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# **METROLINK**

# **AN BORD PLEANÁLA** AN TACHT IOMPAIR (BONNEAGAR IARNRÓID) 2001 (ARNA LEASÚ AGUS ARNA FHIONRAÍODH)

Iarratas ón Údarás um Bóithre Náisiúnta (a fheidhmíonn mar Bhonneagar Iompair Éireann) ar an Ordú Iarnróid (Metrolink – Inbhear go Charlemont trí Aerfort Bhaile Átha Cliath) [2022].

I bhfeidhmiú na gcumhachtaí a thugtar dó le hAlt 37 den Acht Iompair (Bonneagar Iarnróid) 2001 (arna leasú agus arna ionadú), beidh feidhm ag an Údarás um Bóithre Náisiúnta (ag feidhmiú mar Bhonneagar Iompair Éireann) ("an tAcht") ar an 30 Meán Fómhair 2022 nó dá éis chuig an mBord Pleanála ar Ordú Jarnróid don Jarnróid (Metrolink – Inbhear go dtí Charlemont trí Aerfort Bhaile Átha Cliath) [2022] de bhun forálacha an Achta sin .

Údarófar leis an Ordú Jarnróid, má dheonaítear é, don Údarás um Bóithre Náisiúnta (a oibríonn mar Bhonneagar Iompar 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 rudaí eile, tógáil iarnród agus meitreo leithscartha go hiomlán agus uathoibrithe den chuid is mó faoi thalamh thart ar 18.8km ar fad le 16 stáisiún ag rith ó thuaidh de Shoird ag Inbhear trí Sord, Aerfort Bhaile Átha Cliath, Baile Munna, Glas Naíon, 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 ritheann faoi Lár na Cathrach Bhaile Átha Cliath a ritheann ó Charlemont go Stáisiún na Coille Thuaidh agus cuid 2.3km de thollán tollta singil a ritheann faoi Aerfort Bhaile Átha Cliath. I measc na gcodanna tolláin tá saoráidí rochtana idirghabhála le haghaidh seirbhísí 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 chlúdaigh go Stáisiún an Inbhir. Áireofar créfoirt, úsáid struchtúir ghearrtha agus chlúdaigh coinnithe, codanna ardaithe 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 ilréise 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 Choileáin, Páirc Uí Ghríofa, Glas Naíon, an Mater, Sráid Uí Chonaill, Sráid na Teamhrach, Faiche Stiabhna agus Charlemont' 4 stáisiún gearrtha coinnithe ag Baile na Mara, Baile Shoird, Baile an Fhoraistéaraigh 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 mheidh na háiseanna go léir a theastaíonn chun an MetroLink agus ar a rothstoc agus ar an Lárionad Rialaithe Oibriúcháin 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 tráchta sealadach agus atreoraithe bóithre; bealaí rochtana nua agus leasaithe agus feabhsúcháin ar acomhail bóithre: atreorú na bhfóntas atá ann cheana: bonneagai draenála nua a sholáthar; soláthar bearta maolaithe comhshaoil; agus modhnaithe bonneagair eile chun an tionscadal iomlán a éascú.

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 éasúintí agus cearta eile ar thalamh a shonraítear san ordú a fháil: cearta poiblí agus/nó príobháideacha lena n-áirítear cearta slí atá sonraithe 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 nós imeachta measúnaithe tionchair timpeallachta de bhun an Achta agus cuirfear isteach Ráiteas Tionchair Natura freisin.

## Cinntí féideartha ar an Ordú Iarnróid oscailte don Bhord Pleanála

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

- Féadfar an tOrdú Iarnróid a cheadú agus a dhéanamh;
- Féadfar an tOrdú Iarnróid a dhiúltú: nó
- Féadfar an tOrdú Iarnróid a cheadú agus a dhéanamh faoi réir cibé coinníollacha, modhnaithe, srianta agus ceanglais (agus ar cibé téarmaí eile) is cuí leis an mBord Pleanála agus a shonróidh sé san ordú.

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

- 1. Dréacht den Ordú Iarnróid beartaithe, dar teideal "Ordú Iarnróid (Metrolink-Inbhear go Charlemont trí Aerfort Bhaile Átha Cliath) [2022]"
- 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. Tuarascáil ar Mheasúnú Tionchair Timpeallachta (TMTT), a sholáthraíonn anailís agus measúnú córasach ar éifeachtaí suntasacha tionscadail bheartaithe ar an gcomhshaol glactha:
- 5. Ráiteas Tionchair Natura

# **AN BORD PLEANÁLA TRANSPORT (RAILWAY INFRASTRUCTURE) ACT 2001** (AS AMENDED AND SUBSTITUTED)

Application by the National Roads Authority (operating as Transport Infrastructure Ireland) for the Railway (Metrolink-Estuary to Charlemont via Dublin Airport) Order [2022].

The National Roads Authority (operating as Transport Infrastructure Ireland) in exercise of the 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 the 30th September 2022 to An Bord Pleanála for a Railway Order for the Railway (Metrolink-Estuary to Charlemont via Dublin Airport) Order [2022] pursuant to the provisions of the said Act.

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 Dublir

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

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

# 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 supporting documentation accompanying the Railway Order application will include

- 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.

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## Iniúchadh ar an dréacht-Ordú Iarnróid agus ar na doiciméid a ghabhann leis

Féadfar cóip den dréacht-Ordú larnróid agus den doiciméadacht a ghabhann leis an iarratas a iniúchadh saor in aisce le linn gnáthuaireanta oifige nó oscailte ón 7 Deireadh Fómhair 2022 go dtí an 25 Samhain 2022 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:
- 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 Claith 8, D08 DK10;
- 5. Oifigí an tÚdarás Naisiúnta 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 agus na doiciméid a ghabhann leis an iarratas a fheiceáil ar: https://www.metrolinkro.ie ó 29 Meán Fómhair 2022.

### Doiciméadúcháin a Cheannach

Féadfar cóipeanna nó sleachta as na doiciméid a ghabhann leis an iarratas ar an Ordú Iarnróid 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 Claith 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 Claith 8, D08 DK10 nó ar 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 ndeonófar nó nach ndeonófar an t-ordú, ónar féidir faisnéis ábhartha a fháil agus ónar féidir tuairimí nó ceisteanna a chur isteach. Breithneoidh an Bord Pleanála aon aighneachtaí ó aon daoine. a dhéanfar i scríbhinn ón 7 Deireadh Fómhair 2022 go dtí 5.30in ar an 25 Samhain 2022 agus beidh táille €50 ag gabháil leo i ndáil leis an dréacht-Ordú Iarnróid, nó i ndáil leis na héifeachtaí dóchúla ar an gcomhshaol agus ar an tionchar suntasach dóchúil a bheidh ag na hoibreacha iarnróid atá beartaithe sa limistéar lena mbaineann le Láithreáin Eorpacha. más ann dóibh. Níl an táille seo iníoctha ag comhlachtaí forordaithe áirithe nó ag daoine a bhféadfar a gcuid tailte a fháil faoin dréacht-Ordú Iarnróid.

Ní mór aighneachtaí a chur isteach tráth nach déanaí ná 5.30in ar an 25 Samhain 2022 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: <a href="https://www.pleanala.ie/en-ie/observations">https://www.pleanala.ie/en-ie/observations</a>

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

Féadfaidh duine bailíocht chinneadh 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 phraiticiúil faoin meicníocht athbhreithnithe faoin gceannteideal 'Fógraí Dlí' - 'Fógra Athbhreithnithe Bhreithiúnaigh' ar shuíomh gréasáin an Bhoird <u>www.pleanala.ie</u> nó ar an suíomh gréasáin um Fhaisnéis do Shaoránaigh <u>www.citizeninformation.ie</u>.

## Sínithe: 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.

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# 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 Claith 8, D08 DK10.

Ríomhphost: info@metrolink.ie

Suíomh gréasáin: www.metrolinkro.ie

### Inspection of the draft Railway Order and accompanying documentation

A copy of the draft Railway Order and the documentation accompanying the application may be inspected free of charge during normal office or opening hours from 7th October 2022 until the 25th November 2022 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,
- 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 and the documentation accompanying the application may also be viewed at: https://www.metrolinkro.ie from the 29th September 2022.

### **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:

• 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 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 from 7th October 2022 to 5.30pm on 25th November 2022 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 5.30pm on 25th November 2022 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

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.

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 or on the Citizen's Information website www.citizeninformation.ie

# Signed: Edel McCormack

# Secretary to the Authority

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Further information is available from:

Telephone: 1800 333 777

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

Email: info@metrolink.ie

Website: www.metrolinkro.ie