúintí agus cearta eile ar thalamh sonraithe san ordú a fháil; chun cearta poiblí agus/nó príobháideacha, cearta slí san áireamh, sonraithe san ordú a chealú; agus forálann sé cearta eile ar an talamh.

Cinntí a fhéadfadh an Bord Pleanála a dhéanamh faoin Ordú Iarnróid

Tar éis breithniú a dhéanamh ar an iarratas ar Ordú Iarnróid tá roinnt roghanna ar fáil don Bhor­d Pleanála maidir le cinneadh:

- Féadfar an tOrdú Iarnróid a cheadú agus a dhéanamh;
- Féadfar an tOrdú Iarnróid a dhíúltú; nó
- Féadfar an tOrdú Iarnróid a cheadú agus a chur faoi réir ag cibé coinníollacha, leasuithe, srianta agus ceanglais (agus cibé téarmaí eile) a mheasfaidh an Bord Pleanála a bheith cuí agus a shonróidh sé san ordú.

Beidh na doiciméid seo a leanas san áireamh san iarratas ar Ordú Iarnróid:

- Dréacht den Ordú Iarnróid beartaithe, dar teideal "Ordú Iarnród le haghaidh DART + an Chósta Thuaidh [2024]
- Plean de na hoibreacha iarnróid atá beartaithe agus na riachtanais talún don obair iarnróid;
- Leabhar tagartha don phlean a shonróidh aitheantas úinéirí agus áititheoirí na dtailte a bhfuil cur síos orthu sa phlean;
- Tuairisc maidir le Measúnacht Tionchair Timpeallachta (EIAR) a sholáthraíonn anailís agus measúnú córasach ar éifeachtaí suntasacha tionscadaíl atá beartaithe ar an timpeallacht ghlachtha; agus
- Ráiteas Tionchair Natura.

Iníuchadh a dhéanamh ar an Dréacht-Ordú Iarnróid agus na Doiciméid a ghabhann leis.

Féadfar cóip den Dréacht-Ordú Iarnróid agus na Doiciméid a ghabhann leis a fheiceáil ar:

www.dartcoastalnorthrailwayorder.ie ón 12 Iúil, 2024.

Féadfar cóip den Dréacht-Ordú um Iarnród agus doiciméid a ghabhann leis an iarratas a iniúchadh saor in aisce le linn gnáthuaire oifige nó oscailte ón 19 Iúil, 2024 go dtí an 20 Meán Fómhair 2024 sna háiteanna seo a leanas:

- An Bord Pleanála, 64 Sráid Mhaoilbhríde, Baile Átha Cliath, D01 V902;
- An Rannóg Pleanála, Comhairle Cathrach Bhaile Átha Cliath, Oifigi na Cathrach, An Ché Adhmaid, Baile Átha Cliath 8. D08 RF3F;
- Comhairle Contae Fhine Gall, Bóthar an Gharráin, Baile Bhliainséir, Baile Átha Cliath 15, D15 W638;
- An Rannóg Pleanála, Comhairle Contae na Mí, Teach Buinda, Bóthar Bhaile Átha Cliath, An Uaimh, Contae na Mí, C15 Y291;
- An Rannóg Pleanála, Comhairle Contae Lú, Halla an Chontae, Ionad na Millaoise, Dún Dealgan, Contae Lú, A91 KFW6
- Leabharlann Dhomhnach Míde, Ionad Siopadóireachta Dhomhnach Míde, Bóthar na Gránsí, Baile Átha Cliath 13, D13 XW28
- Leabharlann an Rois, Faiche an tSéipéil, An Ros, Contae Bhaile Átha Cliath, K56 ED95
- Leabharlann Bhaile Brigín, Cearnóg Sheoirse, Baile Brigín, Contae Bhaile Átha Cliath, K32 TW27
- Leabharlann Dhroichead Átha, Sráid Thobar an Stoic, Droichead Átha, Co. Lú Sráid Thobar an Stoic
- Iarnród Éireann Irish Rail, Stáisiún Uí Chonghaile, Sráid Amiens, Baile Átha Cliath 1, D01V6V6; agus
- Oifig Tionscadail DART+ an Iarthair, Oibreacha Inse Chór CIÉ, Paráid Inse Chór, Baile Átha Cliath 8, D08K6Y3.

Doiciméid a Cheannach

Féadfar cóipeanna no sleachta de na doiciméid a ghabhann leis an iarratas a cheannach ar tháille a ioc nach sáraíodh an costas réasúnach a bhaineann le cóip ná slíocht den sórt sin a dhéanamh ó: Oifig Tionscadail DART+ an Iarthair, Oibreacha Inse Chór CIÉ, Paráid Inse Chór, Baile Átha Cliath 8, D08K6Y3.

Féadfar iarratais cheannaigh den sórt sin a dhéanamh trí theagmháil a dhéanamh le: DARTCoastalNorth@irishrail.ie nó trí ghlaoch ar a chur ar (01) 233 4515.

Aighneachtaí i Scribhinn

Is é an Bord Pleanála an t-údarás inniúil atá freagrach as an gcinneadh a dhéanamh cibé acu a dheonófar nó nach ndeonófar an t-ordú, ónar féidir faisnéis ábhartha a fháil agus ar féidir tuairimí nó ceisteanna a chur faoina bhráid. Breithneoidh an Bord Pleanála aon aighneacht ó aon duine maidir leis an Ordú Iarnróid a bheartaitear nó maidir leis na héifeachtaí a d'fhéadfadh a bheith ag na hoibreacha iarnróid a bheartaitear ar an gcomhshaol, agus maidir leis na héifeachtaí suntasacha a d'fhéadfadh a bheith acu sa cheantar lena mbaineann ar Láithreáin Eorpacha, más ann dóibh, ar choinníoll go gcuirfear an aighneacht sin isteach i scribhinn idir an 19 Iúil, agus an 20 Meán Fómhair, 2024 agus táille €50 ina teannta. Níl an táille seo iniíochta ag comhlachtaí forordaithe áirithe nó ag daoine a bhféadfaí a gcuid tailte a fháil faoin dréacht-Ordú Iarnróid.

Ní mór aighneachtaí a thaisceadh tráth nach déanaí ná 5:30i.n. an 20 Meán Fómhair, 2024 agus ní mór iad a sheoladh chuig an mBord Pleanála, 64 Sráid Mhaoilbhríde, Baile Átha Cliath 1, D01V902 agus “Ordú Iarnród le haghaidh DART + an Chósta Thuaidh [2024]” marcáilte air. Is féidir aighneachtaí a dhéanamh freisin ar shuíomh gréasáin an Bhoird Pleanála ag an seoladh seo a leanas: https://www.pleanala.ie/en-ie/observations. I gcás daoine a bhféadfaí a dtailte a fháil faoin dréacht-Ordú Iarnróid, ní gá dóibh an táille a ioc, agus is féidir leo a dtuairimí a sheoladh trí ríomhphost (SIDS@pleanala.ie), tríd an bpost, nó de lámh go hOifigi an Bhoird Phleanála.

Éisteacht ó Bhéal

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

Athbhreithniú Breithiúnach

Féadfaidh duine bailíocht chinneadh an Bhoird Pleanála a cheistiú ar mhodh iarratais ar athbhreithniú breithiúnach de réir alt 47 agus 47A den Acht agus faoi Ordú 84 de Rialacha na nUaschúirteanna, 1986 (arna leasú) (S.I. Uimh. 15 de 1986), arna leasú. Is féidir teacht ar eolas praiticiúil faoin gcóras athbhreithnithe faoin gceannteideal ‘Foilseacháin – Fógra um Athbhreithniú Breithiúnach’ ar shuíomh gréasáin an Bhoird www.pleanala.ie nó ar shuíomh gréasáin ‘Faisnéis do Shaoaránaigh’ ar www.citizensinformation.ie.

Arna siníú ag: Geraldine Finucane

Rúnaí an Bhoird, Córas Iompair Éireann, Stáisiún Heuston, Baile Átha Cliath 8

Arna dhátú an 8 lá seo de mhí an Iúil, 2024

Tá tuilleadh eolais ar fáil ó:

Guthán: (01) 233 4515

Tríd an bPost

Oifig Thionscadal: DART+ an Chósta Thuaidh, CIÉ Iarnród Éireann, Oibreacha Inse Chór, Paráid Inse Chór, Baile Átha Cliath 8, D08 K6Y3.

Ríomhphost: DARTCoastalNorth@irishrail.ie

Website: www.dartcoastalnorthrailwayorder.ie

AN BORD PLEANÁLA

TRANSPORT (RAILWAY INFRASTRUCTURE) ACT 2001 (AS AMENDED AND SUBSTITUTED);

Application by Córas Iompair Éireann for a Railway Order for DART+ Coastal North [2024]

Córas Iompair Éireann (CIÉ) in exercise of its powers conferred upon it by Section 37 of the Transport (Railway Infrastructure) Act 2001 (as amended and substituted) (“the Act”) will apply on or after July 12th, 2024 to An Bord Pleanála for a Railway Order for DART+ Coastal North [2024].

The Railway Order, if granted, will authorise CIÉ to carry out railway works and all works necessary to enable the construction, operation, maintenance and improvement of the railway between Dublin City Centre and Drogheda (circa 50km).

The works will generally comprise, but are not limited to:

Extension of existing 1500V DC electrification, which currently terminates at Malahide, as far as Drogheda MacBride Station (approximately 37km); this includes: The installation of foundations, masts, and overhead wires to supply power to the railway; Undertaking upgrades to existing signalling, telecoms, and power supplies to support the planned increase in train services, including the introduction of new electrical substations at key locations alongside the railway line at Drogheda, Bettystown, Gormanston, Balbriggan, Skerries North, Skerries South, Rush & Lusk (this location also incorporates an overhead line equipment (OHLE) maintenance compound), and Donabate; Undertaking improvements / modifications to bridges spanning the railway arising from track reconfigurations and / or meeting required electrical clearances; Undertaking localised bridge modifications to enable OHLE to be fixed to bridges carrying the railway; Canopy modifications at Drogheda MacBride Station to accommodate OHLE clearances; and, Modified railway boundary fences to protect the public from contacting the overhead line. Infrastructure works to facilitate the increase in service frequency and capacity, in specific areas of intervention including: Works around Howth Junction & Donaghmede Station; Works around Clongriffin Station; Works around Malahide Station & Viaduct; Works to the existing user worked level crossing (XB001) south of Donabate; and, Works around Drogheda MacBride Station. Modifications to existing depots at Drogheda and Fairview to support the new train fleet, including the provision of additional train stabling at Drogheda. Ancillary civils, utility diversions, drainage, and power work to cater for the changes.

The proposed railway works covered by the proposed Railway Order are subject to an environmental impact assessment procedure pursuant to the Act. The Railway Order, if granted also includes powers for CIÉ to acquire compulsorily land or rights in, under or over land or any airspace over land specified in the order; to temporarily acquire and occupy land and airspace 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 the land.

Potential decisions on the Railway Order open to An Bord Pleanála

Further to consideration of the application for a Railway Order there are a number of decision options available to An Bord Pleanála:

- The Railway Order may be approved and made;
- The Railway Order may be refused; or
- The Railway Order may be approved and made subject to such conditions, modifications, restrictions and requirements (and on such other terms) as An Bord Pleanála thinks proper and specifies in the order

The Railway Order application will include the following documentation:

- A draft of the proposed Railway Order, entitled “DART+ Coastal North Railway Order [2024]”;
- A plan of the proposed railway works and the land requirements for the railway work;
- A book of reference to the plan indicating the identity of the owners and occupiers of the lands described in the plan;
- An Environmental Impact Assessment Report (EIAR), providing a systematic analysis and assessment of the significant effects of a proposed project on the receiving environment; and
- A Natura Impact Statement.

Inspection of the draft Railway Order and accompanying documentation

A copy of the draft Railway Order and the documentation accompanying the application may be viewed at:

www.dartcoastalnorthrailwayorder.ie from July 12th, 2024.

A copy of the draft Railway Order and the documentation accompanying the application may also be inspected free of charge during the normal office or opening hours from July 19th, 2024 until September 20th, 2024 at:

- An Bord Pleanála, 64 Marlborough Street, Dublin 1, D01 V902;
- Planning Department, Dublin City Council, Civic Office, Wood Quay, Dublin 8, D08 RF3F;
- Planning Department, Fingal County Council, County Hall, Main Street, Swords, County Dublin, K67 X8Y2
- Fingal County Council, Grove Road, Blanchardstown, Dublin 15, D15 W638
- Planning Department, Meath County Council, Buvinda House, Dublin Road, Navan, County Meath, C15 Y291
- Planning Department, Louth County Council, County Hall, Millennium Centre, Dundalk, County Louth, A91 KFW6
- Donaghmede Library, Donaghmede Shopping Centre, Grange Road, Dublin 13, D13 XW28
- Rush Library, Chapel Green, Rush, County Dublin, K56 ED95
- Balbriggan Library, Saint George’s Square, Balbriggan, County Dublin, K32 TW27
- Drogheda Library, Stockwell Lane, Drogheda, County Louth, A92 PY20
- Iarnród Éireann, Connolly Station, Amiens Street, Dublin 1, D01 V6V6; and
- DART+ Coastal North Project Office, CIÉ Inchicore Works, Inchicore Parade, Dublin 8, D08 K6Y3.

Purchase of Documentation

Copies or extracts from the documentation accompanying the application for the Railway Order may be purchased on payment of a fee not exceeding the reasonable cost of making such copy or extract from; DART+ Coastal North Project Office, CIÉ Inchicore Works, Inchicore Parade, Dublin 8, D08 K6Y3. Such purchase requests may be made by contacting DARTCoastalNorth@irishrail.ie or by telephoning (01) 233 4515.

Written Submissions

An Bord Pleanála is the competent authority responsible for granting or refusing 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 from July 19th 2024 until September 20th, 2024 and accompanied by a fee of €50, in relation to the draft Railway Order, 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.

Submissions must be lodged no later than 5:30p.m. on September 20th, 2024, and must be addressed to An Bord Pleanála, 64 Marlborough Street, Dublin 1, D01V902 and marked “DART+ Coastal North Railway Order 2024.” Submissions can also be made on the website of An Bord Pleanála at the following address: www.pleanala.ie/en-ie/observations. Persons whose lands may be acquired under the draft Railway Order are not required to pay a fee and can send their observation by email (SIDS@pleanala.ie), by post, or by hand to the offices of An Bord Pleanála.

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 section 47A of the Act and under Order 84 of the Rules of the Superior Courts, 1986 (as amended) (S.I. No. 15 of 1986 as amended). Practical information on the review mechanism can be accessed under the heading ‘Publications - Judicial Review Notice’ on the Board’s website www.pleanala.ie or on the Citizen’s Information website www.citizensinformation.ie.

Signed: Geraldine Finucane

Secretary to the Board of Córas Iompair Éireann, Heuston Station, Dublin 8

Dated this July 8th, 2024

Further information is available from:
Telephone: (01) 233 4515

Postal: DART+ Coastal North Project Office, CIÉ Iarnród Éireann, Inchicore Works, Inchicore Parade, Dublin 8, D08 K6Y3.

Email: DARTCoastalNorth@irishrail.ie.

Website: www.dartcoastalnorthrailwayorder.ie