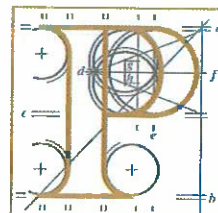


Our Case Number: ABP-310286-21

Your Reference: Coras Iompair Éireann



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Jacobs Engineering
C/O Rory McDonnell
Artola House, 3rd & 4th Floors
91 Victoria Street
Belfast
BT1 4PB
Northern Ireland

Date: 05 September 2022

Re: Railway works and all works necessary to eliminate and, where necessary, upgrade seven numbered level crossings and carry out all associated and ancillary works along a 24-kilometre section of the Dublin to Cork Railway Line.
Fantstown, Thomastown, Ballyhay, Newtown, Ballycoskery (Ballyhea Village), Shinanagh and Buttevant, Co. Cork and Co. Limerick.

Dear Sir / Madam,

In accordance with section 134 (1) of the Planning and Development Act, 2000, as amended, An Bord Pleanála has decided to hold an oral hearing in relation to the above-mentioned proposed development.

In this regard a Senior Planning Inspector has been instructed by the Board to conduct an oral hearing.

The arrangements for the opening of the oral hearing are as follows:

Start date: Tuesday 27th September 2022.
Start time: 10 a.m.
Location: Longcourt House Hotel, Newcastle West, Co. Limerick.
No. of Days hearing will sit: To be determined.

Please also note that the Board is arranging for the services on an audio technician for the purposes of recording the evidence given at the hearing.

If you wish to participate at the oral hearing you **must** complete and return the attached form by **Monday 12th September 2022**. The applicant should also complete this form.

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Glaio Áitiúil	LoCall	1890 275 175
Facs	Fax	(01) 872 2684
Láithreán Gréasáin	Website	www.pleanala.ie
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64 Sráid Maoilbhríde	64 Marlborough Street
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D01 V902	D01 V902

If you do not register your intention to participate, submissions to the oral hearing will only be heard at the Inspector's discretion and if time allows.

To complete the form you can:

- Download the form from our website at <https://www.pleanala.ie/en-ie/latest-news/abp-310286-21-oral-hearing-registration>
- You can then type in the information and email back to us at sids@pleanala.ie or
- Complete the form attached to this letter. You can complete the form by hand and post back to us - Doina Chiforescu, An Bord Pleanála, 64 Marlborough Street, Dublin 1, D01 V902.

Preparing your submission:

Any documents or written submissions that we have already received **should not** be repeated at the oral hearing. The Inspector will have already read this information and normally they do not need to receive this information again. Any legal submissions must be part of the substantive submissions to the hearing. If you repeat information at the oral hearing that is not necessary, the Inspector may stop you and ask you to move on to another topic.

You should consider in advance what questions you might wish to pose to the applicant and prepare a list of potential questions which you can ask if you feel that they have not been already answered.

Submissions presented to this oral hearing will be recorded by a service provider organised by An Bord Pleanála. You are not permitted to record the proceedings of the oral hearing.

Copies of documents for viewing:

Copies of the submissions that An Bord Pleanála has received as well as all other documents and correspondence about the case can be viewed before and during the oral hearing at:

- Cork County Council's offices
- Limerick City and County Council's offices, and
- An Bord Pleanála, 64 Marlborough Street, Dublin 1, D01 V902.

A copy of all correspondence can also be viewed during the oral hearing at the oral hearing venue.

Further information:

For further information on oral hearings you can read the "oral hearing guide" which is available on www.pleanala.ie or by contacting the offices of An Bord Pleanála.

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Information for the Applicant:

The information already submitted should not be repeated. Your submission should deal specifically with the following matters:

- A brief summary of the proposed development (15 minutes max).
- Respond to the submissions received by the Board.

What happens next?

After 13th September 2022, An Bord Pleanála will prepare and send out the agenda and schedule for the oral hearing.

Queries:

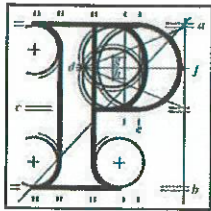
If you have any queries regarding this oral hearing, please contact the undersigned officer of the Board. Please quote the above mentioned An Bord Pleanála reference number in any correspondence or telephone contact with the Board.

Yours faithfully,



Doina Chiforescu
Executive Officer
Direct Line: 01-8737133

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Registration form for participation in an oral hearing

Part 1: Details about you and if you are taking part in the oral hearing

Case details

1. An Bord Pleanála's case reference number (for example: ABP-300000-19)

ABP-310286-21

Your details

2. Your full details:

(a) Name

(b) Address

3. Agent's details (if applicable)

If an agent is acting for you, please **also** provide their details below. If you are not using an agent, please write "Not applicable" below.

Agent's name

Are you taking part in the oral hearing?

4. If you wish to take part in the oral hearing, please tick the **"Yes, I wish to take part in the oral hearing"** box below. Then please provide the details of your submission in Part 2.

If you do not wish to take part in the oral hearing, please tick the **"No, I do not wish to take part in the oral hearing"** box. Then please send this form back to us either by email or by post using the details provided in the letter we have sent you.

Yes, I wish to take part in the oral hearing

☐

No, I do not wish to take part in the oral hearing

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Accessibility requirements

5. Do you or a member of your group have any accessibility requirements that we may need to facilitate you at the hearing? Examples include Irish Sign Language Interpretation, Accessible Car Park Space, or facilities for Guide or Assistance Dogs.

Yes

☐

No

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(please provide details below)

If yes, please write what assistance you require at the oral hearing. If you do not wish to put the details on this form, please contact the [case officer](#) or [Access officer](#) for further help.

Part 2: Information about your submission to the oral hearing

6. Please provide details about your submission to the oral hearing

(a) Do you intend to ask questions?

Yes

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No

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(b) Are you intending to have a specialist or other person make a submission on your behalf?

Yes

(please provide details below)

☐

No

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If yes to question 6(b), provide details of the name(s) and specialism(s) for example Planning Consultant. Please attach additional pages if required.

(c) How long do you think your submission and questions will take?
(in minutes)

(for example: 30 minutes) Please note that the time allocated to you will be at the discretion of the Inspector and will include time for questions.

(d) If you are an observer, are you joining with another observer or observers to present your submission together as a group?

Yes

(please provide details below)

☐

No

☐

If yes to question 6(d), please indicate with what other observer or observers you are joining together with

Rules for participating at oral hearings

7. Before you send this form back please read the rules for participating at oral hearings. This document may have been sent to you, or is available at: www.pleanala.ie/en-ie/oral-hearings or by contacting us. When you have read the rules please sign the box below to confirm that you have read, understood and accept the rules.

I have read and understood the rules for participating in the An Bord Pleanála oral hearing that I or my group will be attending. I agree to accept and follow the rules on my behalf and for those that are attending with me.

Data Protection

An Bord Pleanála uses your personal data only to provide our services as set out under relevant legislation.

To provide these services, we are required to collect certain personal data such as names, addresses and site descriptions. We will use any extra personal data that you voluntarily supply to meet statutory requirements to carry out our duties and functions.

You should note that the personal data you supply will be circulated to other relevant parties and made available in the public domain about any matter before An Bord Pleanála. This use complies with the General Data Protection Regulations (GDPR).