

NOTICE PURSUANT TO: SECTION 51(2) of THE ROADS ACT 1993 (AS AMENDED).

**CORK COUNTY COUNCIL
N25 LITTLE ISLAND PEDESTRIAN AND CYCLE BRIDGE**

Notice of Application to An Bord Pleanála for Approval

Notice is hereby given that Cork County Council proposes to seek the approval of An Bord Pleanála for the proposed development of a pedestrian and cyclist bridge over the N25 and the Cork City to Midleton Cobh railway line from Little Island train station to Eastgate Business Park within the townlands of Kilcoolishal and Castleview at Little Island, Co. Cork.

The Proposed Development involves the construction of a 5m wide pedestrian and cycle crossing from Little Island Train station and the L3004 Glounthaune Road to the Eastgate Business Park and surrounds. The crossing will comprise of:

- Sections of at grade footway/cycleway at north and south tie ins and upgrades to existing paths.
- Sections of vegetated green embankments at the north and south tie ins.
- Elevated concrete structures over the northern amenity park area adjacent the L3004 Glounthaune Road and the wooded area between the N25 and the Radisson Blu Hotel.
- A single span steel bridge structure over the N25
- A 2-span concrete structure through Irish Rail lands.
- Upgrades to the northern amenity park area adjacent to the L3004 Glounthaune Road.
- Planting of trees and vegetation surrounding the works.

The crossing length is approximately 460m in total and a minimum width of 5m will be provided.

The need for the Proposed Development has been determined based upon the following studies:

- Little Island Pedestrian / Cycle Bridge - High Level Feasibility Study (December 2016);
- Cork Metropolitan Area Cycle Plan 2017; and
- N25 Little Island Pedestrian and Cycle Bridge Feasibility Report.

An Environmental Impact Assessment Report has been prepared in respect of the Proposed Development.

An Bord Pleanála may give approval to the application for development with or without conditions or may refuse the application for development.

A copy of the Environmental Impact Assessment Report and the Plans & Particulars of the Proposed Development may be inspected free of charge or purchased (at a cost of €60) between the hours of 9am to 1pm and 2pm to 4pm Monday to Friday (exclusive of public holidays), for the period 21st September 2023 until 2nd November 2023 (inclusive of both days) at:

- The Planning Section, Cork County Council, County Hall, Cork, T12 R2NC

A copy of the Environmental Impact Assessment Report and the Plans & Particulars of the Proposed Development are also available on the consultation website of Cork County Council at <https://www.corkcoco.ie/en/resident/planning-and-development/public-consultations>

Submissions and observations may be made in writing to An Bord Pleanála, 64 Marlborough Street, Dublin, D01 V902 on or before 4.30pm 2nd November 2023 in relation to:

- 1) The implications of the Proposed Development for proper planning and sustainable development in the area concerned;
- 2) The likely effects on the environment of the Proposed Development; and
- 3) The likely significant effects of the Proposed Development on a European Site, if carried out.

A person may question the validity of any such decision by An Bord Pleanála by way of an application for judicial review under Order 84 of the Rules of the Superior Courts (S.I. No. 15 of 1986) in accordance with Section 50 of the Planning and Development Act, 2000, as amended. Practical information on the review mechanism can be accessed on the Board's website www.pleanala.ie or on the Citizens Information website www.citizensinformation.ie

Dated this 15th September 2023

Senior Engineer

Cork County Council