



## Minutes of Special Board Meeting

**Held by video conference on Thursday 1 April 2021**

**Present:** Mr Fred Barry (Chairperson), Ms Anne Graham (CEO), Mr Hugh Creegan (Deputy CEO); Mr David Gray; Mr Pat Mangan, Ms Ann Fitzgerald, Mr Frank O'Connor, Mr Brian McCormick.

**Apologies:** Mr Owen Keegan (CEO, Dublin City Council)

**Staff in attendance:** Mr Philip L'Estrange, Director, Finance & Corporate Services / Board Secretary; Mr Tim Gaston, Director, Public Transport Services; Dr Declan Sheehan, Chief Information Officer; Mr Bernard Higgins, Director, Transport Technology; Mr Eoin Gillard, Head of Public Transport Investment; Ms Freda Quinlan, Senior Capital Finance Manager (Items 2 & 3); Mr Barry Dorgan, Head of Transport Technology Systems (Item 3); Karl Seeber (Minutes).

**Others in attendance:** None.

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### **1. Declarations of Interest**

None.

### **2. Preliminary Business Case for DART+ to proceed through Decision Gate 1**

Following a presentation by Mr Gillard and subsequent discussion, the Board gave its approval for the submission of the Preliminary Business Case and DART+ Fleet Project Brief and Procurement Strategy to the Department of Transport for the purposes of obtaining Government authorisation to issue Decision Gate 3 approval for the fleet element of the DART+ Programme, subject to a number of changes. It was noted that this would allow for the award of the fleet framework contract and the placement of the first fleet order.

It was noted that subject to receipt of Government authorisation, a second decision will then be sought from the Board to grant Decision Gate 3 approval in respect of the fleet framework agreement and the initial order.

### **3. Preliminary Business Case for Next Generation Automatic Vehicle Location (AVL) to proceed through Decision Gate 1**

Following presentations by Mr Dorgan and Ms Quinlan and subsequent discussion, the Board gave approval for the project to proceed through Decision Gate 1 under the Public Spending Code, permitting the preparation of a Project Brief and Procurement Strategy for the NG AVL project, subject to the recommendations and items raised in the assessment of the Preliminary Business Case being addressed in the Final Business Case for the project.

**4. Any other business**

None.

**Next Meeting: Friday 16 April 2021 @ 10.30am.**

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_  
**Chairperson**

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_