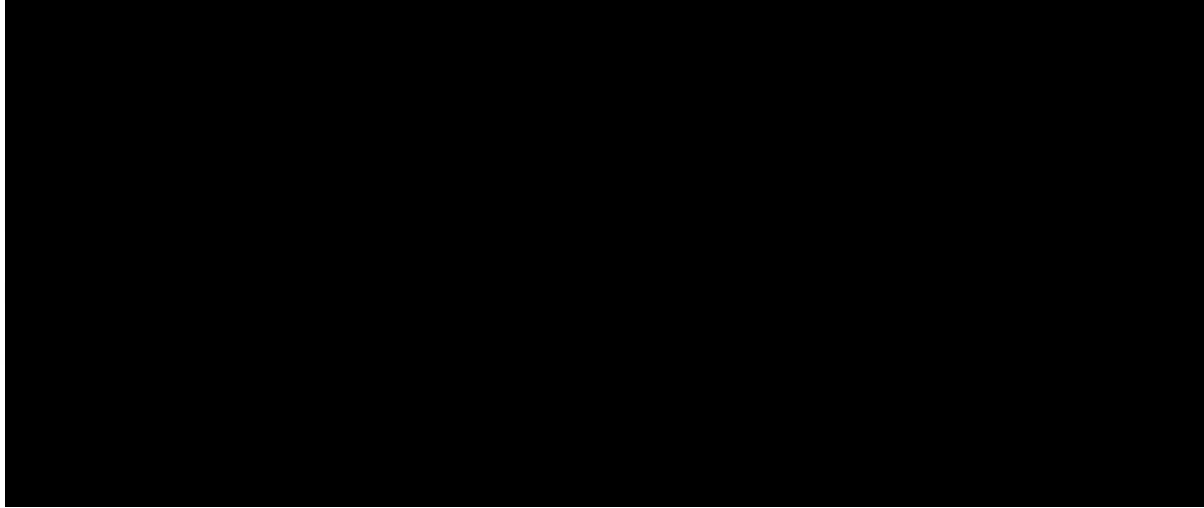


**DTTaS & NTA Funding Monitoring Meetings**

**Executive Summary Report for  
26th November 2014**

**Iarnród Éireann & DTTaS**

**NTA Conference Room,  
Dun Scéine, Iveagh Court  
Harcourt Lane, 11:00**



**23. Dart Expansion**  
**23a. DART Underground Railway Order & Route Protection**

**Project Description:** To allow for the continued effective control and safeguarding of the DART Underground Railway Order and route during the deferral period up to 2015. This is the timeframe indicated by Government when DART Underground will be re-considered under the next Capital Investment Programme.

**Financial & Timescale:**

Financial Summary (€'000)						Timescale	
Amount Approved	Actual to Date	Estimate at Completion	Variance	CPI	Contingency Utilisation	Planned Completion	Actual/ Forecast Completion
1,350 <sup>Note 1</sup>	887	1,350	0	1.0	62%	Dec 15	Dec 15

**Note 1:** Final authorisation of Scope Change and reduced Expenditure was issued by CIE on 29<sup>th</sup> July 2014.

**Progress:**

The route of the project is being monitored to ensure it remains safeguarded. Planning applications along the route are being assessed to ensure the integrity of the scheme is not compromised.

The EU Innovation and Networks Executive Agency will conduct a financial audit of DART Underground from 19<sup>th</sup> to 21<sup>st</sup> November 2014, to verify the costs declared for which EU TEN-T funding was provided.

**Milestones in Next 3 Months:**

- Prepare for and assist in financial audit
- Continued monitoring and response to planning applications along the route
- Address issues arising from National Transport Authority and the Department of Transport, Tourism and Sport, as requested.



**Progress:**

AECOM are in the process of preparing of the DART Underground Business Case. To date the following elements of the commission have been delivered:

- Business Case Needs and Objectives – Delivery Statement;
- Alternatives & Options Report;
- Scenario Development Assumption Log;
- Cost Review and Update; and
- Transport Modelling Report

AECOM are currently validating the rail passenger demand model outputs. Preliminary findings indicate that public transport demand in the current NTA model is significantly lower than predicted in the previous NTA model. This is possibly due to two main factors, those being (1) significant changes in the integrated public transport rail network (Heavy Rail, Metro and Luas) previously proposed under Transport 21 and (2) lower passenger demand predictions by the current NTA model due to a revised population distribution strategy. In order to investigate this matter AECOM will:

1. Prepare a "shadow model": this investigates the impacts of the changes in the proposed public transport network since the previous business case was developed.
2. Assess the land use patterns in the NTA model with a view to verify or otherwise the development intensity in the model.

This additional work will impact on budget (this can be accommodated within contingency) and extend the programme by 6 weeks.

Milestones in Next 3 Months:

- Prepare the 'shadow model' and assess land use patterns in the NTA model.
- Conduct necessary financial and economic appraisals for business case
- Prepare business case report in accordance with Public Spending Code Guidelines.

**Risk:**

- A lower predicted demand in NTA model will negatively impact on business case.
- Delivery of Business Case to the National Transport Authority and the Department of Transport, Tourism and Sport is required by February 2015.

#### 24. Cashflow 2014

	<b>Actual Claim to P9 €m</b>	<b>Budgeted Claim to P9 €m</b>	<b>Variance €m</b>
National Transport Authority	9.386	15.952	-6.566
Dept. of TT&S (enhancement only)*	4.224	2.873	1.351
Railway Safety Fund*			
Dept. of TT&S (Severe Weather Damage)	1.494	0	1.494
Dept. of TT&S Accessibility	0.545	0.561	-0.016
<b>Total</b>	<b>15.649</b>	<b>19.386</b>	<b>-3.737</b>

The 2014 Cashflow for Period 9 were met.

\* The MAC payment schedule has now commenced. Only claims on DTTaS funded enhancement projects will be included henceforth.

#### 25. Projects approved by Board, awaiting Funding Approval

None.

**Manager, Operations & New Works,  
Inchicore.**

\* New Works Executive Summary is included as Appendix 2

