



Consideration of application to adjust cash, Leap and pre-paid fares including monthlies and annual fares from Dublin Bus, Iarnród Éireann, Bus Éireann and TII (Luas) with effect from 1 December 2017

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1. Summary

The National Transport Authority (the Authority) has statutory responsibility for securing the provision of public transport services as outlined in the Dublin Transport Authority Act 2008. The Act gives the Authority responsibility for setting the public transport fares. This fares determination sets out the fares for the four main PSO public transport operators namely Dublin Bus, Bus Éireann, Iarnród Éireann and Luas from 1 December 2017. This determination also applies to the services operated by Go-Ahead in Dublin and will apply to the Bus Éireann services currently being tendered and due to operate in 2018. Where reference is made to Dublin Bus or Bus Éireann in this document it also includes Go-Ahead and any other new operator.

Fare determinations adjust fares both upwards and downwards to ensure that the travelling public pays a fare relative to the distance they travel and journey they experience and that the operators are in a position to provide a safe and reliable service.

The recently launched BusConnects plan earlier this year will see the transformation of Dublin's bus system, so that journeys by bus will be fast, reliable, punctual, convenient and affordable. To carry out this plan a revised fare structure is required for transport in the city which will easily allow seamless movement between different transport services without financial penalty. This fares determination takes the first steps toward this new fare structure by adjusting slightly a number of Dublin Bus and Luas fares to move towards an even simpler fare structure over a number of years.

The Authority is conscious of the cost of travel for young families and has introduced a number of measures over the past few years such as extending the age one can avail of child fares. Now the Authority are providing another year of free travel to young children by determining that all children under the age of 5 will be entitled to free travel on PSO subsidised public transport.

A summary of the main changes by operator:

➤ **Dublin Bus**

- For the third year in a row fare increases have been modest with a number of the main Leap fares unchanged and any increase in cash single fares can be avoided by availing of the lower Leap fares.
- Adult Leap no change for 1-3 stages and 13+ stages along with cash 13+ stages and schoolchild cash fare.
- Other adult Leap and cash fares up by up to 5.6% and schoolchild Leap up 1 cent.
- Higher child fare drops 5 cent while lowest child fare increases by 5 cent
- Nitelink, ramblers, monthlies & annuals up 1.4% to 2.0%
- City centre fare to be withdrawn by end January 2018

➤ **Luas**

- Introduce a city centre off-peak €1.00 fare for one year to celebrate the launch of Luas CrossCity.
- Introduce an evening peak from 16:00 to 19:00 and extend the morning peak from 07:00 to 10:00.
- Adjust adult single fares with a view to facilitating the introduction of a short distance and a longer distance fare as part of Bus Connects with fare adjusted between 0% and 5%.
- No change to child leap or cash single or return fares.
- Increase 1-day, 7-day and 30-day fares by between 1.4% and just under 5%.
- Monthly and annual up by 10% to €110 and €1,100 respectively. This is only the second increase since January 2013 and this ticket still offers excellent value.

➤ **Iarnród Éireann**

- Adjust the fare structure for the Cork commuter lines reducing the number of fares zones from 5 to 3 and adjusting the origin-destinations to reflect a more distance based pricing structure
- After no increase in SHZ fares for 2017 fares increase by between 0% and 4.6%
- SHZ and intercity Tax saver fares to increase by 0.5% to 1.6%
- Most intercity express single fares reduced by 5%
- Many economy 1 single and return fares no increase while economy 2 single and return fares average increase of 1.2%
- Intercity adult and child weekly up average of 1.2%

➤ **Bus Éireann**

This determination will see the expansion of the city fare area in Cork, Limerick and Galway to better reflect the current movement of people which will include new city suburbs and industrial areas. The Leap discount has been extended from 20% to 30% on stage carriage services and from 27% to 30% on city services

➤ **Regional cities & towns**

- No increase in Leap fares with some Leap fares dropping by 1 cent.
- Cash fare up 10 cent adult, 5 cent child
- 1-day, 7-day, monthly and annual vary from -1.8% to + 5.0% with a small number of larger increases to fares which provided exceptional value - fares adjusted to move closer to Authority's recommendations.

➤ **Stage Carriage**

- All Leap fares dropping by an average 18%.
- Average drop in adult cash fares of -5.1% with just 4 fares increasing.
- Average drop in child and student cash fares of -10.0% with just 3 out of a total of 68 fares increasing.
- Most adult, student and Child returns adjusted downwards but some upwards range from -15% to + 5.0%.
- Adult 10 Journey average increase of 1.0% with adjustments from -5.8% to + 4.6%.
- Child and student 10 Journey fares average drop of 2.2% with adjustments from -9.7% to + 3.2%.
- Adult monthly taxsaver varies -7.0% to + 3.2%.
- Adult annual drop from -0.5% to -10.4% with fares on average 6.5% cheaper than in 2014.

➤ **Multi-operator Fares**

- As part of BusConnects the plan is to allow transfer between modes without financial penalty and in line with this objective the Authority have determined that there will be no increase in multi-operator fares for 2018.

➤ **Leap Capping**

- All Leap caps both daily and weekly including multi-operator caps will remain at current levels.

All the individual fares for each of the four operators can be found in the Appendices – Detailed Fare tables.

2. Introduction

2.1 Background

The National Transport Authority (the Authority) has statutory responsibility for securing the provision of public transport services as outlined in the Dublin Transport Authority Act 2008. To fulfill this responsibility the Authority has entered into Public Service Contracts with Dublin Bus and Bus Éireann in December 2014 for a period of 5 years. The Authority also entered into a Public Service Contract with Iarnród Éireann in December 2009 for a ten year period. Dublin Bus, Bus Éireann and Iarnród Éireann are 100% owned by Córas Iompair Éireann (CIÉ). CIÉ is a statutory body with ownership vested in the Minister for Transport, Tourism & Sport.

The Authority will enter into a contract with Go-Ahead for the provision of bus services in Dublin subject to their meeting contractual issues. The Authority is also in the process of tendering Bus Éireann services in Waterford and commuter services from Kildare and these services are included in this fares determination.

In September 2014 the Authority and the Railway Procurement Agency (RPA) and Transdev Dublin Light Rail Limited signed a new Luas operation contract, under which Transdev runs the Luas services and also assumes responsibility for the maintenance of the Luas infrastructure and rolling stock through a number of novated maintenance contracts. The Railway Procurement Agency and the National Roads Authority merged on 1st August 2015 to form Transport Infrastructure Ireland (TII).

Those contracts must, among other things, provide for the “fares to be charged and provision for the variation, including increase or decrease, of fares”. Each year the Authority examines the existing fares and determines the fares to be charged for the following year. This fares determination has been based on the assumption that the amount allocated to the Public Service Obligation (PSO) payments will not be reduced in 2018. In fact, the Minister for Transport Tourism and Sport announced that an additional 8% or €22.1m has been made available for Public Service Obligation payments in 2018 across all contracted services; primarily for the additional services required for the increasing demand for services.

2.2 Determination of fares

This year the Authority is issuing just one determination of fares for 2018. This determination will cover the fares for the main Public Service Obligation (PSO) transport providers namely Dublin Bus, Bus Éireann, Iarnród Éireann and Luas.

This determination will address the price of cash, Leap and pre-paid tickets including monthly and annual tickets. Adjustments to the cash, Leap and pre-paid tickets are permissible from 1st December 2017 but for operational reasons the operators may delay the introduction slightly with the agreement of the Authority.

2.3 Factors influencing public transport revenues and expenditure

Public transport revenues for all transport operators come from three main sources: passenger fares, subsidy via the free travel grant from the Department of Social Protection, and relatively minor ancillary revenues (e.g. advertising). Passenger fares account for a substantial amount of revenue and are dependent on passenger numbers.

Demand for public transport services is strongly related to economic activity. Economic growth increases employment, disposable income and consumer spend, all of which lead to greater travel. Economic decline produces the opposite effect.

The free travel grant from the Department of Social Protection is intended to compensate the operators when they carry free travel pass holders. The level of funding for the scheme was frozen at just over €75 million as part of the National Recovery Plan 2011-2014. While total passenger numbers experienced a significant decline over the years up to 2012, free travel passenger numbers increased by 18% for the four operators from 37.4 million passenger journeys in 2010 to 44.5 million in 2016. The steady increase in free travel passenger numbers was not matched by funding from the Department of Social Protection. In 2015 free travel scheme passengers represented almost 20% of passengers on PSO supported services. The freeze in DSP funding as part of the National Recovery Plan 2011-2014 has resulted in a greater proportion of revenue from fare paying passengers and the subsidy from the Department of Transport, Tourism and Sport contributing to the cost of the Free Travel Scheme.

Expenditure on the other hand is largely on vehicles, fuel and staff. As passenger numbers grow additional vehicles are required along with additional staff to drive and maintain the vehicles. Over the past few years additional services have been added particularly to meet additional demand and from December the Luas Cross City line will open. These additional services contribute to the operators' expenditures. Over the past year increasing staff costs have also exerted pressure on operators' costs.

2.4 Economic outlook

It is evident from the data in Table 1. that the economy is recovering over the past few years. Both GDP and GNP have been growing each year since 2013 and the indications are for continued growth over the next few years. However when we look at the number of people in employment we see that despite growth in employment in recent years there were about 40,000 more people employed before the economic crises that now. Therefore demand for transport is continuing to grow and the Authority want to ensure that this additional demand is met by public transport.

Growth in the economy and in employment are two of the main factors contributing to passenger journey growth on public transport. Passenger journeys have grown by close to 4% each year in 2014, 2015 and 2016 and similar passenger journey growth is expected this year.

The outlook for 2018 remains optimistic where growth in terms of GDP and GNP is expected to be in the order of 4% and CPI is projected to grow a little at just over 1%.

Table 1: Key Economic Indicators

Key Economic Indicators (real annual % growth)											
	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017 ^f	2018 ^f
Consumer Price Index (CPI)											
CSO	4.1	-4.5	-1.0	2.6	1.7	0.5	0.2	-0.3	0.0		
Central Bank										0.7	1.3
ESRI										1.1	1.4
Department of Finance (HICP)										0.6	1.2
IMF (HICP)										0.4	1.5
Gross National Product (GNP)											
CSO	-1.8	-9.1	0.5	-0.9	1.9	4.7	9.0	16.4	9.6		
Central Bank										3.4	4.2
ESRI										5.4	3.9
Department of Finance										4.2	3.5
Gross Domestic Product (GDP)											
CSO	-2.2	-6.4	-1.1	2.8	-0.3	1.1	8.3	25.6	5.1		
Central Bank										4.9	3.9
ESRI										5.0	4.0
Department of Finance										4.3	3.7
IMF										4.1	3.4
Unemployment rate (ILO)											
CSO	6.4	12.1	13.9	14.7	14.7	13.1	11.3	9.4	7.9		
Central Bank										6.2	5.6
ESRI										6.1	5.4
Department of Finance										6.4	5.8
IMF										6.4	5.9
Average Hourly Total Earnings All Sectors											
CSO	21.6	22.9	22.0	21.94	21.99	21.91	21.86	21.90	22.04		
Percentage change each year		2.7%	-0.9%	-0.3%	0.0%	-0.4%	-0.2%	0.2%	0.6%		
Total Numbers in Employment –million (seasonally adjusted)											
CSO	2.086	1.923	1.858	1.846	1.845	1.904	1.933	1.979	2.045		

Source: Central Statistics Office (CSO), Central Bank Quarterly Bulletin Oct 2017, ESRI Quarterly Economic Commentary Autumn 2017, IMF World Economic Outlook October 2017, Department of Finance Summer Economic Statement July 2017.

Note “f” indicates forecast and HICP is the Harmonised Index of Consumer Prices which differs slightly from the Consumer Price Index (CPI).

2.5 The need for fare adjustments

While a small number of fares will be increased moderately in 2018; a large proportion of fares will be reduced. The reasoning behind the reduction in fares is to ensure that all public transport passengers pay a fare which reflects the distance travelled the level of service they enjoy and the cost of operating the service. For example the Authority believes that a commuter purchasing an annual ticket deserves to receive a discount that is comparable to the discount on monthly tickets. This is because those who purchase an annual ticket commit to use public transport for a full year and pay for it in advance. Bus Éireann in 2013 offered about a 2% discount on an annual ticket relative to 12 monthly tickets. The Authority believe this discount should be closer to 12% to 16% and over the past few years have reduced the cost of the annual ticket each year. This has resulted in the cost of a Bus Éireann annual stage carriage ticket in 2018 being on average 7% cheaper than it was in 2014.

On the other hand public transport fare increases have been deemed to be necessary in recent years to compensate for the increased operating costs and reduced PSO payments. While passenger numbers have grown since 2014, fares increases are required to:

- a) allow the restructuring and simplification of fares structures;
- b) continue to encourage a transfer to Leap card usage;
- c) contribute to the increased cost for the provision of the current services; and
- d) contribute to the cost for the additional services.

2.6 Child fares

The Authority recognizes that the cost of travel with a young family can be expensive and over the past number of years have introduced measures to assist with this cost. In 2014 the Authority increased the age of child travel from up to a child's 16th birthday to up to a person's 19th birthday. At the same time we determined that all children under the age of 4 were entitled to free travel on PSO subsidized public transport. The Authority continue to examine areas where the cost of travel can be reduced for children and have determined that from 1 December 2017 all children under the age of 5 will be entitled to free travel on all PSO subsidised public transport.

2.7 BusConnects

Earlier this year the Authority launched BusConnects, a plan to fundamentally transform Dublin's bus system, so that journeys by bus will be fast, reliable, punctual, convenient and affordable. It will enable more people to travel by bus than ever before, and allow bus commuting to become an even more viable and attractive choice for employees, students, shoppers and visitors.

Part of the BusConnects plan is revamping of the fare system to provide a simpler fare structure, allowing seamless movement between different transport services without financial penalty. This will allow passengers to complete their journey by two or more modes of travel such as Dublin Bus and Luas without financial penalty.

Currently the second biggest source of bus delays, after traffic congestion, is the payment process at bus stops. As the BusConnects plan is rolled out over the next few years a simpler fare system needs to be in place with one option currently under consideration is a minimum fare for a short journey similar to the Dublin Bus fare for 1 to 3 stages and a higher fare for longer journeys. Currently we have 3 main single fares types on Dublin Bus and 4 main fare types on Luas (down from 6 main single fares on Dublin Bus and 5 on Luas just a few years ago).

In the determination this year the Authority will adjust fares with a view to reducing the number of single fares on offer over time by holding a number of fares at current prices and increasing others slightly. By adjusting fares in this manner over 2 or 3 years it will avoid sudden large increases or decreases in fares which could adversely affect the finances of either passengers or the operators.

To improve the seamless movement of passengers between different transport services without financial penalty the Authority has determined that all multi-operator fares will have no increase in 2018. This will ensure that multi-operator products such as a monthly Dublin Bus & Luas ticket will be better value going forward and make it more cost effective for passengers to use more than one mode of transport to complete their journey.

3. Dublin Bus

3.1 Introduction

The main revenue source for any transport operator is from their passengers and Dublin Bus passenger numbers fell by 20% between 2008 and 2013. The decline had been easing since the middle of 2012 and Dublin Bus passenger numbers are on the rise again with growth of 3.4% in passenger journeys in 2014, 3.1% growth in 2015 and 4.6% in 2016. The growth in passenger numbers is continuing into 2017 and Dublin Bus expect to see passenger growth of around 5% this year.

Despite this growth for the past number of years Dublin Bus carried 11% less passengers in 2016 than they did in 2008 before the economic collapse. Alongside this collapse in passenger journeys the public service payments (PSO) to Dublin Bus were reduced by €26 million or a reduction of about 30% between 2008 and 2016. PSO payments to Dublin Bus were at their lowest in 2015 but grew by over 3% in 2016 and are expected to increase by a similar amount in 2017.

Passenger revenues did grow during this time following significant fares increases between 2009 and 2013 and this mitigated the reduction in PSO subsidy. However the fares increases were softened for the travelling public by the introduction of the Leap card and the approximate 20% saving it offers on single journeys.

During this period despite Dublin Bus reducing costs and receiving the fare increases the transport operator experienced large deficits. Despite an operating surplus of around €3.2 million in 2016 Dublin Bus had a cumulative deficit close to €35 million at the end of 2016. It will take a considerable number of years to clear this deficit even with projected growth in passenger numbers.

While growth in the economy leads to growth in passenger numbers which in turn adds to Dublin Bus revenues this growth in the economy also adds to traffic congestion on our streets. Dublin Bus has had to provide both additional buses and services to ensure compliance with their schedules and offer a quality service to its customers.

This growth has put pressure on Dublin Bus operations with a projected requirement for up to 130 additional buses over the next 5 years along with replacing between 90 and 100 life expired buses each year. Recent pay awards will add additional pressure on the Dublin Bus finances. The payments that Dublin Bus receive from the Department of Social Protection for carrying people with free travel passes has been frozen for the past 7 years at 2010 levels and this is resulting in fare paying passengers partially subsidising those with free travel.

The table below outlines what Dublin Bus anticipates their financial position to be in 2017 and 2018 with results from 2016. In both years they expect that they will achieve a modest surplus after subvention and free travel payments and before exceptional items. The table shows an increase in subsidy but this is not confirmed by the Authority.

Table 2: Projected financial position to 2018

Dublin Bus	2018 F** €m	2017 F** €m	2016 €m
Revenue	233,600	230,300	220,572
PSO	51,788	51,500	59,558
Other Grants	-	-	-
Total Income	285,388	281,800	280,130
Costs***	292,388	283,800	276,922
Surplus/(Deficit)*	-7,000	-2,000	3,208

* Surplus/(Deficit) before interest, tax and exception items.
** PSO includes Reasonable Profit of €5m and excludes funding for 2016 pay agreements for annual increases of 3.75% pa which is higher than indexation allowed under the contract..

The NTA, in accordance with Regulation 1370/2007 of the European Parliament and Council, are required to establish provisions to avoid overcompensation in the case of directly awarded contracts for public transport services. Regulation 1370/2007 states that reasonable profit is the rate of return that is normal for the sector in a given Member State and that takes into account the risk (or absence thereof), incurred by the operator by the virtue of the intervention.

The NTA has reviewed case law precedent, and has considered various methodologies for determining an appropriate rate of return. The NTA has concluded that the determination of reasonable profit based on a return on equity is the most appropriate approach. At present the determination for reasonable profit for Dublin Bus is in the order of €5 million.

3.2 Determination by the Authority

A number of factors need to be taken into consideration in setting the fares:

- The need to maintain a sufficient level of service frequency.
- The need to simplify the fares structure,
- That Dublin Bus returned a surplus in the past three years but suffered significant losses in the years up to 2013,
- The adjustments required under the BusConnects plan,
- The economic climate since 2007,
- The effect of the recession and current economic growth on the public's disposable income and costs,
- The PSO budget that is available in 2017; and
- The need to continue to encourage a transfer from Cash to Leap.

Over the past number of years the Authority has introduced (along with the public transport providers) a number of changes to the fare structures which had been in place for many years. With the introduction of the Leap card in 2011 it allowed the Authority to introduce a range of innovations previously not possible. Daily and weekly capping and the Leap 90 discount were made possible by the introduction of Leap and have resulted in financial savings for many passengers.

This year with the launch of the BusConnects plan the Authority is moving towards another step in ensuring a public transport system in our capital city where journeys by bus will be fast, reliable, punctual, convenient and affordable. As outlined earlier the adjustments to Dublin Bus fares for 2018 will take into account the BusConnects plan where interchange between transport operators

to complete a single journey will not be penalised and a simpler fare structure will be in place to speed up boarding on our busses.

3.3 Leap & Cash Fares

Since December 2014 the fare for the adult single journeys when paying using Leap has remained the same. This year the Authority has determined that the Leap fare for the 1-3 stages fare and the over 13 stages fare will remain at December 2014 prices namely €1.50 and €2.60 respectively.

However it would not be sustainable to hold all Leap fares at the same level for 4 years and therefore the Leap adult fare for 4 to 13 stages will increase by 10 cent to €2.15.

Adult cash fares have not increased since December 2015 and from 1 December next both the 1 to 3 stages and the 4-13 stages fares will increase by 10 cent and 15 cent respectively. Of course any increase in cash fares can be avoided by switching to pay for your travel by Leap and avail of at least a 20% discount on single journeys compared to cash.

Regular child Leap fares and regular child cash fares last increased in December 2014. This year the Authority wish to move towards a single child fare for leap and a single child fare for cash on Dublin Bus and therefore will increase the lowest fare by 5 cent and decrease the higher by 5 cent with a view to merging them over the next year or so.

Child fares for school hours which offer very good value will see no increase in the cash price for the second year while the Leap Child fare for School Hours will increase by 1 cent to 80 cent with effect 1 December 2017.

Xpresso fares which have also remained unchanged since December 2014 will increase next December by between 2 and 5 cent or by 1.4% to 3.3%.

The city centre fare which is a lightly used fare was kept in place over the past few years as Luas Cross City construction works disrupted travel through the city. Now that these construction works

are complete the Authority has determined that the city centre fare both Leap and cash will be withdrawn with effect from the end of January 2018.

All the fares as determined by the Authority are set out in Appendix A – Dublin Bus Fares on page 61 of this document.

3.4 Fare Capping

Fare Capping is where there is a maximum charge per day or week for journeys done with a Leap card on a public transport operator. So, if a customer makes a lot of trips with their Leap card during a Daily or Weekly (Monday to Sunday) time period, the amount they spend will be capped and the Leap card system will make sure they never pay more than the fare cap limit.

Capping aims to make paying for public transport easier as users will be able to Pay-As-You-Go without having to decide in advance if they wish to commit to the up-front expense of buying a daily or weekly ticket. Multi-operator capping allows travel on a combination of operators from Dublin Bus, Luas and Iarnród Éireann.

The Authority has determined that the daily and weekly caps both on Dublin Bus and the multi-operator caps will remain unchanged for 2018.

Leap Capping, Dublin Bus (No Change)

Dublin Bus daily and weekly Leap caps			
	Adult	Student	Child
BÁC daily cap	€7.00	€5.00	€2.70
BÁC weekly cap	€27.50	€20.00	€8.50

Leap Capping Multi-Operator (no change)

Multi-Operator daily and weekly Leap capping levels			
	Adult	Student	Child
Multi-Operator daily cap	€10.00	€7.50	€3.50
Multi-Operator weekly cap	€40.00	€30.00	€14.00

3.5 Pre-paid Tickets & Nitelink

The Authority has a policy of consolidating and rationalising tickets so as to reduce the array of ticket options and to offer customers a clear, concise and easy to understand choice. The introduction of capping on the Leap card including multi-operator capping has greatly assisted with this policy.

The Authority in keeping with this policy of rationalising ticket types has examined the current pre-paid Dublin Bus tickets and looked at the value available at their current prices. For example an adult 30-day Rambler ticket is currently priced at €157.50 which works out at €5.25 per day for all day travel on Dublin Bus. This ticket and other Rambler tickets offer excellent value, in fact as they can be used on non-consecutive days a 30 day Rambler could be used to travel to work 5 days a week over 6 weeks at a cost of €26.25 per week which is less than the weekly Leap cap of €27.50. With this in mind an increase of 1.9% or €3.00 on this 30 day Rambler to €160.50 will ensure that it still offers excellent value compared to all other fares including Leap caps. The Authority have determined that all Rambler tickets will increase by 1.7% to 2.1% as they all offer similar value to the 30-day Rambler.

Nitelink fares which have not been adjusted since December 2015 will increase by about 1.6% on 1 December 2017.

3.6 Monthly and Annual Tickets

Dublin Bus offer one monthly and one annual ticket for all Dublin Bus PSO services. The annual ticket offers excellent value at the equivalent of €3.67 per day over the whole year to travel across the entire Dublin Bus network. If the annual ticket is purchased under the tax saver scheme savings of up to 52% can be made, depending on the rate of tax, PRSI and USC one pays, bringing the price of the annual tax saver ticket down to less than €2.00 per day to travel the entire Dublin Bus PSO network.

The Authority has determined that the price of the monthly and annual adult Dublin Bus only Travelwide tickets will increase for the first time in three years by 1.5%. These tickets will still offer

excellent value for the regular Dublin Bus passenger in 2018. Prices for 2018 are €134 per month or €1,340 per year.

Dublin Bus also offers a number of multi-operator monthly and annual tickets in conjunction with other operators namely Luas, Iarnród Éireann and Bus Éireann. As outlined earlier part of the BusConnects plan is to allow transfer between modes without financial penalty and in line with this objective the Authority have determined that there will be no increase in multi-operator fares for 2018. This includes the Dublin Bus/Luas add-on to Iarnród Éireann (Irish Rail) intercity tickets.

3.7 Summary

For the third year in a row the approved fare changes are very modest at Dublin Bus. A number of the Leap fares remain unchanged for the third year in a row and the increases applied to the cash single fares can be avoided by switching to Leap. Less than half of Dublin Bus passengers will face an increase in their fares next December when those who can switch from cash singles to Leap is included.

Headline changes:

- Adult Leap no change for 1-3 stages and 13+ stages
- No increase for adult cash 13+ stages
- Other adult Leap and cash fares up by up to 5.6%
- Schoolchild cash fare no increase, schoolchild leap up 1 cent
- Higher child fare drops 5 cent while lowest child fare increases by 5 cent
- No change to daily or weekly Leap caps
- Xpresso and Nitelink fares up 1.4% to 3.3%
- City centre fare to be withdrawn end January 2018
- Multi-operator monthlies & annuals no change
- Pre-paid Rambler tickets 1.7% to 2.0% increase
- Dublin Bus only monthlies & annuals up 1.5%

A full list of Dublin Bus fares is available from page 61 onwards.

4. Luas

4.1 Introduction

Luas currently has two tram lines, the green line which runs from Brides Glen to St Stephen's Green and the red line which runs from the Point in the Docklands to Tallaght with a spur to Citywest and a spur to Connolly rail station. Luas Cross City which will run from Broombridge to St Stephen's Green where it will join with the current green line is expected to open in early December.

Luas is one of the great success stories in transport. Since the first line began operations in 2004 passenger numbers have grown each year apart from 2008 and 2009 during the height of the recession and during 2016 when a partial close down of the red line to allow Luas Cross City works and industrial action saw passenger numbers drop by just 1.6%. Passenger numbers have grown by 25% since 2008 in contrast to other operators where passenger numbers have not fully recovered since the recession. This passenger journey growth has been helped by the opening of the extension to Docklands in 2009, to Brides Glen in 2010 and to Saggart in 2011.

While passenger numbers have grown most years the passenger revenues was not enough to cover all of the additional costs of the new extensions and Luas operations suffered a deficit each year between 2011 and 2013. To fund these deficits the RPA (now TII) have used their accumulated cash reserve, with the approval of the Authority. Funding is also required for vehicle asset renewal and infrastructure asset renewal.

Luas operations returned a surplus in 2014 for the first time in three years helped by strong passenger numbers. While passenger journeys grew by just over 6% in 2015 they dropped by 1.6% in 2016 however Luas still returned a surplus. With the opening of Luas Cross City later this year it will add to the Luas operating expenditure. Any surplus generated by Luas operations now will contribute towards the costs of Luas Cross City and any improvement in Luas infrastructure.

The payments that TII receive from the Department of Social Protection for carrying people with free travel passes has been frozen for the past 7 years at 2010 levels and this is resulting in fare

paying passengers partially subsidizing those with free travel passes and adding to the pressures on Luas finances.

Given the deficit on Luas infrastructure activities following the opening of the three line extensions in 2009 to 2011 which was met from RPA's (now TII) accumulated operations cash reserve, the Authority recognises that a fares increase is needed to generate increased revenue to ensure reserves will be available should the operations incur a deficit in the future and to assist in meeting the cost of Luas infrastructure.

In 2004 when Luas services began the Luas operated as a premium product with fares to match reflecting the level of traffic priority given to Luas. Over the past 13 years Luas fares have seen moderate increases in comparison to other forms of public transport. Bus and heavy rail fares had annual fare increases in excess of 5% for a number of years while Luas fares increased by an average of closer to 2%. This has resulted in current Luas fares being somewhat cheaper than other forms of public transport especially for longer journeys. With the proposed BusConnects plan which envisages greater movement of passengers between different transport services without penalty it will be necessary to bring Dublin Bus and Luas fares closer together for journeys of similar length. This will not occur in one year but rather will be a gradual process over time.

Table 3 outlines the financial results for 2015 and 2016 along with the estimated results for 2017 and 2018.

Table 3: Luas financial results and estimates for period 2015 to 2018

Year	2015	2016	2017*	2018*
Operating surplus/deficit on Luas infrastructure activities before interest, tax and depreciation	€3.8m	€5.4m	€10.0m	€12.0m

* Estimate provided in August 2017 – based on revenue accrued with fares changes applied

The operating surplus generated by Luas infrastructure activities will be available should the operations incur a deficit in the future or to assist in meeting the cost of Luas infrastructure.

4.2 Determination by the Authority

As with Dublin Bus a number of factors need to be taken into consideration in setting the fares:

- The need to maintain a sufficient level of service frequency.
- The need to simplify the fares structure,
- That Luas operations returned a deficit for 3 years following the opening of extensions between 2009 and 2011,
- That any surplus from Luas operations can contribute to Luas Cross City costs and future operating costs,
- The adjustments required under the BusConnects plan,
- The need to continue to encourage a transfer from Cash to Leap, and
- The desire to bring Luas fares in line with equivalent fares on other services.

4.3 Adult Single and return fares

Over the past number of years the Authority in consultation with TII and Luas have worked towards simplifying the fares system and have merged a number of fare types to make a simpler and easier to understand fares system. Over the past few years Luas merged the fares for the red and green lines and last year they reduced the number of different single fares from 5 to 4. All of these changes have helped the travelling public to have a clearer picture of the cost of travel and made it easier for them to plan their travel.

The BusConnects plan is partly based on a simpler fare structure which will allow seamless movement between different transport services without penalty. In order to achieve this without substantial changes to fares it needs to be done over a number of years. This year single fares will be adjusted by various amounts between 0.0% and 5% to work towards achieving a simpler fare structure and seamless movement between modes in the future.

The adult Leap peak zone 1 and zone 5-8 fares will remain at current levels along with the cash single for zone 5-8. Other Leap and cash fares including returns will increase by between 1.3% and

5.0% with zone 2 tending to receive the highest increase. Details of the fares determined are outlined from page 64 onwards.

4.4 Child Single and return fares

In January 2012 the child fares on Luas smartcard/Leap were €0.80 and €1.00. Today these fares are €0.80 and €0.96, there has been no increase in over 5 years and the Authority have determined that the fares will remain at current levels for 2018.

Child cash fares which are currently €1.00 and €1.20 have been in place since December 2014 and again the authority have decided to leave them at current levels for a fourth year. The cash return fares will also remain at current levels.

4.5 Peak and Off-Peak Fares.

In 2014 the Authority introduced a Leap off peak fare for Luas passengers to encourage travel on Luas outside peak hours of 7:45 to 9:30hrs Monday to Friday excluding bank holidays. As the economy grows and more people are in employment pressure on Luas services is increasing. The time when Luas services are under most pressure is extending and it has been decided that the peak hours need to be extended both in the morning and for the first time to the evening. This is aimed at encouraging passengers to travel during off-peak times when travel will be slightly cheaper thus making more room on the trams for those passengers who most need to travel at peak times. The revised peak travel time will be valid from 1 December next are from 07:00 to 10:00 in the morning and from 16:00 to 19:00 in the evening, Monday to Friday excluding bank holidays.

4.6 City Centre Off-Peak Fare.

Over the past number of years construction works necessary for Luas Cross City has caused some disruption in the city centre area. As a way of thanking the people and traders of the city centre it has been decided to introduce for one year only a special city centre off-peak Leap fare of €1.00.

This will allow Luas passengers travel between Jervis and Connolly/George's Dock stops and between St Stephen's Green and Parnell stops.

The €1.00 fare is only available with a Leap card and is not available during peak hours of 07:00 to 10:00 in the morning and from 16:00 to 19:00 in the evening, Monday to Friday excluding bank holidays.

The special city centre fare will be available from when Luas Cross City commences operations in December 2017 for one year only. In December 2018 regular Luas fares will apply.

The detailed Fare Tables are set out in appendix B from page 64 onwards.

4.7 Pre-Paid tickets

Pre-paid tickets which are valid for 1-day, 7-days or 30-days offered good value compared to cash fares over the years. With the introduction of Leap and the associated discounts available with Leap the pre-paid tickets for adults are no longer providing best value. The use of these tickets is falling off and over time they will be withdrawn. This year these pre-paid adult fares will be increased by between 1.6% and 4.3%. However these increases can be avoided by most passengers by switching to Leap e-purse and paying for each individual journey and availing of automatic Leap capping and Leap 90 discount.

Student and child pre-paid fares will increase by a similar amount to the adult pre-paid fares. As the student and child pre-paid fares are discounted many student and child passengers will find that these pre-paid tickets still offer good value.

4.8 Daily and weekly caps

The Authority has determined that the daily and weekly caps both on Luas and the multi-operator caps will remain unchanged for 2018.

Leap Capping, Luas (No Change)

Luas daily and weekly Leap caps			
	Adult	Student	Child
Luas daily cap	€7.00	€5.00	€2.70
Luas weekly cap	€27.50	€20.00	€8.50

Leap Capping Multi-Operator (no change)

Multi-Operator daily and weekly Leap capping levels			
	Adult	Student	Child
Multi-Operator daily cap	€10.00	€7.50	€3.50
Multi-Operator weekly cap	€40.00	€30.00	€14.00

4.9 Iarnród Éireann Dublin Bus/Luas add-on

Iarnród Éireann intercity customers purchasing rail tickets can opt for a Dublin Bus/Luas add-on to their rail ticket. This add-on entitles them to travel on Luas Red Line between Heuston Station and Dublin Connolly station or George's Dock, and on certain Dublin Bus routes.

As outlined earlier the Authority are moving towards a position where there should be only a minimal financial penalty if using two or more modes of transport to complete a single journey. These add-on tickets by their nature are for a second mode of transport used in order to complete a journey. The Authority has determined that there will be no increase to these fares at this time. All single, return, weekly, monthly and annual add-on fares will remain at their current price.

4.10 Luas only monthly and annual tickets

The Authority has a policy of consolidating and rationalising tickets so as to reduce the array of ticket options and to offer customers a clear, concise and easy to understand choice. Over the past number of years we moved towards a single monthly and annual ticket for all Luas services similar to that offered by Dublin Bus. During that process the cost of the monthly and annual all zones ticket remained at the January 2013 price. The first increase in those tickets for four years was applied last December. However these monthly and annual tickets are excellent value especially in comparison to other operator's monthlies and annuals. The Authority has determined that these tickets will increase by 10% on 1 December next bringing them to €110 for the monthly and €1,100 for an annual ticket.

These tickets are available to employees under the tax saver scheme. Under this scheme depending on the level of tax, PRSI and USC one pays the ticket can actually cost as little as €550 which is the equivalent of about €10.60 per week. For the regular commuter that would work out at just over €1.00 per trip which is excellent value. In fact many commuters travelling even short trips on Luas would benefit in financial terms with an annual tax saver ticket.

4.11 Multi-operator monthly and annual tickets

Luas offer a number of multi-operator monthly and annual tickets in conjunction with other operators namely Dublin Bus and Iarnród Éireann. As outlined earlier part of the BusConnects plan is to allow transfer between modes without financial penalty and in line with this objective the Authority have determined that there will be no increase in multi-operator fares for 2018. This includes the monthly and annual Dublin Bus/Luas add-on to Iarnród Éireann intercity tickets.

The detailed Fare Tables are available in Appendix B from page 64 onwards.

4.12 Summary

Single fares:

- Introduce a city centre off-peak €1.00 fare for one year to celebrate the launch of Luas CrossCity.
- Introduce an evening peak from 16:00 to 19:00 and extend the morning peak from 07:00 to 10:00.
- Adjust single fares with a view to facilitating the introduction of a short and long flat fare as part of Bus Connects.
- Increase zone 1 adult fares by up to 5% except the Leap Peak fare. Increase zone 2 fares by up to 5% while increasing zone 3&4 fares by a lesser amount and holding zone 5 to 8 fares at current levels except Leap off-peak which will rise by 4.3%.
- No change to child single or return fares.

Monthly, Annual and multi day fares:

- Increase 1-day, 7-day and 30-day fares by between 1.4% and just under 5%.
- Monthly and annual up by 10% to €110 and €1,100 respectively. This is the second increase since January 2013 and this ticket offers excellent value.
- Multi-operator annual and monthly and Iarnród Éireann add on Bus/Luas fares will be held at current levels to encourage interchange.

5. Iarnród Éireann

5.1 Introduction

Between 2008 and 2013 Iarnród Éireann experienced decreases in patronage, revenue, PSO payments and increased fuel costs. In 2013 passenger journeys levelled off and they grew in 2014 by almost 3%, the first growth in passenger numbers for a number of years. Growth continued to strengthen in 2015 with almost 5% passenger journey growth and in 2016 growth reached close to 8%. Growth this year to date is closer to the growth experienced in 2015. Despite this strong growth over the past few year's passenger journeys carried by Iarnród Éireann in 2016 is still 6% below the 45.5 million passenger journeys they carried in 2007.

PSO payments which had reduced most years between 2008 and 2015 are now on the rise again with Iarnród Éireann receiving €133.1 million in PSO payments last year down from €189.9 million in 2007. It is expected that PSO funding in 2017 will increase by around 9% to close to €145 million.

Passenger revenues have also increase in line with the growth in passenger numbers but with passengers switching from cash to cheaper Leap fares revenues are not growing as fast as passenger numbers.

Free travel pass passengers have been growing steadily over the past few years. Iarnród Éireann carried 4.7 million free travel pass passengers in 2016 up from 3.94 million in 2010, an increase of 11%. However the payment from the Department of Social Protection has not increased over this time. This in effect means that fare paying passengers are subsidizing the free travel pass passengers and the fares for the fare paying passengers are increasing more quickly than they ought to be.

While the increase in passenger numbers and in fare revenue from fare paying passengers is positive news Iarnród Éireann continues to generate a deficit each year. Accumulated deficits for the period 2010 to 2016 are running at €123.3 million and they are projecting another deficit of €9.16m in 2017.

Table 4. outlines what Iarnród Éireann anticipates their PSO financial position to be for the Railway Undertaking operations in 2017 and 2018 with results for 2016. The table shows that the operational losses suffered by Iarnród Éireann over the past number of years is set to continue for the next year or two at least. The increased costs include provision for new services, higher station and track access charges, the customer 1st operational costs along with the recruitment of staff for additional services. The figures exclude significant rolling stock maintenance costs.

Table 4. Projected financial position to 2018

Iarnród Éireann	2018 F	2017 F**	2016
	€m	€m	€m
Revenue	219,700	213,100	206,439
PSO	158,600	145,432	110,640
Other Grants	-	-	-
Total Income	378,300	358,532	317,079
Costs	(296,100)	(280,900)	(251,951)
Track Access Charge	(79,200)	(76,980)	(66,480)
Total Operating Costs	(375,300)	(357,880)	(318,431)
Surplus/(Deficit)*	3,000	652	(1,352)

* Surplus/(Deficit) before interest, tax and exception items.
** 2017 Forecast is prior to adjustment for strike action.

The NTA, in accordance with Regulation 1370/2007 of the European Parliament and Council, are required to establish provisions to avoid overcompensation in the case of directly awarded contracts for public transport services. Regulation 1370/2007 states that reasonable profit is the rate of return that is normal for the sector in a given Member State and that takes into account the risk (or absence thereof), incurred by the operator by the virtue of the intervention.

The NTA has reviewed case law precedent, and has considered various methodologies for determining an appropriate rate of return. The NTA has concluded that the determination of reasonable profit based on a return on equity is the most appropriate approach. At present the determination for reasonable profit for Iarnród Éireann is in the order of €3m.

5.2 Determination by the Authority

A number of factors need to be taken into consideration setting the fares for 2018:

- The need to maintain a sufficient level of service frequency.
- The need to simplify the fares structure,
- That rail operations returned an operating deficit each year between 2010 and 2016,
- The PSO budget that is available in 2018,
- The need to encourage a transfer from Cash to Leap; and
- The need to continue to introduce a distance based fare structure.

The Authority has, when determining the fares, also looked at aspects other than price to see if additional benefits could be offered to the customers. The introduction of the Leap card in 2011 has allowed the Authority to introduce a range of innovations previously not possible. This has resulted in the Leap fare regularly being cheaper than the cash fare was up to 4 years earlier.

The Authority has also sought to consolidate fares in order to offer best value to the customer and make it easier to understand the best fare option for each passenger. Over the past few years a number of ticket types have been withdrawn as Leap singles and Leap capping offers better value than a number of the old tickets. In 2014 the Authority merged the former zone A and zone B fares in the Dublin Short Hop Zone (SHZ). Last year the Authority continued that process and reduced the number of SHZ fare types down from 7 in 2014 to 5 thereby eliminating a considerable number of individual ticket types. All these changes make it easier for the individual passenger to understand the fares on offer and to be able plan both their journey and its cost.

5.3 Distance Based fares – Cork Commuter Zone

In 2012 the Authority began the process to implement a more distance based fare scheme in the SHZ, which involves the reclassifications of a number of Origin-Destination (OD) pairings. A more distance based fare scheme ensures that people pay a fairer price for the journey that they make; however, it can result in fares going up and down.

The Authority has specifically tried to avoid making changes that will result in large increases or decreases for significant numbers of passengers, to both protect revenue and the impact on passengers. The Authority continued the process of reclassifying incorrect OD pairings each year since 2012 and last year they finalised that process for the SHZ in Dublin.

This year the Authority has moved its attention to Cork Commuter fares. Currently there are six fare zones on the Cork commuter rail system with the maximum journey length of about 20 km. This compares to 5 fare zones in the Dublin SHZ with a maximum journey length of up to 60 km. For this analysis alone it appears that Cork does not require as many fare zones for such a small commuter network.

The Authority has examined all the origin-destination (OD) pairings and the distance between each OD. Following this examination the Authority has determined that the current five fare zones can be reduced to 3 fare zones. The Authority also found a small number of OD's which were included in the incorrect fare zone under the present 5 zone system. The new 3 fare zones will be based around zone A, zone B and zone D of the old system. The more expensive zone E will be withdrawn and zone C OD's will become either a zone B or a zone D depending on the distance involved.

Of the 36 OD's in the Cork commuter zone 6 OD's will have a significant decrease in fares in excess of 25% in the single Leap fare with a further 9 OD's where the leap fare will drop by around 5%. Unfortunately there are also 2 OD pairings which were set at a particularly low fare for various historic, commercial and operational reasons over the years and they are not in line with the fares other passengers are paying for a similar distance journey. These two OD's will have a considerable increase in their fares in the region of 35%. The OD's which will face these large increases in fares are Fota to Midleton and Carrigloe to Midleton. However neither of these OD's carries a large number of passengers and they have benefitted from a very cheap fare for many years up to now. A far greater number of passengers will benefit from a substantial fare decrease in comparison to a relatively small number of passengers facing this large increase. Table 5. below shows the zones for all 36 OD's both their current fare zone and their new fare zone from 1 December 2017.

Table 5: Cork fare zones

Origin	Destination	Current fare zone	New fare zone December 2017
Rushbrooke	Cobh	A	A
Little Island	Glounthaune	A	A
Fota	Glounthaune	A	A
Carrigaloe	Rushbrooke	A	A
Fota	Carrigaloe	A	A
Cobh	Carrigaloe	A	A
Glounthaune	Carrigtwohill	B	A
Little Island	Fota	A	A
Glounthaune	Carrigaloe	A	A
Fota	Rushbrooke	A	A
Midleton	Carrigtwohill	B	A
Little Island	Carrigtwohill	B	B
Fota	Carrigtwohill	B	B
Fota	Cobh	B	B
Cork	Little Island	B	B
Little Island	Carrigaloe	B	B
Glounthaune	Rushbrooke	B	B
Glounthaune	Cobh	B	B
Carrigaloe	Carrigtwohill	B	B
Cork	Glounthaune	B	B
Little Island	Rushbrooke	B	B
Glounthaune	Midleton	C	B
Little Island	Cobh	C	B
Cork	Fota	C	B
Rushbrooke	Carrigtwohill	C	B
Little Island	Midleton	D	D
Fota	Midleton	C	D
Cobh	Carrigtwohill	D	D
Cork	Carrigtwohill	D	D
Cork	Carrigaloe	D	D
Carrigaloe	Midleton	C	D
Cork	Rushbrooke	D	D
Rushbrooke	Midleton	D	D
Cork	Cobh	D	D
Cobh	Midleton	E	D
Cork	Midleton	E	D

The adjustment of fare zones in the Cork commuter area will ensure commuters are charged a fare more appropriate to the distance travelled. By reducing the number of fare zones from 5 to 3 it will simplify the fare structure, make it easier to understand and reduce the number of different fares on the Cork commuter service from 67 to 41.

Passengers who are currently in zone A or B and remaining in these fare zones will have a fare increase of between 1.7% and 5.0% while the zone C fares will be adjusted by between minus 8% and plus 1%. A number of these fare increases can be avoided by passengers switching from cash fares to paying by Leap e-purse where single fares are more than 20% cheaper than cash. Currently only around 10% of passengers on the Cork commuter rail network use leap e-purse so it is likely that even those passengers travelling on the OD's where there are significant fare increases can reduce these increases significantly by switching to Leap e-purse to pay for their travel.

5.4 Dublin Commuter Short Hop Zone (SHZ)

In December 2016 the Authority determined that there would be no increases in the single, return, 3-day or 7-day fares in the Dublin SHZ. Unfortunately as costs of operation increase it is not possible to hold fares at the same level for a sustained period and from December 2017 the fares in the SHZ will increase by between 0.0% and 4.6%. The fares which will remain at current levels are the schoolchild return cash fare and the Family All-day rail only fare which will remain at €2.00 and €20.00 respectively. In general the higher range of increases will apply to the zone 1 and zone 5 fares which currently offer best value. For example a zone 1 adult Leap fare which is increasing by 4.6% to €1.81 from 1 December next allows a passenger to travel up to just less than 8km by rail in the SHZ. A similar length of trip on Dublin Bus currently cost €2.05. While not all passengers on Iarnród Éireann SHZ zone 1 will be travelling the full 8km it does illustrate the value available on Iarnród Éireann in the SHZ.

The schoolchild leap fare will increase by €0.03 to €0.80 in December and this will bring it in line with Luas whose lowest child Leap fare is €0.80 and Dublin Bus whose schoolchild Leap fare will also be just €0.80 from December next.

Currently there are two fares available in the SHZ which are not required as better value is available by using Leap and these fares can be withdrawn by Iarnród Éireann. These fares are the adult All-day Rail only ticket which will cost €12.00 from 1 December 2017. However for passengers using Leap e-purse to pay for their travel the daily cap of €9.50 is 20% cheaper than the paper ticket. The other ticket which can be withdrawn is the 3-day rail only ticket which will be €28.00 from 1 December 2017. As there is a zone 6 3-day rail only ticket available from €27.00 there is no requirement for this ticket which add no value for the additional cost.

The full table of approved fares for the SHZ is available in the Appendix C on page 68.

5.5 Fare Capping in the Dublin SHZ and Cork commuter zone

Leap fare Capping is where there is a maximum charge per day or week for journeys done with a Leap card on a public transport operator. So, if a customer makes a lot of trips and pays for them with their Leap card during a Daily or Weekly (Monday to Sunday) time period, the amount they spend will be capped and the Leap card system will make sure they never pay more than the fare cap limit.

Fare capping was introduced in 2014 on Iarnród Éireann services and is currently available on Iarnród Éireann services in the SHZ and Cork commuter zone along with on Luas and Dublin Bus services.

The Authority has determined that the current Iarnród Éireann Leap fare caps will remain at current levels for the next year. The Authority has also determined that there will be no change to the multi-operator caps at this time and will remain as they have been since December 2013. The table below outlines both the Iarnród Éireann fare caps and also the multi operator fare caps.

Leap Capping, Iarnród Éireann (No Change)

Iarnród Éireann daily and weekly Leap caps			
	Adult	Student	Child
Iarnród Éireann daily cap	€7.00	€5.00	€2.70
Iarnród Éireann weekly cap	€27.50	€20.00	€8.50

Leap Capping Multi-Operator (no change)

Multi-Operator daily and weekly Leap capping levels			
	Adult	Student	Child
Multi-Operator daily cap	€10.00	€7.50	€3.50
Multi-Operator weekly cap	€40.00	€30.00	€14.00

5.6 Maximum Leap Commuter fare

Passengers who use Leap on Iarnród Éireann in the SHZ in Dublin and the Cork Commuter zone need to tag-on when going to the train and tag-off when exiting the train platform. In this way the correct Leap fare will be charged as the Leap card will know the origin and destination station and be able to charge the correct fare. If a passenger does not tag-off when disembarking from the train they will be charged the maximum Leap fare.

The maximum Leap fare is currently €4.90 for adults and €2.50 for children. The Authority has determined that there will be no change to the maximum Leap at this time.

5.7 Intercity – Singles, Returns & Weekly Fares

Intercity fares are based on the quality and frequency of service and are divided into 3 categories namely express routes, economy 1 and economy 2. The fare charged reflects the service for each category. However when examining the single fares on the express services the fares appear to be quite high, in particular when compared with the value offered by return fares and fares available when purchased in advance on-line. The Authority have determined that the intercity express single fares for zone D and longer should be reduced by about 5%. This reduction will ensure that all passengers can avail of better value on intercity travel. It will also reduce the difference in fares at the edge of the SHZ and intercity zone.

Return fares on the expressway services offer much better value than single fares and they will increase by around 1.2%.

The authority have a long term view that over time economy 1 and economy 2 single and return fares should be merged and there would be just one set of economy single and return fares. Currently about one third of the economy 1 fares are the same as economy 2 fares and these fares will increase by around 1%. The other economy 1 fares will not increase this year and this will along with a small increase of around 1.2% to the economy 2 fares bring them closer together. However it will take a number of years before the fares are finally merged.

Student single and return intercity fares will increase by between 0.0% and 2.3% with the zero increase applied to the shorter journeys and the higher increase applied the better value longer trips. Weekly and special intercity day returns will increase by between 0.6% and 1.5% while the Waterford to Tipperary day returns will remain at current levels.

Iarnród Éireann has recently introduced student and child weekly tickets for zones M to U. These tickets offer good value in line with all other weekly tickets.

5.8 Monthly and Annual Tickets – SHZ and Intercity

Iarnród Éireann has a large range of monthly and annual tickets both for their own services and which can be used on a number of services. As mentioned at the top of this document under the BusConnects plan it is expected that much more multi-modal travel will be required in the future to complete a journey and the Authority wish to ensure that passengers who require to change between different modes of transport to complete their journey will not be penalised financially. Therefore the Authority has determined that multi-operator monthly and annual tickets will not increase in price at this time.

The SHZ rail only monthly and annual ticket will increase by 1.3% for adults while the student monthly will increase for the first time in 2 years by 0.5%. The Iarnród Éireann all services fare will increase by 1.0%. For the intercity point to point tickets the average increase applied is 1.2% with slightly higher increases in some cases due to rounding. Intercity zone D adult and student monthly and annual fares will remain at current levels. As zone D is generally the first stop on the intercity network when leaving the SHZ by holding zone D fares it reduces the fare differential between the SHZ and the intercity zone.

As with the intercity student and child weekly fares Iarnród Éireann has introduced monthly fares for the longer intercity zones which up until now did not have child or student monthly tickets.

It should be remembered that adult monthly and annual tickets can be purchased under the tax saver scheme and where this is done, savings of between 30% and 50% can be made on the price of an annual or monthly ticket depending on the level of tax, PRSI and USC that you pay. In the case of a SHZ annual ticket which allows unlimited travel in the Dublin short hop zone at a cost of €1,540 in 2017 one can save up to 50% or almost €770 under the tax saver scheme with the result that the ticket can cost as little as €770 net after tax, PRSI and USC. That works out at less than €15 per week for the entire Iarnród Éireann SHZ travel.

5.9 Webfares

Iarnród Éireann as part of their customer first programme have updated their on-line sales platform for intercity fares and currently offer a number of intercity fares at three different price points to their customers when purchasing their intercity fares in advance.

However their web fares will continue to lie within a range from €9.99 to €49.99 and the Authority has determined that this is appropriate.

5.10 Cork Monthly and Annual Fares

As outlined above the Iarnród Éireann Cork commuter fare structure has been revamped and there are now just three fare zones covering the Cork commuter network compared to the previous 5 zones. Monthly and annual fares for the extended zone A and zone B will increase by 2.3% to 3.8% while zone D fares will drop by between 0.5% and minus 2.8%.

5.11 Multi-Operator tickets – Cork area

Iarnród Éireann and Bus Éireann offer combined rail and bus services in the Cork area. The rail services are from Cobh and Midleton and the bus services are the Bus Éireann Cork city services. In December 2014 the adult monthly ticket for the Cobh rail service and Bus Éireann city service was

set at €138.00 while the Midleton service was set at €149. In 2015 the Authority determined that the Cobh fare and the Midleton fare should both be set at €138 and there has been no increase to the fare since then. Now four years on from the last increase the Authority has determined that these fares will increase from €138 by €5.00 to €143.00 while the annual fare will be ten times the monthly fare.

The equivalent student fare is somewhat expensive relative to the adult fare and it will remain at the current price of €109.00 for the fourth year in a row providing excellent value to the students of the Cork region.

5.12 Summary

This year the Authority has used the fares determination to make adjustments to the Cork commuter fare zones. While we had adjusted fares slightly in previous years this year we have simplified the fare structure completely reducing the number of fares on the Cork commuter network from 67 to 42 with the number of fare zones reduced from 5 to 3.

Most Intercity express single fares which currently are quite high have been reduced by around 5% to ensure better value for the intercity traveller.

While many Iarnród Éireann commuters saw no increase in their fares for 2017 it is not possible to retain fares at the same level for a prolonged period and therefore a range of Iarnród Éireann fares will increase by an average of about 1.2%.

5.13 Headline changes:

- Adjust the fare structure for the Cork commuter lines reducing the number of fare zones from 5 to 3 and adjusting the origin-destinations to reflect a more distance based pricing structure
- After no increase in SHZ fares for 2017 fares increase by between 0% and 4.6%

- SHZ and intercity Tax saver fares to increase by 0.5% to 1.6%
- Most intercity express single fares reduced by 5%
- Many economy 1 single and return fares no increase while economy 2 single and return fares average increase of 1.2%
- Intercity adult and child weekly up average of 1.2%
- Multi operator monthly and annual fares no increase.

A full detailed listing of the Iarnród Éireann is in appendix C from page 68.

6. Bus Éireann

6.1 Introduction

Bus Éireann Public Service Obligation (PSO) services programme is provided under public service contract to the National Transport Authority. These services are not commercial and attract a PSO payment in line with EU regulation 1370/07. They comprise:

- Regional City services in Cork, Limerick, Galway and Waterford (being tendered)
- Stage Carriage (i.e. multi-stop) services which include:
 - Eastern Region commuter services within the Greater Dublin Area (Kildare services being tendered)
 - Town services in Navan, Dundalk, Drogheda, Balbriggan, Sligo and Athlone
 - Commuter services from over 100 satellite towns and villages to the main gateway cities
 - Non-commercial scheduled services throughout Ireland.

Bus Éireann PSO operations have since 2008 similar to the other transport operators reflected the changes in the economy. Like the other transport operator's passenger numbers declined from 2008 to 2012, stabilised for a year or so and then began to grow again. However passenger journey growth has been slower than the other operators and in 2016 Bus Éireann PSO services carried 32.12 million passenger journeys down almost 19% from the 39.48 million passengers they carried in 2008. While growth in passenger numbers since 2013 has been strongest at almost 30% in the Cork city region followed by 13% growth in the Dublin commuter zone and around 11% in Galway some areas such as Waterford city and the Stage Carriage services have shown little or no growth in passenger numbers since 2013.

Bus Éireann reduced their expenditure during this time and made significant savings in their overall costs. Despite this Bus Éireann PSO services have returned a deficit in 3 of the last 5 years. Public Service Obligation (PSO) funding also reduced during this time from a high of €49.37m in 2009 to a low of €33.71 million in 2015. Since 2015 PSO funding has begun to increase again and in 2016 Bus Éireann received €41.87 million. In 2017 the PSO payment will increase to cover legacy

underpayments, claims costs, additional services and approved changes in their allocation methodology. Some of this additional funding is for new and additional services provided by Bus Éireann as the economy grows again.

While the growth in passenger numbers and PSO funding are positive signs for Bus Éireann, they have increased costs associated with growth in demand at peak times which has resulted in increases in contracting in services to provide extra capacity. Their maintenance costs have also increased as a result of the ageing fleet. In 2016 Bus Éireann returned a small surplus before interest, tax and exceptional items. However in 2017 a prolonged period of industrial unrest when no services operated for 21 days has seen the growth in passenger numbers recorded in 2016 reversed. Bus Éireann are projecting a deficit of almost €6 million in 2017 with a small surplus in 2018.

The table below outlines the projected financial position for Bus Éireann at September 2017.

Table 6. Projected financial position to 2018. (Based on Bus Éireann projections)

	2018 F***	2017 F**	2016
Bus Éireann	€m	€m	€m
Revenue	89,454	85,122	86,418
PSO	47,406	51,895	41,873
Other Grants	-	-	-
Total Income	136,860	137,017	128,291
Costs	135,460	142,811	128,139
Surplus/(Deficit)*	1,400	(5,794)	152

* Surplus/(Deficit) before interest, tax and exception items.

** 2017 costs include restructuring costs estimate for PSO.

*** 2018 forecasts are based on a cost estimate per the restructuring plan.

The NTA, in accordance with Regulation 1370/2007 of the European Parliament and Council, are required to establish provisions to avoid overcompensation in the case of directly awarded contracts for public transport services. Regulation 1370/2007 states that reasonable profit is the rate of return that is normal for the sector in a given Member State and that takes into account the risk (or absence thereof), incurred by the operator by the virtue of the intervention.

The NTA has reviewed case law precedent, and has considered various methodologies for determining an appropriate rate of return. The NTA has concluded that the determination of reasonable profit based on a return on equity is the most appropriate approach. At present the determination for reasonable profit for Bus Éireann is in the order of €1.4m (assuming no further losses in 2017).

6.2 Determination by the Authority

This determination will address the price of all Bus Éireann fares for PSO services namely cash, Leap and prepaid tickets including monthly and annual tickets. The determined fares will be permissible from 1st December 2017.

In late 2016 and during 2017 the Authority in conjunction with Bus Éireann carried out a review of all Bus Éireann fares. Following this review the following changes to their fares were agreed:

- Adjust the city fare zones in Cork, Limerick and Galway to include ‘city commuter’ areas within the city fares,
- Have two fares in each of the cities of Cork, Limerick and Galway. A minimum fare for trips up to 7.5 km long and a slightly higher fare for city trips longer than 7.5 km long,
- Have a single schoolchild fare for the entire city zone regardless of distance,
- Increase the Leap discount compared to cash singles from 27% to 30% in the cities and from 20% to 30% in the stage carriage areas including the eastern region,
- Introduce new Leap child and student 1-day and 7-day Leap products where demand exists,
- Ensure Leap fares and technology is available on all Bus Éireann services in the first half of 2018,
- Consolidate a number of the stage fare bands on stage carriage services to ensure a simpler to use and easier to understand fare system,
- Reduce stage carriage cash singles on longer trips where currently they do not offer best value,
- Adjust return fares so that they are between 1.5 and 1.9 times a single fare, and;

- Continue the process of adjusting fares so as they comply with the ratio recommendations of the Authority.

6.3 Recommended fare ratios

In the last two years in particular the Authority has used the determination process to bring the Bus Éireann fares more in line with the Authority's policies on fares. The Authority issued guidance to the public transport operators advising them of the recommended discount for student and child fares and also the ratios which are appropriate between the various fares such as a one day fare and a seven day fare or an annual fare and a monthly fare.

Table 7 outlines the recommended ratios between adult and student fares and adult and child fares while table 8 outlines the recommended relationship between various fare types such as between a monthly ticket and an annual ticket.

Table 7. Ratios between customer types

	Recommended min discount on adult fare	Recommended max discount on adult fare	Recommended average discount on adult fare
Student discount	20%	35%	30%
Child discount	40%	55%	50%

Table 8. Ratios between product types

	Recommended Min	Recommended Max
Single : Day Return	1.5:1	1.9:1
Single : 1-day/24hr	2.2:1	3.0:1
1 day : 7-day	3.5:1	4.5 :1
7-day : Month	3.1 : 1	3.75:1
Month : Year	10.0 : 1	10.5 : 1

In 2013 an annual Bus Éireann ticket cost 11.75 times a monthly ticket. The Authority believe that an annual ticket should cost between 10 and 10.5 times a monthly ticket and over the past few years have been working towards this. This process will be completed this year as the Bus Éireann annual tickets for 2018 are 10.5 times or less the monthly ticket. While this process has taken a number of years to achieve it was achieved without any major impact to either the finances of the

operator or the commuter. It does benefit the commuter and on average the point to point stage carriage annual fares in 2018 are 6.5% cheaper than they were in 2014. While there was no incentive for a commuter to commit to using Bus Éireann by purchasing an annual ticket in 2014 there is a clear incentive to commit to Bus Éireann by purchasing an annual ticket now as they will in effect be getting one and a half months travel for free with their annual ticket.

The Authority has again used the fares determination process to align fares closer to the fares principles and for 2018 all the Bus Éireann fares will comply with the ratios outlined above. While a number of the ratios may be closer to the max recommendations rather than the minimum recommendations it is expected that over the next few years Bus Éireann fares will move closer to the average recommendations.

Another recommendation which will have a significant effect on Bus Éireann fares is that child fares should aim to be between 45% and 60% of the adult fare and student fares should aim to be between 65% and 80% of the adult fare. These recommendations are in line with public transport operators across Europe. In our determination of the 2015 fares we ensured that all student fares were at least 10% cheaper than the adult fare. Last year we increased the 10% discount and this year Bus Éireann fares will meet the recommendations both for student and child fares.

6.4 Regional Cities – Boundary Extensions to City Fare

As outlined above the review of Bus Éireann fares indicated that the current areas served by city fares were not accommodating all areas where regular city type commuting was taking place. Following an analysis of the hinterland of each of the current red zones in the four regional cities of Cork, Limerick, Galway and Waterford based on the population density and job density an extended city fare zone was developed. Business parks, retail parks, housing estates or large stand-alone job attractors were identified and the boundary was altered to include these identified areas. Finally, development plans were checked for each area to ensure that areas for planned growth were included in the fare boundary if possible.

As a result of this analysis by the Authority it was determined that the current city red zones in Cork, Limerick and Galway should be expanded outwards. Waterford city red zone already included all the areas we hoped to cover and therefore the city red zone for Waterford was not adjusted and will remain in its current format.

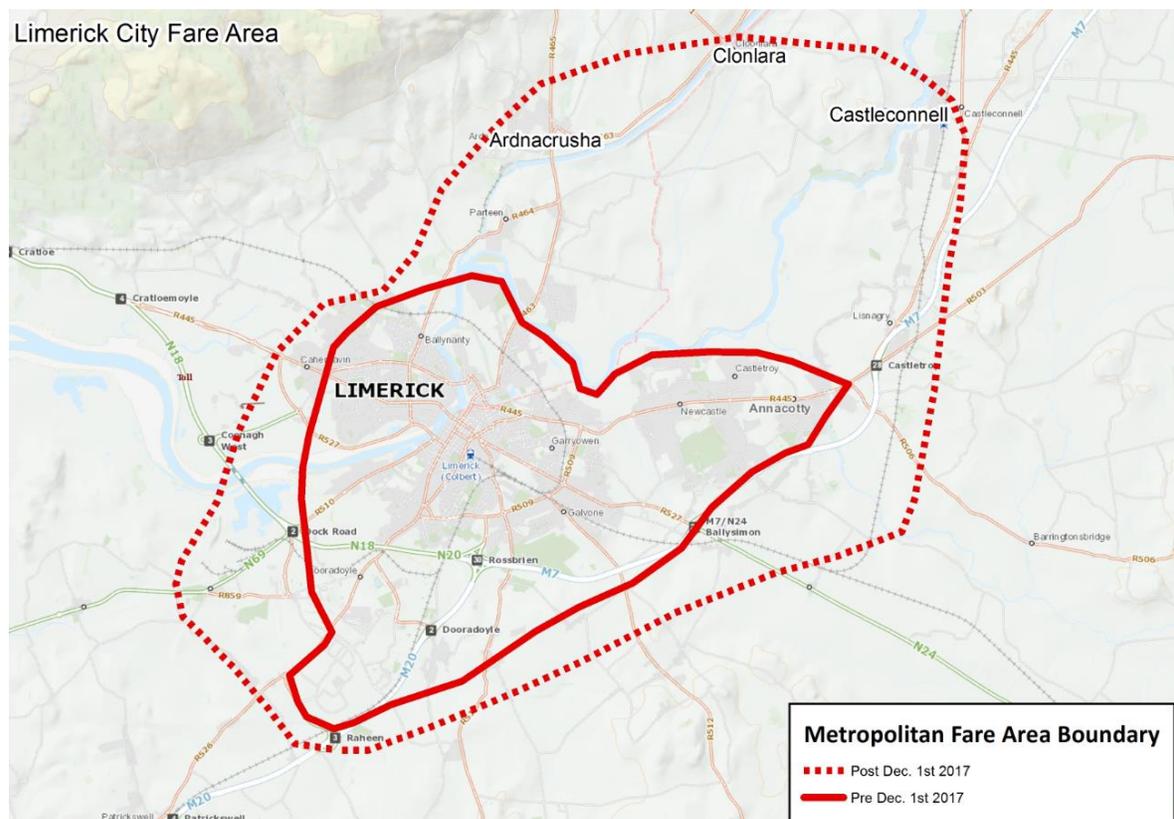
Cork city has a Green Leap zone surrounding the inner Red zone but the city single fares do not operate in the green zone. Also currently the green zone has its own 1-day, 7-day and monthly fares. Following the analysis it was decided that almost all of the current green Leap zone should be brought into the red zone and that city fares and red zone Leap products should cover both the old red zone and the new enlarged red zone. This results in the withdrawal of all Green zone Leap products such as 1-day, 7-day, monthly and annual fares. The red line on the map below outlines the new city fares zone. As can be seen it includes areas such as Ballincollig, Blarney, Cork Airport, Carrigaline, Ringaskiddy and Cobh. These areas were previously served by Bus Éireann stage carriage services with stage carriage fares applying from these areas. Now that they are included in the new city zone city fares will apply if travelling from these areas to the city.

Figure 1: Revised Bus Éireann city fare zone in Cork



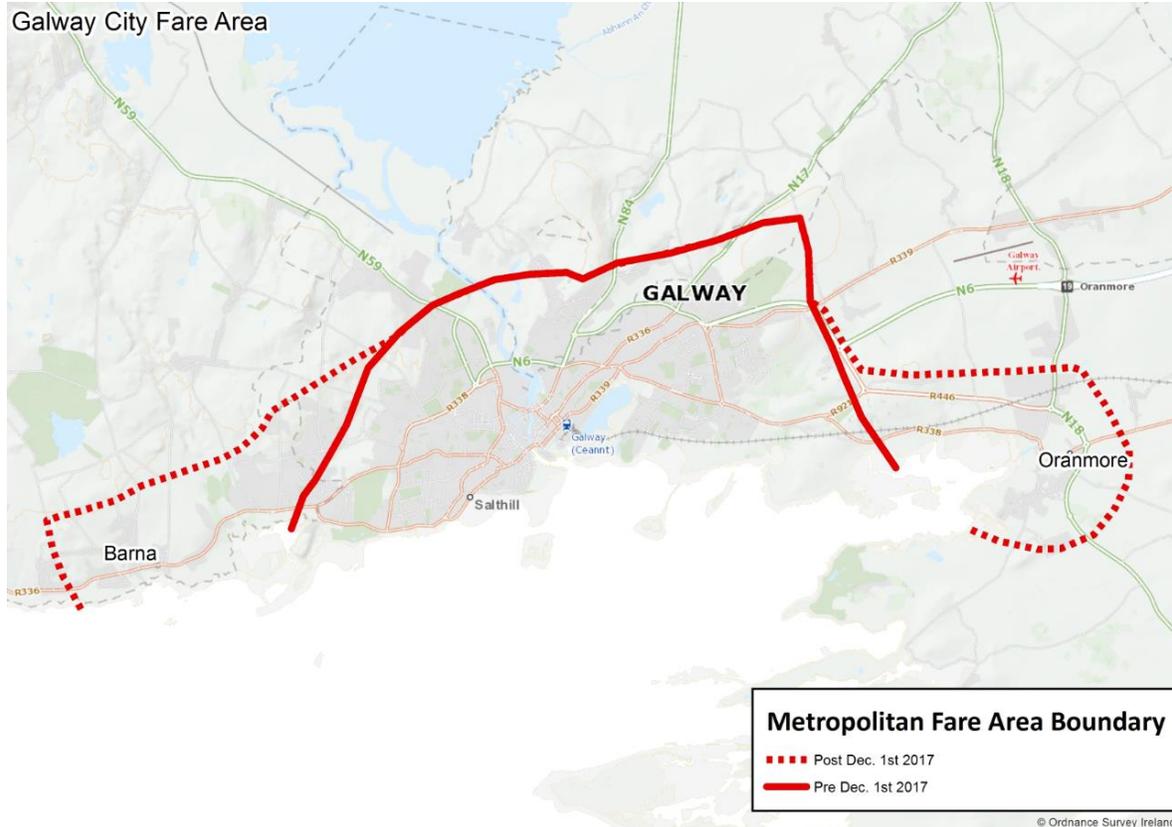
A similar analysis in the Limerick city area indicated that there were a number of settlements mostly to the north east of the city fare zone which should be included based on population density, job density and commuting patterns. The new areas included in the Bus Éireann Limerick city fare zone include Castleconnell, Clonlara and Ardnacrusha.

Figure 2: Revised Bus Éireann city fare zone in Limerick



The analysis in the Galway indicated that the city fare zone should be extended both to the east and the west to include Oranmore and Barna, see Figure 3.

Figure 3: Revised Bus Éireann city fare zone in Galway



With the extension of the city Bus Éireann fare zones this will mean that a large number of passengers who up until now have had to pay stage carriage fares will be able to avail of city bus fares. This will result in significantly lower fare for those passengers now included in the city zone. It will also mean that some passengers will be able to travel a significant distance on a city fare. Currently on a number of the longer Cork city routes there are two city fares namely €1.61 and €1.90 adult single Leap. The Authority has determined that in each of the regional cities these two fares should be in place. The lower adult Leap fare of €1.61 will allow a passenger travel up to 7.5 kilometres within the city and the slightly higher adult Leap fare of €1.90 will be charged for journeys longer than 7.5 kilometres. With the introduction of the two fares in each of the regional cities it will mean that some passengers currently availing of the lower city fare will have to pay the higher fare. If these passengers are currently paying using cash their current fare is €2.20 and from 1 December next their fare will be after an increase is applied €2.70 cash. While this is a

significant increase it can be avoided by switching from cash to Leap where the higher fare will be just €1.89. By switching from cash to leap a passenger can avoid an increase of €0.50 and actually make a saving of €0.31.

Significant savings will be made by the commuter who is travelling from one of the new areas which are now included in the city fare zone. Take for example a passenger travelling in from Carriagline into Cork city. Currently the fare for an adult passenger taking this trip is €3.52 leap or €4.40 cash. With the changes to the city fare zone from 1 December 2017 this passenger will pay €1.89 leap or €2.70 cash a saving of 46%. Similar savings will be available to passengers from Oranmore to Galway city or Castleconnell to Limerick city.

Waterford city was also analysed but it was found that all densely populated and business areas lay within the current leap red zone. It was also found that all journeys within the city were less than 7.5 kilometres and therefore there was no requirement to either extend the city fare boundary or to introduce the second city fare.

6.4 Regional City Fares

As outlined above the current Leap discount relative to the cash fare in the regional cities is 27% and this will now be extended to 30%. The current city adult cash fares will increase by €0.10 each to €2.30 and €2.70. However with the extension of the Leap discount from 27% to 30% this will mean that the adult Leap fares will be €1.61, the same as currently applies and €1.89 a drop of €0.01 on the current fare.

Leap child fares in the regional cities will also face no increase in December with the child fares at €0.91 and €1.12, which like the adult Leap fare will also drop €0.01. The cash child fares will increase by €0.05 each to €1.30 and €1.60. There will be just one schoolchild fare which will cover the entire city fare zone regardless of distance and it will be €0.77 Leap the same as currently exists and €1.10 cash.

As outlined above the Cork city Green Zone Leap products will not be required following the extension of the city fare zone on 1 December 2017. Therefore these tickets will be withdrawn on the 1 December next. The current Cork city red zone products will cover the extended city fare area. Similarly in Limerick and Galway the current red zone Leap products will cover the entire extended city fare area.

The Authority has determined that the red zone Leap products should increase by an average 3.5%. The 1-day, 7-day, monthly and annual adult products will increase by 1.1% to 5.0%. To ensure that Bus Éireann fares meet the ratio recommendations for student and child fares the range of increase on these fares go from -1.8% to 5.1% generally. However there are a small number of child fares which provide excellent value which will increase by between 6.1% and 8.9%. Even the fare which increased by 8.9% offers excellent value. It is a child 7-day fare to cover Waterford which will go up to €8.60 meaning it will work out at about €0.86 per trip if the child takes 10 trips during the seven days.

As the use of Leap grows in the cities and passengers realise the value available with both Leap singles and Leap 1-day and 7-day products the demand for these products grows. In December Bus Éireann will introduce a new child 1-day Leap product in Limerick, Galway and Waterford to meet demand.

The full range of fares for the Regional Cities is set out in appendix D from page 82 onwards.

6.5 Stage Carriage

Stage Carriage fares are those fares which apply on the Bus Éireann PSO network outside of the regional cities including the Dublin commuter area. During the review of the Bus Éireann fares it was concluded that while their current fare structure has served them well and offered good value there were a number of changes required to simplify the structure and take account of opportunities available with Leap.

Currently Leap is available on stage carriage fares in the eastern region and the greater Cork area. Bus Éireann in conjunction with the Authority have announced that Leap will be available on all

stage carriage buses by mid 2018. The Authority has also determined that the Leap discount on single fares relative to cash fares should be the same on both city services and stage carriage services. This means that Leap single fares will be 30% cheaper than the cash fare for the same journey. This is a massive saving and will be available to all Bus Éireann stage carriage customers from the middle of 2018.

Currently Bus Éireann has 46 fare stages for its stage carriage fares on PSO services. However in order to simplify the fare structure and make it easier to follow these 46 fare stages has been compressed down to 30 fare stages. For example there are three fare stages covering the first 5km of travel. It has been determined that these three fare stages will now be merged into one fare stage and the fare will be the same as the minimum fare on the Bus Éireann city services, that is €2.30 cash or €1.61 Leap.

6.6 Stage carriage single and return cash and Leap fares

In our determination in 2016 the Authority indicated that the single stage carriage fares were somewhat expensive and we determined that the adult single fares would not increase for 2017. During the review of Bus Éireann fares it was determined that most of the single adult fares should be reduced. In particular it was decided that the longer distance fares could be reduced by up to 15% with the shorter distance ones reduced by closer to 3% or 4%. However it was felt that the very short fares for distances less than about 5 km should be brought in line with the cheapest city fare of €2.30 cash or €1.61 Leap. This will be a €0.20 increase or 9.5% on the cheapest Bus Éireann fare. However by switching from cash to Leap the fare will be reduced to €1.61. The Leap discount relative to cash single fares is currently set at 20% but from 1 December next this discount will increase to 30%. This means that from 1 December next for most Bus Éireann stage carriage customers and from the middle of 2018 for all other Stage carriage customers a passenger can save 30% of the fare by switching from paying by cash to paying by Leap. This is a significant saving and by availing of the Leap discount it will bring fares close to what the cash fares were in 2009.

Return fares on Bus Éireann PSO services offer excellent value especially on longer journeys. However a number of the shorter distance fares are a little high. The Authority has determined

that adult day return fare can increase by an average of 1.7%. However individual day return fares will vary from dropping by up to 7.7% to increasing by 5.9%. These adjustments ensure that the fare paid better reflects the distance of journey taken. It should be noted that with the discount for Leap increasing from 20% to 30% and with most single fares dropping in cost significant savings can be made on return journeys now by paying by Leap for two single trips rather than purchasing a cash return fare. For example for someone who purchases a day return cash fare of €17.20 could have saved €1.80 or 10.5% if they had paid using their Leap card €7.70 for each leg of the trip or a total of €15.40.

Ordinary return fares will be adjusted in a similar fashion to the day return fares with about one third of the fares dropping by up to 6.3% and the others increasing by up to 5.0%. As with the day return fares significant savings can be made by purchasing two Leap fares rather than one cash return fare.

With the adjustments to the leap discount, single fares and return fares every passenger who currently purchases a cash single or return ticket should consider the saving they can make by switching to Leap. By switching to Leap now or when it is available next year all the increases in cash fares can be avoided and travel in 2018 on Bus Éireann will be cheaper than currently applies.

6.7 Child and Student Fares

Over the past number of years the Authority has adjusted child and student fares to ensure that they receive an appropriate discount relative to the adult fare. We have stated that this process would take a number of years but this year we have ensured that all Child fares are 60% or less of an adult fare and student fares are no more than 80% of an adult fare. This has been achieved by holding or reducing a large number of student and child fares over the past few years and this has continued this year. Almost all student and child single fares are reducing this year apart from one or two cash fares which currently offer excellent value.

A large number of student and child fares already offer excellent value and in this determination the Authority will adjust child ordinary fares downward by between 0% and minus 8.6% but day

returns which offer better value will be adjusted from minus 15.4% to plus 4.0%. Student return fares will be adjusted by between minus 10.4% and plus 2.7%. However it should be remembered that with the increase in the Leap discount to 30% of the cash fare it will be cheaper to pay by leap compared to purchasing a cash single.

As stated for the adult fares with the adjustments to the Leap discount, single fares and return fares every student and child who currently purchases a cash single or return ticket should consider the saving they can make by switching to Leap. By switching to Leap now or when it is available next year all the increases in cash fares can be avoided and travel in 2018 on Bus Éireann will be cheaper than currently applies.

6.8 Stage carriage 10 Journey, monthly and annual fares

The 10 journey tickets available for stage carriage generally offer good value to the customer. However the best value is available on the longer trips with a number of the shorter trips offering less value. Following the review the Authority have determined that a number of the shorter adult journey fares should drop by up to 5.8% while the longer trips which offer good value could be increased by up to 4.6% with an average adjustment of plus 1.0%.

Child and student 10 journey fares will be adjusted in a similar manner to the adult fares but as these fares are adjusted to ensure they have an appropriate discount relative to the adult fares only a small number of the child or student 10- journey fares will increase and many of them will drop in price slightly. Overall Child 10-journey fares will drop by an average of 1.9% while student 10-journey fares will drop by an average of 2.4%.

6.9 Eastern Region Leap Zone Fares

The fares available in the eastern region Leap zone area are 1-day (24 hour), 7-day, monthly and annual fares mostly for adults but also has a number of child and student fares. Adjustments to the fares in the eastern region for 2018 are generally aimed at bringing the fares closer to the recommended ratios as outlined above.

The adult 1-day (24 hour) tickets will be adjusted by between minus 1.4% and 3.4% while the adult 7-day fares will increase by between 0.9% and 5.1%.

Child 1-day (24 hour) fares will remain at current price levels for 2018 while the 7-day fares will increase by between 0.0% and 0.9%. We are also introducing two new child products in the Yellow zone namely a Child Yellow Zone 1-day (24 hour) and 7-day fares.

Student 1-day (24 hour) and 7-day fares will be adjusted to ensure the recommended ratios are reached with adjustments varying from minus 0.7% to plus 3.7%. A new student Yellow zone 1day (24 hour) product is being introduced to cater for demand.

The monthly and annual zonal fares in the eastern region are adult only and a number of them are currently out of line relative to 7-day fares. The Authority has therefore determined that the monthly fares will be adjusted by between minus 2% with a maximum increase of 0.9%. A number of the annual fares are also slightly expensive relative to the monthly fares and the Authority have determined that they will be adjusted by between minus 4.7% and plus 0.8%.

6.10 Stage carriage monthly and annual fares

Bus Éireann adult monthly and annual stage carriage fares are linked to the 10 journey fares. In general both monthly and annual fares are somewhat expensive compared to 10 journey fares. In 2014 monthly fares was four times the 10 journey fare which is not rewarding the commuter for paying in advance for 4 weeks travel. In our determination in 2015 we reduced the monthly fare to 3.9 times the 10 journey fare and in 2015 we reduced it further to 3.8 times the 10 journey fare. This year we will apply the final adjustment when we will bring it to 3.75 times the 10 journey fare. This will result in about half of the monthly fares dropping by up to 7.0% while the longer journeys which offer the best value currently will increase by up to 3.2%. By reducing the monthly fare relative to the 10 journey fare it will reward the regular commuter financially. A number of current 10 journey customers may find it financially beneficial to switch to a monthly ticket especially if your employer operates the tax saver scheme.

In general public transport operators offer a discount on the annual fare compared to 12 monthly fares. For example Luas, Dublin Bus and Iarnród Éireann offer an annual ticket at the price of 10 monthly tickets. This is to encourage passengers to commit to travel using that operator for the following year while not charging the passenger for 2 months which allow for annual leave etc. Bus Éireann's annual ticket has traditionally been linked to their 10 journey weekly ticket and has cost up to 11.75 times their monthly ticket up until November 2014. At that stage the Authority determined that the annual ticket should over a number of years move towards offering similar value to that offered by the other public transport operators. The annual fare is like the monthly fare linked to the 10 journey fare. In 2014 it was set at 47 times the 10 journey fare. Since then it has dropped to 43 times the 10 journey fare in 2015. In 2016 the annual dropped to 41 times the 10 journey fare. This year it will drop a little further and will be 39 times the 10 journey fare. This adjustment along with the adjustment to the monthly fares results in the annual fare being 10.4 times the monthly fare for 2018. This is significant improvement from just 4 years ago when the annual fare was 11.75 times the monthly fare. These adjustments to the annual fare result in annual stage carriage fares dropping by between 0.5% and minus 10.4%.

The adjustments to the annual fare over the past number of years result in the average price of a stage carriage annual fare in 2018 being 6.5% cheaper than it was in 2014. Many passengers who commute on Bus Éireann should now consider the financial benefits of purchasing an annual ticket especially for employees who can avail of significant discounts of up to 50% under the tax saver scheme.

Customers who purchase monthly and annual tickets can also avail of the tax saver scheme. Buying the tickets through this scheme means that customers can make savings from 30% to 50% of the total cost of the tickets, depending on their particular tax circumstances. There are tax savings for employers as well.

6.11 Bus Éireann Town Services

Bus Éireann provide town services in 6 towns around the country namely Athlone, Balbriggan, Drogheda, Dundalk, Navan and Sligo. Currently leap is available in all the towns except Athlone

and Sligo but Bus Éireann have indicated that Leap will be available in both towns on 1 December 2017.

In the towns where Leap is currently available the cash adult fare is €1.80 and the leap adult fare is €1.31. As the Leap discount on all Bus Éireann tickets will be 30% from 1 December 2017 the Authority have determined that the cash fare can increase by €0.10 while with the increased leap discount the leap fare will be increasing by €0.02 up to €1.33.

The child town fares where Leap is available are €1.05 cash and €0.77 Leap. From 1 December the cash fare will increase by €0.05 and the resultant Leap fare will remain at €0.77.

In Sligo and Athlone where Leap is not currently available the cash fare is €1.70 for an adult and €1.00 for a child. The Authority determined in November 2016 that these fares could increase to €1.80 and €1.05 when Leap was introduced. As Leap was not introduced during the year the lower fares remain. However whenever Leap is introduced to these two towns the fares will be the same as outlined for the towns above. Customers in Sligo and Athlone will need to transfer to paying by Leap to avail of the best fares which will be cheaper than the current cash fares.

6.12 Multi-Operator tickets – Cork area

Bus Éireann and Iarnród Éireann offer combined rail and bus services in the Cork area. The rail services are from Cobh and Midleton and the bus services are the Bus Éireann Cork city services. In December 2014 the adult monthly ticket for the Cobh rail service and Bus Éireann city service was set at €138.00 while the Midleton service was set at €149. In 2015 the Authority determined that the Cobh fare and the Midleton fare should both be set at €138 and there has been no increase to the fare since then. Now four years on from the last increase the Authority has determined that these fares will increase from €138 by €5.00 to €143.00 while the annual fare will be ten times the monthly fare.

The equivalent student fare is somewhat expensive relative to the adult fare and it will remain at the current price of €109.00 for the fourth year in a row providing excellent value to the students of the Cork region.

6.13 Multi-operator tickets - Nationwide

Multi-operator tickets are available for all Bus Éireann and Iarnród Éireann services nationwide and also for these two services plus Dublin Bus services. As mentioned at the top of this document under the BusConnects plan it is expected that much more multi-modal travel will be required in the future to complete a journey and the Authority wish to ensure that passengers who require to change between different modes of transport to complete their journey will not be penalised financially. Therefore the Authority has determined that multi-operator monthly and annual tickets will not increase in price at this time.

6.14 Bus Éireann Non-Scale stage carriage fares

Bus Éireann have a number of fares which for various historic, commercial and operational reasons over the years are not in line with the scale fares as outlined above. These non-scale fares are cheaper than the scale fares and are on various routes scattered throughout the country. Both the Authority and Bus Éireann wish to align these fares with the scale fares but to do so would

require very large increases to some of these fares. Applying very large increases to any fare is generally not fair to the customer and therefore any increases necessary to bring these non-scale fares in line with scale fares will take place over a number of years. The adjustments which are outlined above with many fares falling will help to eliminate a number of these fares but there will be still a number of them still in place. The Authority has determined that these non-scale fares should increase by about 6% on 1 December next and this will help to further reduce the differential.

In cases where the non-scale fares are available they are just available as cash fares. Leap fares available on these routes will be the standard Leap fare.

The scale fares which the Authority has determined and are listed in appendix D at the end of this document are the maximum fares which a customer will be charged on Bus Éireann PSO services. The non-scale fares where they operate will be less than the scale fares. While the individual non-scale fare may face a higher increase than a scale fare the non-scale passenger is still paying less for their journey than the passenger who is paying the full fare.

The tables in Appendix D from page 82 onwards show the Bus Éireann stage carriage fares permissible from 1 December 2017 as determined by the Authority.

6.15 Summary

The fares determination for Bus Éireann for 2018 has been based on the results of a significant review of the Bus Éireann fares. The most significant changes are to the city fare area which had traditionally been based around the city centre of the regional cities. We have now expanded the city fare area in Cork, Limerick and Galway to better reflect the current movement of people which will include new city suburbs and industrial areas. Also the introduction of a slightly higher fare in the cities for those travelling more than 7.5Km better reflects the distance based approach to fares.

On the stage carriage side single fares have generally decreased to offer significantly better value especially when the 30% Leap discount is taken into consideration. In 2018 once Leap has been

rolled out to all Bus Éireann stage carriage passengers the Leap fares available for single or return travel are significantly cheaper than current fares.

Bus Éireann have also reached the position where all their fares comply with the recommended ratios for return, 1-day, 7-day, monthly and annual fares and the discounts students and children are expected to receive.

Significant changes have applied to many of the Bus Éireann fares for 2018 and almost all of these changes will benefit the passenger financially with Bus Éireann offering better value to its customers.

6.16 Summary of fare changes

➤ Regional cities & towns

- No increase in Leap fares with some Leap fares dropping by 1 cent.
- Leap discount extended from 27% to 30%.
- Cash fare up 10 cent adult, 5 cent child
- 1-day, 7-day, monthly and annual vary from -1.8% to + 5.0% with a small number of larger increases to fares which provided exceptional value - fares adjusted to move closer to Authorities recommendations.

➤ Stage Carriage

- Leap discount extended from 20% to 30%.
- All Leap fares dropping by an average 18%.
- Average drop in adult cash fares of -5.1% with just 4 fares increasing.
- Average drop in child and student cash fares of -10.0% with just 3 of 68 fares increasing.
- Adult returns adjusted by -7.7% to 5.0%.
- All child ordinary returns drop by up to 8.6%.
- Child day returns and student returns adjusted by between -15% and 4.0%.
- Adult 10 Journey average increase of 1.0% with adjustments from -5.8% to + 4.6%.

- Child and student 10 Journey fares average drop of 2.2% with adjustments from -9.7% to + 3.2%.
- Adult monthly taxsaver varies -7.0% to + 3.2%.
- Adult annual drop from -0.5% to -10.4% with fares on average 6.5% cheaper than in 2014.
- Multi-operator fares no increase

All the determined fares for Bus Éireann are set out in appendix D from page 82 onwards.

Appendices – Detailed Fare tables

7. Appendix A – Dublin Bus Fares

Adult Leap and cash singles

Adult Leap single fares	Current Fare	Approved Fare	Approved % Increase
Stages	€	€	
Stages 1 to 3	1.50	1.50	0.0%
Stages 4 to 13	2.05	2.15	4.9%
Over 13 Stages	2.60	2.60	0.0%
Xpresso	2.85	2.90	1.8%
City Centre Fare	0.60	Withdraw 31 January 2018	

Adult Cash single fares	Current Fare	Approved Fare	Approved % Increase
Stages	€	€	
Stages 1 to 3	2.00	2.10	5.0%
Stages 4 to 13	2.70	2.85	5.6%
Over 13 Stages	3.30	3.30	0.0%
Xpresso	3.60	3.65	1.4%
City Centre Fare	0.75	Withdraw 31 January 2018	

Child Leap and cash singles

Child Leap fares	Current Fare	Approved Fare	Approved % Increase
Stages	€	€	
Child (School Hours)	0.79	0.80	1.3%
Stages 1 to 7	0.90	0.95	5.6%
Over 7 stages	1.10	1.05	-4.5%
Xpresso	1.20	1.22	1.7%

Child Cash single fares	Current Fare	Approved Fare	Approved % Increase
Stages	€	€	
Child (School Hours)	1.00	1.00	0.0%
Stages 1 to 7	1.15	1.20	4.3%
Over 7 stages	1.40	1.35	-3.6%
Xpresso	1.50	1.55	3.3%

Pre-Paid Rambler and Nitelink

Ticket Description	Current Ticket Price	Approved Ticket Price	Approved % Increase
	€	€	
1-Day Family Rambler	14.40	14.70	2.1%
Rambler 5 Day Adult	31.50	32.10	1.9%
Rambler 30 Day Adult	157.50	160.50	1.9%
Rambler 5 Day Student	22.90	23.30	1.7%
Rambler 30 Day Student	114.50	116.50	1.7%
Nitelink Cash	6.50	6.60	1.5%
Nitelink Leap	5.20	5.29	1.7%

Leap Capping, Dublin Bus (No Change)

Dublin Bus daily and weekly Leap caps			
	Adult	Student	Child
BÁC daily cap	€7.00	€5.00	€2.70
BÁC weekly cap	€27.50	€20.00	€8.50

Leap Capping Multi-Operator (no change)

Multi-Operator daily and weekly Leap capping levels			
	Adult	Student	Child
Multi-Operator daily cap	€10.00	€7.50	€3.50
Multi-Operator weekly cap	€40.00	€30.00	€14.00

Dublin Bus Monthly and Annual Tickets

Ticket Description	Current Ticket Price	Approved Ticket Price	Approved % Increase
Dublin Bus Monthly and Annual			
Adult Travelwide Monthly (Dublin Bus only)	€132.00	€134.00	1.5%
Adult Travelwide Annual (Dublin Bus only)	€1,320.00	€1,340.00	1.5%

Multi Operator Monthly and Annual Tickets

Multi-Operator Annual Fares	Current Ticket Price	Approved Ticket Price	Approved % Increase
Iarnród Éireann Short Hop Zone – & Dublin Bus	€1,800.00	€1,800.00	0.0%
Iarnród Éireann Short Hop Zone, Dublin Bus & Luas	€2,180.00	€2,180.00	0.0%
Adult Bus/Luas (Dublin Bus & Luas)	€1,620.00	€1,620.00	0.0%
Adult Iarnród Éireann /Dublin Bus - All Services	€5,540.00	€5,540.00	0.0%
CIE all services Annual (Dublin Bus, Iarnród Éireann & Bus Éireann)	€6,530.00	€6,530.00	0.0%

Multi-Operator Monthly Fares	Current Ticket Price	Approved Ticket Price	Approved % Increase
Iarnród Éireann Short Hop Zone – & Dublin Bus	€180.00	€180.00	0.0%
Iarnród Éireann Short Hop Zone, Dublin Bus & Luas	€218.00	€218.00	0.0%
Adult Bus/Luas (Dublin Bus & Luas)	€162.00	€162.00	0.0%

Iarnród Éireann add-on ticket	Current Ticket Price	Approved Ticket Price	Approved % Increase
Adult Monthly Iarnród Éireann Dublin Bus/Luas Add-on	€43.00	€43.00	0.0%
Adult Annual Iarnród Éireann Dublin Bus/Luas Add-on	€430.00	€430.00	0.0%

8. Appendix C - Luas fares

<u>Luas City Centre Leap OFF-Peak fare</u>			<u>New Fare</u>	
<u>Zone</u>	<u>Adult</u>	<u>Fare type</u>	<u>Current Leap Off-Peak Fare</u>	<u>Approved Fare</u>
1	Adult	Leap City Centre Off-Peak	New fare for one year only	€1.00

<u>Luas Adult Leap OFF-Peak fares</u>					
<u>Zone</u>	<u>Adult</u>	<u>Fare type</u>	<u>Current Leap Off-Peak Fare</u>	<u>Approved Fare</u>	<u>Approved % increase</u>
1	Adult	Leap Off-Peak Single	€1.39	€1.44	3.6%
2	Adult	Leap Off-Peak Single	€1.70	€1.77	4.1%
3 & 4	Adult	Leap Off-Peak Single	€2.13	€2.20	3.3%
5-8	Adult	Leap Off-Peak Single	€2.35	€2.45	4.3%

<u>Luas Adult Leap Peak fares</u>					
<u>Zone</u>	<u>Adult</u>	<u>Fare type</u>	<u>Current Leap Peak fare</u>	<u>Approved Fare</u>	<u>Approved % increase</u>
1	Adult	Leap Peak Single	€1.54	€1.54	0.0%
2	Adult	Leap Peak Single	€1.85	€1.94	4.9%
3 & 4	Adult	Leap Peak Single	€2.24	€2.27	1.3%
5-8	Adult	Leap Peak Single	€2.50	€2.50	0.0%

<u>Luas Adult Cash single fares</u>					
<u>Zone</u>	<u>Adult</u>	<u>Fare type</u>	<u>Current Cash Fare</u>	<u>Approved Fare</u>	<u>Approved % increase</u>
1	Adult	Cash Single	€2.00	€2.10	5.0%
2	Adult	Cash Single	€2.40	€2.50	4.2%
3 & 4	Adult	Cash Single	€2.90	€3.00	3.4%
5-8	Adult	Cash Single	€3.30	€3.30	0.0%

Luas Child Leap single fares - All Day

<u>Zone</u>	<u>Child</u>	<u>Fare type</u>	<u>Current Leap Fare</u>	<u>Approved Fare</u>	<u>Approved % increase</u>
1-3	Child	Leap all-day Single	€0.80	€0.80	0.0%
4-8	Child	Leap all-day Single	€0.96	€0.96	0.0%

Luas Child Cash single fares

<u>Zone</u>	<u>Child</u>	<u>Fare type</u>	<u>Current Cash Fare</u>	<u>Approved Fare</u>	<u>Approved % increase</u>
1-3	Child	Cash Single	€1.00	€1.00	0.0%
4-8	Child	Cash Single	€1.20	€1.20	0.0%

Luas Adult Cash Return Fares

<u>Zone</u>	<u>Adult</u>	<u>Fare type</u>	<u>Current Return Cash Fare</u>	<u>Approved Fare</u>	<u>Approved % increase</u>
1	Adult	Cash Return	€3.60	€3.70	2.8%
2	Adult	Cash Return	€4.20	€4.40	4.8%
3 & 4	Adult	Cash Return	€5.20	€5.40	3.8%
5-8	Adult	Cash Return	€5.70	€5.90	3.5%

Luas Child Cash Return Fares

<u>Zone</u>	<u>Child</u>	<u>Fare type</u>	<u>Current Return Cash Fare</u>	<u>Approved Fare</u>	<u>Approved % increase</u>
1-3	Child	Cash Return	€1.80	€1.80	0.0%
4-8	Child	Cash Return	€2.30	€2.30	0.0%

Luas Pre-paid, monthly and annual

<u>Adult Prepaid Fares 1-day, 7-Day & 30-Day</u>					
<u>Zone</u>	<u>Adult</u>	<u>Fare type</u>	<u>Current Fare</u>	<u>Approved Fare</u>	<u>Approved % increase</u>
All zones	Adult	1 Day	€7.00	€7.20	2.9%
1	Adult	7 Day	€15.90	€16.30	2.5%
2	Adult	7 Day	€19.00	€19.70	3.7%
3 & 4	Adult	7 Day	€23.50	€24.50	4.3%
5-8	Adult	7 Day	€26.00	€27.00	3.8%
1	Adult	30 Day	€64.00	€65.00	1.6%
2	Adult	30 Day	€76.00	€79.00	3.9%
3 & 4	Adult	30 Day	€92.00	€95.00	3.3%
5-8	Adult	30 Day	€100.00	€102.00	2.0%

<u>Child Prepaid Fares 1-day, 7-Day & 30-Day</u>					
<u>Zone</u>	<u>Child</u>	<u>Fare type</u>	<u>Current Fare</u>	<u>Approved Fare</u>	<u>Approved % increase</u>
All zones	Child	1 Day	€2.90	€3.00	3.4%
1-3	Child	7 Day	€7.50	€7.80	4.0%
4-8	Child	7 Day	€9.20	€9.40	2.2%
1-3	Child	30 Day	€30.00	€31.00	3.3%
4-8	Child	30 Day	€37.00	€37.50	1.4%

<u>Student Prepaid Fares 1-day, 7-Day & 30-Day</u>					
<u>Zone</u>	<u>Student</u>	<u>Fare type</u>	<u>Current Fare</u>	<u>Approved Fare</u>	<u>Approved % increase</u>
1	Student	7 Day	€11.70	€12.00	2.6%
2	Student	7 Day	€13.20	€13.70	3.8%
3 & 4	Student	7 Day	€16.50	€17.00	3.0%
5-8	Student	7 Day	€18.50	€19.00	2.7%
1	Student	30 Day	€44.00	€45.50	3.4%
2	Student	30 Day	€52.00	€54.50	4.8%
3 & 4	Student	30 Day	€63.00	€65.00	3.2%
5-8	Student	30 Day	€72.50	€75.00	3.4%

<u>Luas/Dublin Bus Add-On to Iarnród Éireann Intercity Fare</u>				
<u>Fare type</u>	<u>Fare type</u>	<u>Current Fare</u>	<u>Approved Fare</u>	<u>Approved % increase</u>
Adult	Single	€1.70	€1.70	0.0%
Adult	Return	€3.40	€3.40	0.0%
Adult	Weekly	€10.20	€10.20	0.0%
Child	Single	€0.80	€0.80	0.0%
Child	Return	€1.60	€1.60	0.0%

<u>Luas only annual and monthly tickets</u>				
<u>Fare type</u>	<u>Fare type</u>	<u>Current Fare</u>	<u>Approved Fare</u>	<u>Approved % increase</u>
Monthly	Adult Luas All Zones	€100.00	€110.00	10.0%
Annual	Adult Luas All Zones	€1,000.00	€1,100.00	10.0%

<u>Luas combined annual and monthly tickets -- All adult tickets</u>				
	<u>Fare type</u>	<u>Current Fare</u>	<u>Approved Fare</u>	<u>Approved % increase</u>
Monthly Tickets				
	Luas & Dublin Bus	€162.00	€162.00	0.0%
	Luas & Iarnród Éireann SHZ	€180.00	€180.00	0.0%
	Luas, Dublin Bus & Iarnród Éireann SHZ	€218.00	€218.00	0.0%
	Luas / Dublin Bus Add on to Iarnród Éireann intercity	€43.00	€43.00	0.0%
Annual Tickets				
	Luas & Dublin Bus	€1,620.00	€1,620.00	0.0%
	Luas & Iarnród Éireann SHZ	€1,800.00	€1,800.00	0.0%
	Luas, Dublin Bus & Iarnród Éireann SHZ	€2,180.00	€2,180.00	0.0%
	Luas / Dublin Bus Add on to Iarnród Éireann intercity	€430.00	€430.00	0.0%
	Iarnród Éireann all services & Luas	€5,540.00	€5,540.00	0.0%

9. Appendix D - Iarnród Éireann fares

Dublin Short Hop Zone fares

Dublin Short Hop Zone Leap fares				
Zone	Fare type	Current Fare	Approved Fare	Approved % Increase
1	Adult Leap Single	€1.73	€1.81	4.6%
3	Adult Leap Single	€2.46	€2.50	1.6%
4	Adult Leap Single	€2.93	€3.00	2.4%
5	Adult Leap Single	€3.56	€3.72	4.5%
6	Adult Leap Single	€4.69	€4.75	1.3%

Dublin Short Hop Zone Cash fares				
Zone	Fare type	Current Fare	Approved Fare	Approved % Increase
1	Adult Cash Single	€2.20	€2.30	4.5%
3	Adult Cash Single	€3.25	€3.30	1.5%
4	Adult Cash Single	€3.80	€3.85	1.3%
5	Adult Cash Single	€4.60	€4.75	3.3%
6	Adult Cash Single	€5.90	€6.00	1.7%
1	Adult Cash return	€3.95	€4.10	3.8%
3	Adult Cash return	€6.15	€6.25	1.6%
4	Adult Cash return	€6.85	€6.95	1.5%
5	Adult Cash return	€8.50	€8.80	3.5%
6	Adult Cash return	€10.80	€10.90	0.9%

Dublin Short Hop Zone adult 3-day & 7-day fares				
Zone	Product	Current Price	Approved Fare	Approved % Increase
1	Adult 3 Day	€11.70	€12.15	3.8%
3	Adult 3 Day	€17.10	€17.50	2.3%
4	Adult 3 Day	€19.70	€20.00	1.5%
5	Adult 3 Day	€23.80	€24.75	4.0%
6	Adult 3 Day	€26.50	€27.00	1.9%
1	Adult 7 Day	€19.40	€20.15	3.9%
3	Adult 7 Day	€29.00	€29.50	1.7%
4	Adult 7 Day	€34.00	€34.50	1.5%
5	Adult 7 Day	€40.10	€41.70	4.0%
6	Adult 7 Day	€45.30	€46.00	1.5%

Dublin Short Hop Zone Child Leap fares				
Zone	Fare Type	Current Fare	Approved Fare	Approved % Increase
1	Child Leap Single	€0.86	€0.88	2.3%
3	Child Leap Single	€1.23	€1.25	1.6%
4 + 5	Child Leap Single	€1.39	€1.40	0.7%
6	Child Leap Single	€1.88	€1.90	1.1%
All	Schoolchild Leap Single	€0.77	€0.80	3.9%

Dublin Short Hop Zone Child Cash fares				
Zone	Fare Type	Current Fare	Approved Fare	Approved % Increase
1	Child cash single	€1.25	€1.30	4.0%
3	Child cash single	€1.70	€1.75	2.9%
4 + 5	Child cash single	€1.85	€1.90	2.7%
6	Child cash single	€2.45	€2.50	2.0%
All	Schoolchild cash single	€1.25	€1.25	0.0%
1	Child Return	€2.05	€2.10	2.4%
3	Child Return	€2.95	€3.00	1.7%
4 + 5	Child Return	€3.25	€3.30	1.5%
6	Child Return	€4.60	€4.65	1.1%
All	Schoolchild Return	€2.00	€2.00	0.0%

Short Hop Zone DART & Commuter Fares (Day Tickets)				
Ticket Type	Current Fare	Approved Fare	Approved % Increase	
Adult All Day Rail only	€11.70	€12.00	2.6%	
Family All Day Rail only	€20.00	€20.00	0.0%	

Short Hop Zone DART & Commuter Fares (3 Day & Weekly)				
Ticket Type	Current Fare	Approved Fare	Approved % Increase	
3 Day Rail only	€27.00	€28.00	3.7%	

Cork Commuter zone fares

<u>Cork Cobh Midleton adult Leap</u>			
Zone	<u>Current</u>	<u>Approved</u>	<u>Approved % Increase</u>
Zone A	€1.67	€1.70	1.8%
Zone B	€2.34	€2.40	2.6%
Zone C	€3.26	Withdrawn	Withdrawn
Zone D	€4.74	€4.50	-5.1%
Zone E	€4.77	Withdrawn	Withdrawn

<u>Cork Cobh Midleton Child Leap</u>			
Zone	<u>Current</u>	<u>Approved</u>	<u>Approved % Increase</u>
Zone A	€0.81	€0.84	3.7%
Zone B	€1.16	€1.20	3.4%
Zone C	€1.63	Withdrawn	Withdrawn
Zone D	€2.34	€2.25	-3.8%
Zone E	€2.40	Withdrawn	Withdrawn
Schoolchild All Zones	€0.77	€0.80	3.9%

<u>Cork Cobh Midleton adult single cash</u>			
Zone	<u>Current</u>	<u>Approved</u>	<u>Approved % Increase</u>
Zone A	€2.10	€2.20	4.8%
Zone B	€2.95	€3.00	1.7%
Zone C	€4.10	Withdrawn	Withdrawn
Zone D	€6.15	€5.90	-4.1%
Zone E	€6.25	Withdrawn	Withdrawn

<u>Cork Cobh Midleton Child single cash</u>			
Zone	<u>Current</u>	<u>Approved</u>	<u>Approved % Increase</u>
Zone A	€1.00	€1.05	5.0%
Zone B	€1.45	€1.50	3.4%
Zone C	€2.05	Withdrawn	Withdrawn
Zone D	€3.05	€2.95	-3.3%
Zone E	€3.10	Withdrawn	Withdrawn

<u>Cork Cobh Midleton adult day return tickets</u>			
Zone	<u>Current</u>	<u>Approved</u>	<u>Approved % Increase</u>
Zone A	€3.95	€4.00	1.3%
Zone B	€5.25	€5.40	2.9%
Zone C	€7.05	Withdrawn	Withdrawn
Zone D	€9.90	€10.00	1.0%
Zone E	€9.90	Withdrawn	Withdrawn

<u>Cork Cobh Midleton Child day return tickets</u>			
Zone	<u>Current</u>	<u>Approved</u>	<u>Approved % Increase</u>
Zone A	€1.95	€2.00	2.6%
Zone B	€2.60	€2.65	1.9%
Zone C	€3.50	Withdrawn	Withdrawn
Zone D	€4.95	€5.00	1.0%
Zone E	€4.95	Withdrawn	Withdrawn

<u>Cork Cobh Midleton adult weekly tickets</u>			
Zone	<u>Current</u>	<u>Approved</u>	<u>Approved % Increase</u>
Zone A	€16.90	€17.50	3.6%
Zone B	€23.60	€24.00	1.7%
Zone C	€27.40	Withdrawn	Withdrawn
Zone D	€35.90	€35.50	-1.1%
Zone E	€37.90	Withdrawn	Withdrawn

<u>Cork Cobh Midleton student weekly tickets</u>			
Zone	<u>Current</u>	<u>Approved</u>	<u>Approved % Increase</u>
Zone A	€9.25	€9.50	2.7%
Zone B	€12.50	€13.00	4.0%
Zone C	€15.50	Withdrawn	Withdrawn
Zone D	€19.85	€20.00	0.8%
Zone E	€21.70	Withdrawn	Withdrawn

<u>Cork Cobh Midleton Family Day Return Tickets</u>			
Zone	<u>Current</u>	<u>Approved</u>	<u>Approved % Increase</u>
Zone A	€8.85	€9.00	1.7%
Zone B	€13.10	€13.50	3.1%
Zone C	€15.50	Withdrawn	Withdrawn
Zone D	€21.75	€20.00	-8.0%
Zone E	€24.00	Withdrawn	Withdrawn

Adult 1 Day Rail (Cobh & Midleton) & Bus (Cork City Green Zone) Combined Tickets		
<u>Current</u>	<u>Approved</u>	<u>Approved % Increase</u>
€13.20	€13.40	1.5%

Iarnród Éireann Monthly and Annual Services

<u>Short Hop Zone Adult Monthly</u>	<u>Current</u>	<u>Approved</u>	<u>Approved % Increase</u>
Rail Only	€152.00	€154.00	1.3%
Rail & Dublin Bus	€180.00	€180.00	0.0%
Rail & Luas	€180.00	€180.00	0.0%
Rail, Bus & Luas	€218.00	€218.00	0.0%

<u>Short Hop Zone Student Monthly</u>	<u>Current</u>	<u>Approved</u>	<u>Approved % Increase</u>
Rail Only	€99.50	€100.00	0.5%

<u>Short Hop Zone Adult Annual</u>	<u>Current</u>	<u>Approved</u>	<u>Approved % Increase</u>
Rail Only	€1,520.00	€1,540.00	1.3%
Rail & Dublin Bus	€1,800.00	€1,800.00	0.0%
Rail & Luas	€1,800.00	€1,800.00	0.0%
Rail, Bus & Luas	€2,180.00	€2,180.00	0.0%

<u>All Services - Annual only</u>	<u>Current</u>	<u>Approved</u>	<u>Approved % Increase</u>
Iarnród Éireann all services	€5,000.00	€5,050.00	1.0%
Iarnród Éireann & Dublin Bus	€5,540.00	€5,540.00	0.0%
Iarnród Éireann & Bus Éireann	€5,540.00	€5,540.00	0.0%
Iarnród Éireann & Luas	€5,540.00	€5,540.00	0.0%
CIÉ All Services - Iarnród Éireann, Dublin Bus & Bus Éireann	€6,530.00	€6,530.00	0.0%

<u>Intercity Adult Monthly</u>			
<u>Intercity Zone</u>	<u>Current</u>	<u>Approved</u>	<u>Approved % Increase</u>
A	€127.00	€129.00	1.6%
B	€176.00	€178.00	1.1%
C	€199.00	€202.00	1.5%
D	€237.00	€237.00	0.0%
E	€261.00	€264.00	1.1%
F	€325.00	€329.00	1.2%
G	€358.00	€362.00	1.1%
H	€387.00	€392.00	1.3%
J	€432.00	€437.00	1.2%
K	€490.00	€496.00	1.2%
L	€500.00	€505.00	1.0%
M	€626.00	€633.00	1.1%
N	€780.00	€790.00	1.3%
P	€896.00	€907.00	1.2%
R	€956.00	€967.00	1.2%
S	€1,040.00	€1,050.00	1.0%
T	€1,125.00	€1,140.00	1.3%
U	€1,220.00	€1,235.00	1.2%

<u>Intercity Adult Annual</u>			
<u>Intercity Zone</u>	<u>Current</u>	<u>Approved</u>	<u>Approved % Increase</u>
A	€1,270.00	€1,290.00	1.6%
B	€1,760.00	€1,780.00	1.1%
C	€1,990.00	€2,020.00	1.5%
D	€2,370.00	€2,370.00	0.0%
E	€2,610.00	€2,640.00	1.1%
F	€3,250.00	€3,290.00	1.2%
G	€3,580.00	€3,620.00	1.1%
H	€3,870.00	€3,920.00	1.3%
J	€4,320.00	€4,370.00	1.2%
K	€4,900.00	€4,960.00	1.2%
Iarnród Éireann All Services ticket	€5,000.00	€5,050.00	1.0%

<u>Intercity Student Monthly</u>			
<u>Zone</u>	<u>Current</u>	<u>Approved</u>	<u>Approved % Increase</u>
A	€89.00	€90.00	1.1%
B	€119.00	€120.00	0.8%
C	€130.00	€131.00	0.8%
D	€176.00	€176.00	0.0%
E	€189.00	€191.00	1.1%
F	€235.00	€238.00	1.3%
G	€253.00	€256.00	1.2%
H	€259.00	€262.00	1.2%
J	€294.00	€298.00	1.4%
K	€348.00	€352.00	1.1%
L	€384.00	€389.00	1.3%
M	€442.00	€447.00	1.1%
N	€541.00	€548.00	1.3%
P	€631.00	€638.00	1.1%
R	€673.00	€681.00	1.2%
S	€732.00	€740.00	1.1%
T	€792.00	€802.00	1.3%
U	€859.00	€870.00	1.3%

<u>Intercity Child Monthly</u>			
<u>Zone</u>	<u>Current</u>	<u>Approved</u>	<u>Approved % Increase</u>
A	€46.50	€47.00	1.1%
B	€69.50	€70.00	0.7%
C	€83.50	€84.50	1.2%
D	€105.00	€106.00	1.0%
E	€113.00	€114.00	0.9%
F	€142.00	€144.00	1.4%
G	€155.00	€157.00	1.3%
H	€161.00	€163.00	1.2%
J	€179.50	€182.00	1.4%
K	€222.00	€225.00	1.4%
L	€238.50	€241.00	1.0%
M	€280.00	€284.00	1.4%
N	€350.00	€355.00	1.4%
P	€405.00	€408.00	0.7%
R	€430.00	€435.00	1.2%
S	€470.00	€472.00	0.4%
T	€505.00	€513.00	1.6%
U	€550.00	€555.00	0.9%

Cork Cobh Midleton adult Monthly tickets			
<u>Zone</u>	<u>Current</u>	<u>Approved</u>	<u>Approved % Increase</u>
Zone A	€63.00	€65.00	3.2%
Zone B	€86.00	€88.00	2.3%
Zone C	€100.00	Withdrawn	Withdrawn
Zone D	€123.50	€120.00	-2.8%
Zone E	€126.90	Withdrawn	Withdrawn

Cork Cobh Midleton Adult Annual tickets			
<u>Zone</u>	<u>Current</u>	<u>Approved</u>	<u>Approved % Increase</u>
Zone A	€630.00	€650.00	3.2%
Zone B	€860.00	€880.00	2.3%
Zone C	€1,000.00	Withdrawn	Withdrawn
Zone D	€1,235.00	€1,200.00	-2.8%
Zone E	€1,269.00	Withdrawn	Withdrawn

Cork Cobh Midleton Child Monthly tickets			
<u>Zone</u>	<u>Current</u>	<u>Approved</u>	<u>Approved % Increase</u>
Zone A	€24.00	€24.80	3.3%
Zone B	€31.30	€32.20	2.9%
Zone C	€38.65	Withdrawn	Withdrawn
Zone D	€48.25	€48.00	-0.5%
Zone E	€50.70	Withdrawn	Withdrawn

Cork Cobh Midleton student Monthly tickets			
<u>Zone</u>	<u>Current</u>	<u>Approved</u>	<u>Approved % Increase</u>
Zone A	€33.75	€35.00	3.7%
Zone B	€45.30	€47.00	3.8%
Zone C	€53.75	Withdrawn	Withdrawn
Zone D	€70.80	€70.00	-1.1%
Zone E	€77.00	Withdrawn	Withdrawn

Rail & Bus Combined Tickets (Rail - Cobh or Midleton + Bus - Cork City Green Zone)			
<u>Description</u>	<u>Current</u>	<u>Approved</u>	<u>Approved % Increase</u>
Adult Monthly Cobh/Midleton Line & Cork City Services	€138.00	€143.00	3.6%
Student Monthly Cobh/Midleton Line & Cork City Services	€109.00	€109.00	0.0%
Adult Annual Cobh/Midleton Line & Cork City Services	€1,380.00	€1,430.00	3.6%

Iarnród Éireann Intercity Services

Intercity Adult Express Single and Return Fares									
Zone	Current Fares			Approved Fares			Approved % Increase		
	Single	Day Return	Open Return	Single	Day Return	Open Return	Single	Day Return	Open Return
Zone A	€5.95	€10.80	€11.70	€6.00	€10.90	€11.80	0.8%	0.9%	0.9%
Zone B	€8.70	€15.10	€16.25	€8.80	€15.30	€16.45	1.1%	1.3%	1.2%
Zone C	€11.35	€18.50	€19.80	€11.35	€18.70	€20.00	0.0%	1.1%	1.0%
Zone D	€15.05	€20.85	€22.50	€14.30	€20.85	€22.80	-5.0%	0.0%	1.3%
Zone E	€16.60	€23.75	€25.70	€15.75	€24.00	€26.00	-5.1%	1.1%	1.2%
Zone F	€18.80	€26.50	€29.00	€17.85	€26.80	€29.35	-5.1%	1.1%	1.2%
Zone G	€23.85	€30.85	€34.30	€22.65	€31.20	€34.70	-5.0%	1.1%	1.2%
Zone H	€27.80	€36.75	€40.75	€26.40	€37.20	€41.20	-5.0%	1.2%	1.1%
Zone J	€30.75	€40.10	€44.70	€29.20	€40.60	€45.20	-5.0%	1.2%	1.1%
Zone K	€36.10	€44.75	€50.35	€34.25	€45.30	€50.95	-5.1%	1.2%	1.2%
Zone L	€39.25	€48.70	€54.55	€37.25	€49.30	€55.20	-5.1%	1.2%	1.2%
Zone M	€42.65	€51.40	€57.90	€40.50	€52.00	€58.60	-5.0%	1.2%	1.2%
Zone N	€47.30	€57.65	€65.30	€44.90	€58.30	€66.10	-5.1%	1.1%	1.2%
Zone P	€53.05	€62.85	€70.55	€50.35	€63.60	€71.40	-5.1%	1.2%	1.2%
Zone R	€58.15	€67.65	€75.95	€55.20	€68.50	€76.85	-5.1%	1.3%	1.2%
Zone S	€63.10	€72.50	€79.60	€59.90	€73.40	€80.60	-5.1%	1.2%	1.3%
Zone T	€65.65	€79.50	€86.75	€62.35	€82.00	€87.80	-5.0%	3.1%	1.2%
Zone U	€68.55	€82.00	€89.75	€65.10	€84.00	€90.80	-5.0%	2.4%	1.2%

Intercity Adult Economy 1 Single and Return Fares									
	Current Fares			Approved Fares			Approved % Increase		
	Single	Day Return	Open Return	Single	Day Return	Open Return	Single	Day Return	Open Return
Zone A	€5.95	€8.85	€11.50	€6.00	€8.95	€11.50	0.8%	1.1%	0.0%
Zone B	€8.10	€11.95	€15.00	€8.20	€12.10	€15.20	1.2%	1.3%	1.3%
Zone C	€10.35	€12.50	€18.50	€10.45	€12.65	€18.50	1.0%	1.2%	0.0%
Zone D	€13.05	€13.95	€21.75	€13.05	€14.10	€21.75	0.0%	1.1%	0.0%
Zone E	€13.85	€14.60	€24.60	€14.00	€14.80	€24.60	1.1%	1.4%	0.0%
Zone F	€16.40	€18.90	€25.95	€16.50	€18.90	€25.95	0.6%	0.0%	0.0%
Zone G	€19.70	€21.00	€31.05	€19.70	€21.00	€31.05	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Zone H	€21.30	€23.15	€33.00	€21.30	€23.15	€33.00	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Zone J	€22.70	€24.65	€34.75	€23.00	€24.65	€34.75	1.3%	0.0%	0.0%
Zone K	€25.85	€27.70	€39.40	€26.00	€28.00	€39.40	0.6%	1.1%	0.0%
Zone L	€29.55	€31.45	€42.40	€29.55	€31.45	€42.40	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Zone M	€30.95	€33.35	€44.60	€30.95	€33.35	€44.60	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Zone N	€32.70	€34.50	€47.10	€32.70	€34.90	€47.10	0.0%	1.2%	0.0%
Zone P	€36.65	€39.10	€51.40	€36.65	€39.10	€51.40	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Zone R	€38.05	€40.25	€53.65	€38.05	€40.25	€53.65	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Zone S	€40.00	€42.45	€57.25	€40.00	€42.45	€57.25	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Zone T	€41.60	€43.25	€59.95	€41.60	€43.25	€59.95	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%

Intercity Adult Economy 2 Single and Return Fares									
	Current Fares			Approved Fares			Approved % Increase		
	Single	Day Return	Open Return	Single	Day Return	Open Return	Single	Day Return	Open Return
Zone A	€5.95	€8.85	€10.95	€6.00	€8.95	€11.10	0.8%	1.1%	1.4%
Zone B	€8.10	€11.95	€15.00	€8.20	€12.10	€15.20	1.2%	1.3%	1.3%
Zone C	€10.35	€12.50	€17.65	€10.45	€12.65	€17.85	1.0%	1.2%	1.1%
Zone D	€12.75	€13.95	€18.25	€12.90	€14.10	€18.50	1.2%	1.1%	1.4%
Zone E	€13.85	€14.60	€19.70	€14.00	€14.80	€19.95	1.1%	1.4%	1.3%
Zone F	€16.35	€18.15	€21.80	€16.50	€18.35	€22.05	0.9%	1.1%	1.1%
Zone G	€17.70	€19.50	€23.25	€17.90	€19.75	€23.50	1.1%	1.3%	1.1%
Zone H	€20.50	€22.00	€29.40	€20.75	€22.25	€29.75	1.2%	1.1%	1.2%
Zone J	€22.70	€23.90	€32.25	€23.00	€24.20	€32.65	1.3%	1.3%	1.2%
Zone K	€25.85	€27.70	€35.45	€26.00	€28.00	€35.90	0.6%	1.1%	1.3%
Zone L	€27.65	€30.10	€37.05	€28.00	€30.45	€37.50	1.3%	1.2%	1.2%
Zone M	€29.20	€30.90	€38.40	€29.55	€31.25	€38.85	1.2%	1.1%	1.2%
Zone N	€32.05	€34.50	€42.85	€32.45	€34.90	€43.35	1.2%	1.2%	1.2%
Zone P	€33.85	€36.90	€45.30	€34.25	€37.35	€45.85	1.2%	1.2%	1.2%
Zone R	€35.15	€38.15	€47.30	€35.55	€38.60	€47.85	1.1%	1.2%	1.2%
Zone S	€36.90	€39.25	€47.90	€37.35	€39.70	€48.45	1.2%	1.1%	1.1%
Zone T	€38.15	€40.40	€49.05	€38.60	€40.90	€49.65	1.2%	1.2%	1.2%
Zone U	€39.15	€41.55	€50.25	€39.60	€42.00	€50.85	1.1%	1.1%	1.2%

Intercity Student Express Single & Return tickets						
Zone	Current Fares		Approved Fares		Approved % Increase	
	Single	Return	Single	Return	Single	Return
Zone A	€5.50	€7.00	€5.50	€7.00	0.0%	0.0%
Zone B	€8.00	€10.10	€8.00	€10.20	0.0%	1.0%
Zone C	€11.00	€14.00	€11.00	€14.00	0.0%	0.0%
Zone D	€12.50	€15.80	€12.50	€15.80	0.0%	0.0%
Zone E	€13.00	€16.40	€13.00	€16.40	0.0%	0.0%
Zone F	€14.00	€17.30	€14.00	€17.30	0.0%	0.0%
Zone G	€15.00	€19.00	€15.00	€19.00	0.0%	0.0%
Zone H	€17.50	€22.00	€18.00	€22.50	2.9%	2.3%
Zone J	€17.50	€22.00	€18.00	€22.50	2.9%	2.3%
Zone K	€17.50	€22.00	€18.00	€22.50	2.9%	2.3%
Zone L	€17.50	€22.00	€18.00	€22.50	2.9%	2.3%
Zone M	€17.50	€22.00	€18.00	€22.50	2.9%	2.3%
Zone N	€17.50	€22.00	€18.00	€22.50	2.9%	2.3%
Zone P	€18.50	€23.00	€19.00	€23.50	2.7%	2.2%
Zone R	€24.00	€30.00	€24.50	€30.50	2.1%	1.7%
Zone S	€24.00	€30.00	€24.50	€30.50	2.1%	1.7%
Zone T	€26.00	€32.50	€26.50	€33.00	1.9%	1.5%
Zone U	€29.00	€36.00	€29.00	€36.50	0.0%	1.4%

Intercity Student Economy Single & Return tickets						
Zone	Current Fares		Approved Fares		Approved % Increase	
	Single	Return	Single	Return	Single	Return
Zone A	€5.50	€7.00	€5.50	€7.00	0.0%	0.0%
Zone B	€8.00	€10.10	€8.00	€10.20	0.0%	1.0%
Zone C	€10.00	€12.20	€10.00	€12.20	0.0%	0.0%
Zone D	€11.50	€14.20	€11.50	€14.20	0.0%	0.0%
Zone E	€12.00	€14.70	€12.00	€14.70	0.0%	0.0%
Zone F	€12.00	€15.20	€12.00	€15.20	0.0%	0.0%
Zone G	€14.50	€18.10	€14.50	€18.10	0.0%	0.0%
Zone H	€15.50	€19.30	€15.50	€19.50	0.0%	1.0%
Zone J	€16.00	€20.00	€16.50	€20.50	3.1%	2.5%
Zone K	€17.50	€22.00	€18.00	€22.50	2.9%	2.3%
Zone L	€17.50	€22.00	€18.00	€22.50	2.9%	2.3%
Zone M	€17.50	€22.00	€18.00	€22.50	2.9%	2.3%
Zone N	€17.50	€22.00	€18.00	€22.50	2.9%	2.3%
Zone P	€18.50	€23.00	€19.00	€23.50	2.7%	2.2%
Zone R	€19.00	€24.00	€19.50	€24.50	2.6%	2.1%
Zone S	€24.00	€30.00	€24.50	€30.50	2.1%	1.7%
Zone T	€26.00	€32.50	€26.50	€33.00	1.9%	1.5%
Zone U	€27.00	€34.00	€27.50	€34.50	1.9%	1.5%

Intercity Adult Weekly ticket			
	Current	Approved	Approved % Increase
Zone A	€36.20	€36.65	1.2%
Zone B	€49.35	€49.95	1.2%
Zone C	€53.00	€53.65	1.2%
Zone D	€69.80	€70.65	1.2%
Zone E	€74.55	€75.45	1.2%
Zone F	€96.10	€97.25	1.2%
Zone G	€99.25	€100.45	1.2%
Zone H	€104.00	€105.25	1.2%
Zone J	€120.35	€121.80	1.2%
Zone K	€141.80	€143.50	1.2%
Zone L	€155.00	€156.85	1.2%
Zone M	€159.65	€161.60	1.2%
Zone N	€196.35	€198.70	1.2%
Zone P	€223.40	€226.10	1.2%
Zone R	€244.30	€247.20	1.2%
Zone S	€266.20	€269.40	1.2%
Zone T	€295.30	€298.85	1.2%
Zone U	€343.25	€347.40	1.2%

Intercity Student Weekly ticket			
	Current	Approved	Approved % Increase
Zone A	€29.80	€30.00	0.7%
Zone B	€37.50	€38.00	1.3%
Zone C	€40.60	€41.00	1.0%
Zone D	€54.00	€54.50	0.9%
Zone E	€61.80	€62.50	1.1%
Zone F	€74.10	€75.00	1.2%
Zone G	€81.80	€83.00	1.5%
Zone H	€83.90	€85.00	1.3%
Zone J	€88.50	€89.00	0.6%
Zone K	€107.00	€108.00	0.9%
Zone L	€122.00	€123.00	0.8%
Zone M	€140.00	€141.00	0.7%
Zone N	€170.00	€172.00	1.2%
Zone P	€170.00	€172.00	1.2%
Zone R	€180.00	€182.00	1.1%
Zone S	€200.00	€202.00	1.0%
Zone T	€220.00	€222.00	0.9%
Zone U	€260.00	€262.00	0.8%

Intercity Child Weekly ticket			
	Current	Approved	Approved % Increase
Zone A	€13.50	€13.60	0.7%
Zone B	€18.30	€18.50	1.1%
Zone C	€19.70	€19.90	1.0%
Zone D	€25.90	€26.20	1.2%
Zone E	€27.70	€28.00	1.1%
Zone F	€35.60	€36.10	1.4%
Zone G	€36.80	€37.20	1.1%
Zone H	€38.60	€39.00	1.0%
Zone J	€44.60	€45.20	1.3%
Zone K	€52.60	€53.20	1.1%
Zone L	€57.50	€58.10	1.0%
Zone M	€59.20	€59.80	1.0%
Zone N	€72.80	€73.60	1.1%
Zone P	€82.80	€83.70	1.1%
Zone R	€90.50	€91.50	1.1%
Zone S	€98.60	€99.70	1.1%
Zone T	€109.40	€110.60	1.1%
Zone U	€127.20	€128.60	1.1%

SPECIAL INTERCITY DAY RETURN TO DUBLIN			
	Current	Approved	Approved % Increase
Zones A to G	Minimum Fare Applies		
Zone H	€34.65	€35.05	1.2%
Zone J	€40.10	€40.60	1.2%
Zone K	€41.70	€42.20	1.2%
Zone L	€48.70	€49.30	1.2%
Zone M	€51.40	€52.00	1.2%
Zone N	€53.20	€53.85	1.2%
Zone P	€60.75	€61.45	1.2%
Zone R	€66.20	€67.00	1.2%
Zone S	€66.20	€67.00	1.2%
Zone T	€66.20	€67.00	1.2%
Zone U	€66.20	€67.00	1.2%

Waterford to Tipperary Day Return			
	Current	Approved	Approved % Increase
Zone A	€4.80	€4.80	0.0%
Zone B	€6.00	€6.00	0.0%
Zone C	€6.30	€6.30	0.0%
Zone D	€7.00	€7.00	0.0%
Zone E	€7.30	€7.30	0.0%
Zone F	€9.10	€9.10	0.0%
Zone G	€9.80	€9.80	0.0%
Zone H	€11.00	€11.00	0.0%
Zone J	€12.00	€12.00	0.0%
Zone K	€13.90	€13.90	0.0%

10. Appendix E - Bus Éireann fares

Regional Cities fares

<u>REGIONAL CITY COMMUTER - Leap fare</u>					
Fare type	Fare stage/route	Fare / product type	Current Leap fare	NTA Approved Leap fare	Approved % adjustment
Adult	0-11 stages	Leap single	€1.61	€1.61	0.0%
Adult	12+ stages	Leap single	€1.90	€1.89	-0.5%
Child	Schoolchild	Leap single	€0.77	€0.77	0.0%
Child	0-11 stages	Leap single	€0.91	€0.91	0.0%
Child	12+ stages	Leap single	€1.13	€1.12	-0.9%

<u>REGIONAL CITY COMMUTER - Cash single</u>					
Fare type	Fare stage/route	Fare / product type	Current cash fare	NTA Approved cash fare	Approved % adjustment
Adult	0-11 stages	Cash single	€2.20	€2.30	4.5%
Adult	12+ stages	Cash single	€2.60	€2.70	3.8%
Child	Schoolchild	Cash single	€1.05	€1.10	4.8%
Child	0-11 stages	Cash single	€1.25	€1.30	4.0%
Child	12+ stages	Cash single	€1.55	€1.60	3.2%

<u>REGIONAL CITY COMMUTER -- 1-Day fares</u>					
Fare type	Fare stage/route	Fare / product type	Current ticket price	NTA Approved ticket price	Approved % adjustment
Adult	Cork City - Red Zone	1 Day (24 hour)	€5.40	€5.60	3.7%
Adult	Cork City - Green Zone	1 Day (24 hour)		Withdrawn	Withdrawn
Adult	Limerick City - Red Zone	1 Day (24 hour)	€4.50	€4.70	4.4%
Adult	Galway City - Red Zone	1 Day (24 hour)	€4.50	€4.70	4.4%
Adult	Waterford City	1 Day (24 hour)	€4.50	€4.70	4.4%
Student	Cork City - Red Zone	1 Day (24 hour)	€4.40	€4.40	0.0%
Student	Cork City - Green Zone	1 Day (24 hour)		Withdrawn	Withdrawn
Child	Cork City - Red Zone	1 Day (24 hour)	€3.20	€3.20	0.0%
Child	Cork City - Green Zone	1 Day (24 hour)		Withdrawn	Withdrawn
Child	Limerick City - Red Zone	1 Day (24 hour)	New product	€2.60	New product
Child	Galway City - Red Zone	1 Day (24 hour)	New product	€2.60	New product
Child	Waterford City	1 Day (24 hour)	New product	€2.60	New product

REGIONAL CITY COMMUTER -- 7-day fares					
Fare type	Fare stage/route	Fare / product type	Current ticket price	NTA Approved ticket price	Approved % adjustment
Adult	Cork City - Red Zone	7 Day/weekly	€22.00	€23.00	4.5%
Adult	Cork City - Green Zone	7 Day/weekly		Withdrawn	Withdrawn
Adult	Limerick City - Red Zone	7 Day/weekly	€20.50	€21.00	2.4%
Adult	Galway City - Red Zone	7 Day/weekly	€20.50	€21.00	2.4%
Adult	Waterford City	7 Day/weekly	€18.30	€19.00	3.8%
Student	Cork City - Red Zone	7 Day/weekly	€17.60	€18.00	2.3%
Student	Cork City - Green Zone	7 Day/weekly		Withdrawn	Withdrawn
Student	Limerick City - Red Zone	7 Day/weekly	€17.00	€16.70	-1.8%
Student	Galway City - Red Zone	7 Day/weekly	€17.00	€16.70	-1.8%
Student	Waterford City	7 Day/weekly	€15.00	€15.00	0.0%
Child	Cork City - Red Zone	7 Day/weekly	€11.50	€12.00	4.3%
Child	Cork City - Green Zone	7 Day/weekly		Withdrawn	Withdrawn
Child	Limerick City - Red Zone	7 Day/weekly	€8.90	€9.50	6.7%
Child	Galway City - Red Zone	7 Day/weekly	€8.90	€9.50	6.7%
Child	Waterford City	7 Day/weekly	€7.90	€8.60	8.9%

REGIONAL CITY COMMUTER -- Monthly fares					
Fare type	Fare stage/route	Fare / product type	Current ticket price	NTA Approved ticket price	Approved % adjustment
Adult	Cork City - Red Zone	Monthly	€80.00	€84.00	5.0%
Adult	Cork City - Green Zone	Monthly		Withdrawn	Withdrawn
Adult	Limerick City - Red Zone	Monthly	€71.00	€74.00	4.2%
Adult	Galway City - Red Zone	Monthly	€71.00	€74.00	4.2%
Adult	Waterford City	Monthly	€65.00	€67.00	3.1%
Student	Cork City - Red Zone	Monthly	€65.00	€67.00	3.1%
Student	Cork City - Green Zone	Monthly		Withdrawn	Withdrawn
Student	Limerick City - Red Zone	Monthly	€57.00	€59.00	3.5%
Student	Galway City - Red Zone	Monthly	€57.00	€59.00	3.5%
Student	Waterford City	Monthly	€50.00	€52.00	4.0%
Child	Cork City - Red Zone	Monthly	€39.00	€41.00	5.1%
Child	Cork City - Green Zone	Monthly		Withdrawn	Withdrawn
Child	Limerick City - Red Zone	Monthly	€33.00	€35.00	6.1%
Child	Galway City - Red Zone	Monthly	€33.00	€35.00	6.1%
Child	Waterford City	Monthly	€30.00	€32.00	6.7%

REGIONAL CITY COMMUTER -- Annual fares					
Fare type	Fare stage/route	Fare / product type	Current ticket price	NTA Approved ticket price	Approved % adjustment
Adult	Cork City - Red Zone	Annual	€856.00	€882.00	3.0%
Adult	Cork City - Green Zone	Annual		Withdrawn	Withdrawn
Adult	Limerick City - Red Zone	Annual	€759.70	€777.00	2.3%
Adult	Galway City - Red Zone	Annual	€759.70	€777.00	2.3%
Adult	Waterford City	Annual	€695.50	€703.00	1.1%

Stage Carriage Fares – Leap Products Eastern Region

EASTERN REGION ZONAL FARES (Dublin Commuter) - 1 Day Leap zonal ticket					
Fare type	Fare stage/route	Fare / product type	Current ticket price	NTA Approved ticket price	Approved % adjustment
Adult	Red Zone 1	1 Day (24 hour)	€8.70	€9.00	3.4%
Adult	Green Zone 2	1 Day (24 hour)	€10.80	€11.00	1.9%
Adult	Blue Zone 3	1 Day (24 hour)	€18.20	€18.20	0.0%
Adult	Yellow Zone 4	1 Day (24 hour)	€21.00	€20.70	-1.4%
Adult	Orange Zone 5	1 Day (24 hour)	€21.50	€21.50	0.0%
Child	Red Zone 1	1 Day (24 hour)	€5.00	€5.00	0.0%
Child	Green Zone 2	1 Day (24 hour)	€6.30	€6.30	0.0%
Child	Blue Zone 3	1 Day (24 hour)	€9.10	€9.10	0.0%
Child	Yellow Zone 4	1 Day (24 hour)	New product	€12.00	New product
Student	Red Zone 1	1 Day (24 hour)	€7.00	€7.20	2.9%
Student	Green Zone 2	1 Day (24 hour)	€8.60	€8.80	2.3%
Student	Blue Zone 3	1 Day (24 hour)	€14.60	€14.50	-0.7%
Student	Yellow Zone 4	1 Day (24 hour)	New product	€16.00	New product

EASTERN REGION ZONAL FARES (Dublin Commuter) - 7 Day Leap zonal ticket					
Fare type	Fare stage/route	Fare / product type	Current ticket price	NTA Approved ticket price	Approved % adjustment
Adult	Red Zone 1	7 Day	€39.15	€39.50	0.9%
Adult	Green Zone 2	7 Day	€48.50	€49.00	1.0%
Adult	Blue Zone 3	7 Day	€61.50	€64.00	4.1%
Adult	Yellow Zone 4	7 Day	€69.00	€72.50	5.1%
Adult	Orange Zone 5	7 Day	€72.50	€76.00	4.8%
Child	Red Zone 1	7 Day	€22.20	€22.40	0.9%
Child	Green Zone 2	7 Day	€28.00	€28.20	0.7%
Child	Blue Zone 3	7 Day	€32.00	€32.00	0.0%
Child	Yellow Zone 4	7 Day	New product	€42.00	New product
Student	Red Zone 1	7 Day	€31.30	€31.50	0.6%
Student	Green Zone 2	7 Day	€38.80	€39.00	0.5%
Student	Blue Zone 3	7 Day	€49.20	€51.00	3.7%
Student	Yellow Zone 4	7 Day	€55.00	€55.00	0.0%
Student	Orange Zone 5	7 Day	€58.50	€58.50	0.0%

EASTERN REGION ZONAL FARES (Dublin Commuter) - Monthly Leap zonal ticket					
Fare type	Fare stage/route	Fare / product type	Current ticket price	NTA Approved ticket price	Approved % adjustment
Adult	Red Zone 1	Monthly	€150.00	€147.00	-2.0%
Adult	Green Zone 2	Monthly	€184.00	€183.00	-0.5%
Adult	Blue Zone 3	Monthly	€230.00	€232.00	0.9%
Adult	Yellow Zone 4	Monthly	€258.00	€259.00	0.4%
Adult	Orange Zone 5	Monthly	€272.00	€274.00	0.7%

EASTERN REGION ZONAL FARES (Dublin Commuter) - Annual Leap zonal ticket					
Fare type	Fare stage/route	Fare / product type	Current ticket price	NTA Approved ticket price	Approved % adjustment
Adult	Red Zone 1	Annual	€1,620.00	€1,544.00	-4.7%
Adult	Green Zone 2	Annual	€2,000.00	€1,922.00	-3.9%
Adult	Blue Zone 3	Annual	€2,415.00	€2,435.00	0.8%
Adult	Yellow Zone 4	Annual	€2,800.00	€2,720.00	-2.9%
Adult	Orange Zone 5	Annual	€2,950.00	€2,877.00	-2.5%

Stage Carriage Fares

STAGE CARRIAGE - ADULT - LEAP SINGLE FARES					
Passenger type	Fare stage	Fare type	Current Leap Fare	Approved Leap Fare	Approved % adjustment
Adult	0-2	Leap Single	€1.68	€1.61	-4.2%
Adult	2-4	Leap Single	€1.68	€1.61	-4.2%
Adult	5-6	Leap Single	€1.76	€1.61	-8.5%
Adult	7-8	Leap Single	€2.00	€1.89	-5.5%
Adult	9-10	Leap Single	€2.64	€2.31	-12.5%
Adult	11-12	Leap Single	€3.44	€2.80	-18.6%
Adult	13-14	Leap Single	€3.52	€3.01	-14.5%
Adult	15-16	Leap Single	€3.92	€3.29	-16.1%
Adult	17-18	Leap Single	€4.24	€3.50	-17.5%
Adult	19-20	Leap Single	€4.48	€3.85	-14.1%
Adult	21-22	Leap Single	€4.96	€4.20	-15.3%
Adult	23-24	Leap Single	€5.36	€4.55	-15.1%
Adult	25-26	Leap Single	€6.08	€5.11	-16.0%
Adult	27-30	Leap Single	€6.40	€5.39	-15.8%
Adult	31-32	Leap Single	€6.88	€5.95	-13.5%
Adult	33-36	Leap Single	€7.68	€6.65	-13.4%
Adult	37-38	Leap Single	€8.32	€7.00	-15.9%
Adult	39-42	Leap Single	€8.80	€7.70	-12.5%
Adult	43-46	Leap Single	€9.92	€8.40	-15.3%
Adult	47-50	Leap Single	€10.40	€9.10	-12.5%
Adult	51-60	Leap Single	€11.44	€9.10	-20.5%
Adult	61-64	Leap Single	€11.84	€9.80	-17.2%
Adult	65 -70	Leap Single	€12.72	€9.80	-23.0%
Adult	71-75	Leap Single	€13.52	€10.50	-22.3%
Adult	76-80	Leap Single	€14.00	€10.50	-25.0%
Adult	81-85	Leap Single	€14.48	€11.20	-22.7%
Adult	86-90	Leap Single	€15.20	€11.20	-26.3%
Adult	91-95	Leap Single	€15.60	€11.90	-23.7%
Adult	96-100	Leap Single	€15.76	€11.90	-24.5%
Adult	101-110	Leap Single	€16.64	€13.30	-20.1%
Adult	111-120	Leap Single	€17.04	€13.30	-21.9%
Adult	121-140	Leap Single	€18.08	€14.00	-22.6%
Adult	141-150	Leap Single	€18.48	€14.00	-24.2%
Adult	150	Leap Single	€18.80	€14.70	-21.8%

STAGE CARRIAGE - ADULT - CASH SINGLE FARES					
Passenger type	Fare stage	Fare type (Single, Return, etc.)	Current Fare	Approved Fare	Approved % adjustment
Adult	0-2	Cash single	€2.10	€2.30	9.5%
Adult	2-4	Cash single	€2.10	€2.30	9.5%
Adult	5-6	Cash single	€2.20	€2.30	4.5%
Adult	7-8	Cash single	€2.50	€2.70	8.0%
Adult	9-10	Cash single	€3.30	€3.30	0.0%
Adult	11-12	Cash single	€4.30	€4.00	-7.0%
Adult	13-14	Cash single	€4.40	€4.30	-2.3%
Adult	15-16	Cash single	€4.90	€4.70	-4.1%
Adult	17-18	Cash single	€5.30	€5.00	-5.7%
Adult	19-20	Cash single	€5.60	€5.50	-1.8%
Adult	21-22	Cash single	€6.20	€6.00	-3.2%
Adult	23-24	Cash single	€6.70	€6.50	-3.0%
Adult	25-26	Cash single	€7.60	€7.30	-3.9%
Adult	27-30	Cash single	€8.00	€7.70	-3.8%
Adult	31-32	Cash single	€8.60	€8.50	-1.2%
Adult	33-36	Cash single	€9.60	€9.50	-1.0%
Adult	37-38	Cash single	€10.40	€10.00	-3.8%
Adult	39-42	Cash single	€11.00	€11.00	0.0%
Adult	43-46	Cash single	€12.40	€12.00	-3.2%
Adult	47-50	Cash single	€13.00	€13.00	0.0%
Adult	51-60	Cash single	€14.30	€13.00	-9.1%
Adult	61-64	Cash single	€14.80	€14.00	-5.4%
Adult	65 -70	Cash single	€15.90	€14.00	-11.9%
Adult	71-75	Cash single	€16.90	€15.00	-11.2%
Adult	76-80	Cash single	€17.50	€15.00	-14.3%
Adult	81-85	Cash single	€18.10	€16.00	-11.6%
Adult	86-90	Cash single	€19.00	€16.00	-15.8%
Adult	91-95	Cash single	€19.50	€17.00	-12.8%
Adult	96-100	Cash single	€19.70	€17.00	-13.7%
Adult	101-110	Cash single	€20.80	€19.00	-8.7%
Adult	111-120	Cash single	€21.30	€19.00	-10.8%
Adult	121-140	Cash single	€22.60	€20.00	-11.5%
Adult	141-150	Cash single	€23.10	€20.00	-13.4%
Adult	150	Cash single	€23.50	€21.00	-10.6%

STAGE CARRIAGE - STUDENT LEAP FARES					
Passenger type	Fare stage	Fare type (Single, Return, etc.)	Current Fare	Approved Fare	Approved % adjustment
Student	0-2	Leap single	€1.68	€1.61	-4.2%
Student	2-4	Leap single	€1.68	€1.61	-4.2%
Student	5-6	Leap single	€1.76	€1.61	-8.5%
Student	7-8	Leap single	€2.00	€1.89	-5.5%
Student	9-10	Leap single	€2.64	€1.89	-28.4%
Student	11-12	Leap single	€2.96	€2.24	-24.3%
Student	13-14	Leap single	€3.04	€2.38	-21.7%
Student	15-16	Leap single	€3.28	€2.59	-21.0%
Student	17-18	Leap single	€3.60	€2.80	-22.2%
Student	19-20	Leap single	€3.92	€3.01	-23.2%
Student	21-22	Leap single	€4.32	€3.36	-22.2%
Student	23-24	Leap single	€4.64	€3.64	-21.6%
Student	25-26	Leap single	€5.28	€4.06	-23.1%
Student	27-30	Leap single	€5.44	€4.27	-21.5%
Student	31-32	Leap single	€5.76	€4.76	-17.4%
Student	33-36	Leap single	€6.00	€5.25	-12.5%
Student	37-38	Leap single	€6.40	€5.60	-12.5%
Student	39-42	Leap single	€6.72	€5.95	-11.5%
Student	43-46	Leap single	€8.00	€6.65	-16.9%
Student	47-50	Leap single	€8.32	€7.00	-15.9%
Student	51-60	Leap single	€8.96	€7.00	-21.9%
Student	61-64	Leap single	€9.36	€7.70	-17.7%
Student	65 -70	Leap single	€10.16	€7.70	-24.2%
Student	71-75	Leap single	€10.72	€8.40	-21.6%
Student	76-80	Leap single	€10.96	€8.40	-23.4%
Student	81-85	Leap single	€11.36	€8.75	-23.0%
Student	86-90	Leap single	€11.92	€8.75	-26.6%
Student	91-95	Leap single	€12.64	€9.45	-25.2%
Student	96-100	Leap single	€12.80	€9.45	-26.2%
Student	101-110	Leap single	€13.60	€10.50	-22.8%
Student	111-120	Leap single	€14.00	€10.50	-25.0%
Student	121-140	Leap single	€14.40	€11.20	-22.2%
Student	141-150	Leap single	€14.80	€11.20	-24.3%
Student	150	Leap single	€15.20	€11.55	-24.0%

STAGE CARRIAGE - STUDENT- CASH SINGLE FARES					
Passenger type	Fare stage	Fare type (Single, Return, etc.)	Current Fare	Approved Fare	Approved % adjustment
Student	0-2	Cash single	-	-	-
Student	2-4	Cash single	-	-	-
Student	5-6	Cash single	-	-	-
Student	7-8	Cash single	-	-	-
Student	9-10	Cash single	New fare	€2.70	-
Student	11-12	Cash single	€3.70	€3.20	-13.5%
Student	13-14	Cash single	€3.80	€3.40	-10.5%
Student	15-16	Cash single	€4.10	€3.70	-9.8%
Student	17-18	Cash single	€4.50	€4.00	-11.1%
Student	19-20	Cash single	€4.90	€4.30	-12.2%
Student	21-22	Cash single	€5.40	€4.80	-11.1%
Student	23-24	Cash single	€5.80	€5.20	-10.3%
Student	25-26	Cash single	€6.60	€5.80	-12.1%
Student	27-30	Cash single	€6.80	€6.10	-10.3%
Student	31-32	Cash single	€7.20	€6.80	-5.6%
Student	33-36	Cash single	€7.50	€7.50	0.0%
Student	37-38	Cash single	€8.00	€8.00	0.0%
Student	39-42	Cash single	€8.40	€8.50	1.2%
Student	43-46	Cash single	€10.00	€9.50	-5.0%
Student	47-50	Cash single	€10.40	€10.00	-3.8%
Student	51-60	Cash single	€11.20	€10.00	-10.7%
Student	61-64	Cash single	€11.70	€11.00	-6.0%
Student	65 -70	Cash single	€12.70	€11.00	-13.4%
Student	71-75	Cash single	€13.40	€12.00	-10.4%
Student	76-80	Cash single	€13.70	€12.00	-12.4%
Student	81-85	Cash single	€14.20	€12.50	-12.0%
Student	86-90	Cash single	€14.90	€12.50	-16.1%
Student	91-95	Cash single	€15.80	€13.50	-14.6%
Student	96-100	Cash single	€16.00	€13.50	-15.6%
Student	101-110	Cash single	€17.00	€15.00	-11.8%
Student	111-120	Cash single	€17.50	€15.00	-14.3%
Student	121-140	Cash single	€18.00	€16.00	-11.1%
Student	141-150	Cash single	€18.50	€16.00	-13.5%
Student	150	Cash single	€19.00	€16.50	-13.2%

STAGE CARRIAGE - CHILD LEAP FARES					
Passenger type	Fare stage	Fare type (Single, Return, etc.)	Current Fare	Approved Fare	Approved % adjustment
Child	0-2	Leap Single	€0.96	€0.91	-5.2%
Child	2-4	Leap Single	€0.96	€0.91	-5.2%
Child	5-6	Leap Single	€1.12	€0.91	-18.8%
Child	7-8	Leap Single	€1.28	€1.12	-12.5%
Child	9-10	Leap Single	€1.72	€1.33	-22.7%
Child	11-12	Leap Single	€1.92	€1.61	-16.1%
Child	13-14	Leap Single	€1.92	€1.68	-12.5%
Child	15-16	Leap Single	€2.56	€1.96	-23.4%
Child	17-18	Leap Single	€2.64	€2.10	-20.5%
Child	19-20	Leap Single	€2.88	€2.31	-19.8%
Child	21-22	Leap Single	€3.12	€2.45	-21.5%
Child	23-24	Leap Single	€3.44	€2.73	-20.6%
Child	25-26	Leap Single	€3.68	€3.01	-18.2%
Child	27-30	Leap Single	€3.92	€3.22	-17.9%
Child	31-32	Leap Single	€4.16	€3.50	-15.9%
Child	33-36	Leap Single	€4.56	€3.71	-18.6%
Child	37-38	Leap Single	€5.20	€3.99	-23.3%
Child	39-42	Leap Single	€5.52	€4.55	-17.6%
Child	43-46	Leap Single	€6.00	€4.90	-18.3%
Child	47-50	Leap Single	€6.16	€5.25	-14.8%
Child	51-60	Leap Single	€7.20	€5.25	-27.1%
Child	61-64	Leap Single	€7.36	€5.60	-23.9%
Child	65 -70	Leap Single	€7.84	€5.60	-28.6%
Child	71-75	Leap Single	€8.48	€6.30	-25.7%
Child	76-80	Leap Single	€8.72	€6.30	-27.8%
Child	81-85	Leap Single	€9.20	€6.65	-27.7%
Child	86-90	Leap Single	€9.76	€6.65	-31.9%
Child	91-95	Leap Single	€10.00	€7.00	-30.0%
Child	96-100	Leap Single	€10.24	€7.00	-31.6%
Child	101-110	Leap Single	€10.80	€7.70	-28.7%
Child	111-120	Leap Single	€10.96	€7.70	-29.7%
Child	121-140	Leap Single	€11.20	€8.40	-25.0%
Child	141-150	Leap Single	€11.76	€8.40	-28.6%
Child	150	Leap Single	€12.00	€8.75	-27.1%

STAGE CARRIAGE - CHILD - CASH SINGLE FARES					
Passenger type	Fare stage	Fare type (Single, Return, etc.)	Current Fare	Approved Fare	Approved % adjustment
Child	0-2	Cash Single	€1.20	€1.30	8.3%
Child	2-4	Cash Single	€1.20	€1.30	8.3%
Child	5-6	Cash Single	€1.40	€1.30	-7.1%
Child	7-8	Cash Single	€1.60	€1.60	0.0%
Child	9-10	Cash Single	€2.15	€1.90	-11.6%
Child	11-12	Cash Single	€2.40	€2.30	-4.2%
Child	13-14	Cash Single	€2.40	€2.40	0.0%
Child	15-16	Cash Single	€3.20	€2.80	-12.5%
Child	17-18	Cash Single	€3.30	€3.00	-9.1%
Child	19-20	Cash Single	€3.60	€3.30	-8.3%
Child	21-22	Cash Single	€3.90	€3.50	-10.3%
Child	23-24	Cash Single	€4.30	€3.90	-9.3%
Child	25-26	Cash Single	€4.60	€4.30	-6.5%
Child	27-30	Cash Single	€4.90	€4.60	-6.1%
Child	31-32	Cash Single	€5.20	€5.00	-3.8%
Child	33-36	Cash Single	€5.70	€5.30	-7.0%
Child	37-38	Cash Single	€6.50	€5.70	-12.3%
Child	39-42	Cash Single	€6.90	€6.50	-5.8%
Child	43-46	Cash Single	€7.50	€7.00	-6.7%
Child	47-50	Cash Single	€7.70	€7.50	-2.6%
Child	51-60	Cash Single	€9.00	€7.50	-16.7%
Child	61-64	Cash Single	€9.20	€8.00	-13.0%
Child	65 -70	Cash Single	€9.80	€8.00	-18.4%
Child	71-75	Cash Single	€10.60	€9.00	-15.1%
Child	76-80	Cash Single	€10.90	€9.00	-17.4%
Child	81-85	Cash Single	€11.50	€9.50	-17.4%
Child	86-90	Cash Single	€12.20	€9.50	-22.1%
Child	91-95	Cash Single	€12.50	€10.00	-20.0%
Child	96-100	Cash Single	€12.80	€10.00	-21.9%
Child	101-110	Cash Single	€13.50	€11.00	-18.5%
Child	111-120	Cash Single	€13.70	€11.00	-19.7%
Child	121-140	Cash Single	€14.00	€12.00	-14.3%
Child	141-150	Cash Single	€14.70	€12.00	-18.4%
Child	150	Cash Single	€15.00	€12.50	-16.7%

STAGE CARRIAGE - ADULT - DAY RETURN - CASH FARES					
Passenger type	Fare stage	Fare type (Single, Return, etc.)	Current Fare	Approved Fare	Approved % adjustment
Adult	0-2	Day Return	€4.00	€4.20	5.0%
Adult	2-4	Day Return	€4.00	€4.20	5.0%
Adult	5-6	Day Return	€4.20	€4.20	0.0%
Adult	7-8	Day Return	€4.80	€4.80	0.0%
Adult	9-10	Day Return	€6.20	€6.00	-3.2%
Adult	11-12	Day Return	€7.80	€7.20	-7.7%
Adult	13-14	Day Return	€8.00	€7.50	-6.3%
Adult	15-16	Day Return	€8.30	€7.90	-4.8%
Adult	17-18	Day Return	€8.50	€8.20	-3.5%
Adult	19-20	Day Return	€8.70	€9.00	3.4%
Adult	21-22	Day Return	€9.20	€9.50	3.3%
Adult	23-24	Day Return	€10.20	€10.50	2.9%
Adult	25-26	Day Return	€11.00	€11.30	2.7%
Adult	27-30	Day Return	€11.30	€11.70	3.5%
Adult	31-32	Day Return	€13.00	€13.50	3.8%
Adult	33-36	Day Return	€14.00	€14.50	3.6%
Adult	37-38	Day Return	€15.20	€15.50	2.0%
Adult	39-42	Day Return	€16.50	€17.20	4.2%
Adult	43-46	Day Return	€17.70	€18.50	4.5%
Adult	47-50	Day Return	€18.80	€19.50	3.7%
Adult	51-60	Day Return	€19.40	€19.50	0.5%
Adult	61-64	Day Return	€20.80	€21.50	3.4%
Adult	65 -70	Day Return	€22.50	€21.50	-4.4%
Adult	71-75	Day Return	€24.50	€25.00	2.0%
Adult	76-80	Day Return	€25.00	€25.00	0.0%
Adult	81-85	Day Return	€25.50	€27.00	5.9%
Adult	86-90	Day Return	€26.00	€27.00	3.8%
Adult	91-95	Day Return	€27.50	€29.00	5.5%
Adult	96-100	Day Return	€29.00	€29.00	0.0%
Adult	101-110	Day Return	€30.00	€31.50	5.0%
Adult	111-120	Day Return	€30.50	€31.50	3.3%
Adult	121-140	Day Return	€32.00	€33.50	4.7%
Adult	141-150	Day Return	€33.50	€33.50	0.0%
Adult	150	Day Return	€34.00	€36.00	5.9%

STAGE CARRIAGE - ADULT - ORDINARY RETURN - CASH					
Passenger type	Fare stage	Fare type (Single, Return, etc.)	Current Fare	Approved Fare	Approved % adjustment
Adult	0-2	Ordinary return	-	-	-
Adult	2-4	Ordinary return	-	-	-
Adult	5-6	Ordinary return	-	-	-
Adult	7-8	Ordinary return	-	-	-
Adult	9-10	Ordinary return	New fare	€6.20	-
Adult	11-12	Ordinary return	€7.90	€7.40	-6.3%
Adult	13-14	Ordinary return	€8.00	€7.70	-3.8%
Adult	15-16	Ordinary return	€8.30	€8.50	2.4%
Adult	17-18	Ordinary return	€9.30	€8.80	-5.4%
Adult	19-20	Ordinary return	€9.80	€10.00	2.0%
Adult	21-22	Ordinary return	€10.50	€11.00	4.8%
Adult	23-24	Ordinary return	€11.70	€12.00	2.6%
Adult	25-26	Ordinary return	€12.50	€13.00	4.0%
Adult	27-30	Ordinary return	€13.30	€13.50	1.5%
Adult	31-32	Ordinary return	€14.30	€15.00	4.9%
Adult	33-36	Ordinary return	€15.80	€16.50	4.4%
Adult	37-38	Ordinary return	€16.90	€17.50	3.6%
Adult	39-42	Ordinary return	€18.80	€19.50	3.7%
Adult	43-46	Ordinary return	€20.00	€21.00	5.0%
Adult	47-50	Ordinary return	€21.30	€22.00	3.3%
Adult	51-60	Ordinary return	€22.40	€22.00	-1.8%
Adult	61-64	Ordinary return	€24.00	€25.00	4.2%
Adult	65 -70	Ordinary return	€25.00	€25.00	0.0%
Adult	71-75	Ordinary return	€26.70	€28.00	4.9%
Adult	76-80	Ordinary return	€27.70	€28.00	1.1%
Adult	81-85	Ordinary return	€29.20	€30.00	2.7%
Adult	86-90	Ordinary return	€30.00	€30.00	0.0%
Adult	91-95	Ordinary return	€32.50	€32.00	-1.5%
Adult	96-100	Ordinary return	€34.00	€32.00	-5.9%
Adult	101-110	Ordinary return	€35.50	€35.00	-1.4%
Adult	111-120	Ordinary return	€36.50	€35.00	-4.1%
Adult	121-140	Ordinary return	€37.00	€36.00	-2.7%
Adult	141-150	Ordinary return	€37.50	€36.00	-4.0%
Adult	150	Ordinary return	€38.50	€38.00	-1.3%

STAGE CARRIAGE - CHILD - CASH DAY RETURN					
Passenger type	Fare stage	Fare type (Single, Return, etc.)	Current Fare	Approved Fare	Approved % adjustment
Child	0-2	Day Return	€2.30	€2.30	0.0%
Child	2-4	Day Return	€2.30	€2.30	0.0%
Child	5-6	Day Return	€2.60	€2.30	-11.5%
Child	7-8	Day Return	€3.10	€2.70	-12.9%
Child	9-10	Day Return	€3.90	€3.30	-15.4%
Child	11-12	Day Return	€4.50	€4.20	-6.7%
Child	13-14	Day Return	€4.50	€4.40	-2.2%
Child	15-16	Day Return	€5.00	€4.70	-6.0%
Child	17-18	Day Return	€5.00	€4.90	-2.0%
Child	19-20	Day Return	€5.20	€5.10	-1.9%
Child	21-22	Day Return	€5.20	€5.30	1.9%
Child	23-24	Day Return	€5.70	€5.90	3.5%
Child	25-26	Day Return	€6.60	€6.50	-1.5%
Child	27-30	Day Return	€6.80	€6.90	1.5%
Child	31-32	Day Return	€7.60	€7.50	-1.3%
Child	33-36	Day Return	€7.80	€8.00	2.6%
Child	37-38	Day Return	€8.30	€8.60	3.6%
Child	39-42	Day Return	€9.90	€9.90	0.0%
Child	43-46	Day Return	€10.10	€10.50	4.0%
Child	47-50	Day Return	€11.00	€11.30	2.7%
Child	51-60	Day Return	€11.60	€11.30	-2.6%
Child	61-64	Day Return	€12.50	€12.50	0.0%
Child	65 -70	Day Return	€13.50	€12.50	-7.4%
Child	71-75	Day Return	€14.30	€14.00	-2.1%
Child	76-80	Day Return	€15.30	€14.00	-8.5%
Child	81-85	Day Return	€15.60	€15.50	-0.6%
Child	86-90	Day Return	€15.80	€15.50	-1.9%
Child	91-95	Day Return	€16.80	€16.50	-1.8%
Child	96-100	Day Return	€17.50	€16.50	-5.7%
Child	101-110	Day Return	€18.40	€17.50	-4.9%
Child	111-120	Day Return	€18.70	€17.50	-6.4%
Child	121-140	Day Return	€18.70	€18.50	-1.1%
Child	141-150	Day Return	€19.20	€18.50	-3.6%
Child	150	Day Return	€20.00	€20.00	0.0%

STAGE CARRIAGE - CHILD - ORDINARY RETURN - CASH					
Passenger type	Fare stage	Fare type (Single, Return, etc.)	Current Fare	Approved Fare	Approved % adjustment
Child	0-2	Ordinary Return	-	-	-
Child	2-4	Ordinary Return	-	-	-
Child	5-6	Ordinary Return	-	-	-
Child	7-8	Ordinary Return	-	-	-
Child	9-10	Ordinary Return	New fare	€3.40	-
Child	11-12	Ordinary Return	€4.60	€4.30	-6.5%
Child	13-14	Ordinary Return	€4.60	€4.50	-2.2%
Child	15-16	Ordinary Return	€5.00	€5.00	0.0%
Child	17-18	Ordinary Return	€5.50	€5.20	-5.5%
Child	19-20	Ordinary Return	€5.80	€5.50	-5.2%
Child	21-22	Ordinary Return	€6.50	€6.00	-7.7%
Child	23-24	Ordinary Return	€7.00	€6.40	-8.6%
Child	25-26	Ordinary Return	€7.50	€7.00	-6.7%
Child	27-30	Ordinary Return	€7.70	€7.50	-2.6%
Child	31-32	Ordinary Return	€8.40	€8.40	0.0%
Child	33-36	Ordinary Return	€9.50	€9.50	0.0%
Child	37-38	Ordinary Return	€10.20	€10.20	0.0%
Child	39-42	Ordinary Return	€11.40	€11.20	-1.8%
Child	43-46	Ordinary Return	€12.20	€12.00	-1.6%
Child	47-50	Ordinary Return	€13.00	€13.00	0.0%
Child	51-60	Ordinary Return	€13.50	€13.00	-3.7%
Child	61-64	Ordinary Return	€14.50	€14.50	0.0%
Child	65 -70	Ordinary Return	€15.00	€14.50	-3.3%
Child	71-75	Ordinary Return	€16.50	€16.00	-3.0%
Child	76-80	Ordinary Return	€17.20	€16.00	-7.0%
Child	81-85	Ordinary Return	€17.80	€17.50	-1.7%
Child	86-90	Ordinary Return	€18.50	€17.50	-5.4%
Child	91-95	Ordinary Return	€19.50	€19.00	-2.6%
Child	96-100	Ordinary Return	€20.50	€19.00	-7.3%
Child	101-110	Ordinary Return	€21.20	€20.00	-5.7%
Child	111-120	Ordinary Return	€21.50	€20.00	-7.0%
Child	121-140	Ordinary Return	€22.00	€21.00	-4.5%
Child	141-150	Ordinary Return	€22.20	€21.00	-5.4%
Child	150	Ordinary Return	€23.00	€22.50	-2.2%

STAGE CARRIAGE -STUDENT - RETURN FARES					
Passenger type	Fare stage	Fare type (Single, Return, etc.)	Current Fare	Approved Fare	Approved % adjustment
Student	0-2	Return	-	-	-
Student	2-4	Return	-	-	-
Student	5-6	Return	-	-	-
Student	7-8	Return	-	-	-
Student	9-10	Return	New fare	€4.90	-
Student	11-12	Return	€6.70	€6.00	-10.4%
Student	13-14	Return	€6.70	€6.30	-6.0%
Student	15-16	Return	€7.00	€6.80	-2.9%
Student	17-18	Return	€7.40	€7.00	-5.4%
Student	19-20	Return	€7.70	€7.50	-2.6%
Student	21-22	Return	€8.20	€8.30	1.2%
Student	23-24	Return	€9.00	€9.00	0.0%
Student	25-26	Return	€9.80	€9.90	1.0%
Student	27-30	Return	€10.20	€10.20	0.0%
Student	31-32	Return	€11.10	€11.20	0.9%
Student	33-36	Return	€11.80	€12.00	1.7%
Student	37-38	Return	€12.70	€12.90	1.6%
Student	39-42	Return	€14.20	€14.40	1.4%
Student	43-46	Return	€15.60	€15.50	-0.6%
Student	47-50	Return	€16.30	€16.50	1.2%
Student	51-60	Return	€17.60	€16.50	-6.3%
Student	61-64	Return	€18.50	€19.00	2.7%
Student	65 -70	Return	€19.30	€19.00	-1.6%
Student	71-75	Return	€21.00	€21.00	0.0%
Student	76-80	Return	€21.70	€21.00	-3.2%
Student	81-85	Return	€22.20	€22.50	1.4%
Student	86-90	Return	€23.50	€22.50	-4.3%
Student	91-95	Return	€24.90	€25.00	0.4%
Student	96-100	Return	€25.50	€25.00	-2.0%
Student	101-110	Return	€26.00	€26.50	1.9%
Student	111-120	Return	€27.00	€26.50	-1.9%
Student	121-140	Return	€28.00	€28.00	0.0%
Student	141-150	Return	€28.00	€28.00	0.0%
Student	150	Return	€30.00	€30.00	0.0%

STAGE CARRIAGE - ADULT 10 JOURNEY					
Passenger type	Fare stage	Fare type (Single, Return, etc.)	Current Fare	Approved Fare	Approved % adjustment
Adult	0-2	10 Journey	€18.00	€18.40	2.2%
Adult	2-4	10 Journey	€18.00	€18.40	2.2%
Adult	5-6	10 Journey	€19.00	€18.40	-3.2%
Adult	7-8	10 Journey	€21.50	€21.20	-1.4%
Adult	9-10	10 Journey	€28.50	€27.00	-5.3%
Adult	11-12	10 Journey	€34.50	€32.50	-5.8%
Adult	13-14	10 Journey	€35.50	€33.50	-5.6%
Adult	15-16	10 Journey	€37.00	€35.50	-4.1%
Adult	17-18	10 Journey	€38.00	€37.00	-2.6%
Adult	19-20	10 Journey	€39.00	€40.00	2.6%
Adult	21-22	10 Journey	€40.50	€42.00	3.7%
Adult	23-24	10 Journey	€45.00	€46.00	2.2%
Adult	25-26	10 Journey	€49.00	€50.00	2.0%
Adult	27-30	10 Journey	€51.00	€51.00	0.0%
Adult	31-32	10 Journey	€58.50	€58.00	-0.9%
Adult	33-36	10 Journey	€62.00	€62.00	0.0%
Adult	37-38	10 Journey	€63.00	€65.00	3.2%
Adult	39-42	10 Journey	€66.00	€68.50	3.8%
Adult	43-46	10 Journey	€66.50	€69.00	3.8%
Adult	47-50	10 Journey	€68.50	€71.00	3.6%
Adult	51-60	10 Journey	€69.00	€71.00	2.9%
Adult	61-64	10 Journey	€70.00	€73.00	4.3%
Adult	65 -70	10 Journey	€71.00	€73.00	2.8%
Adult	71-75	10 Journey	€73.00	€76.00	4.1%
Adult	76-80	10 Journey	€74.50	€76.00	2.0%
Adult	81-85	10 Journey	€76.50	€80.00	4.6%
Adult	86-90	10 Journey	€78.00	€80.00	2.6%
Adult	91-95	10 Journey	€81.50	€85.00	4.3%
Adult	96-100	10 Journey	€85.00	€85.00	0.0%
Adult	101-110	10 Journey	€87.50	€88.00	0.6%
Adult	111-120	10 Journey	€89.00	€88.00	-1.1%
Adult	121-140	10 Journey	€90.50	€93.00	2.8%
Adult	141-150	10 Journey	€91.50	€93.00	1.6%

STAGE CARRIAGE Child - 10 Journey					
Passenger type	Fare stage	Fare type (Single, Return, etc.)	Current Fare	Approved Fare	Approved % adjustment
Child	0-2	10 Journey	€10.60	€10.60	0.0%
Child	2-4	10 Journey	€10.80	€10.60	-1.9%
Child	5-6	10 Journey	€11.20	€10.60	-5.4%
Child	7-8	10 Journey	€12.20	€12.20	0.0%
Child	9-10	10 Journey	€16.50	€15.50	-6.1%
Child	11-12	10 Journey	€19.70	€18.50	-6.1%
Child	13-14	10 Journey	€20.80	€19.00	-8.7%
Child	15-16	10 Journey	€22.00	€20.00	-9.1%
Child	17-18	10 Journey	€22.40	€21.00	-6.2%
Child	19-20	10 Journey	€22.70	€22.50	-0.9%
Child	21-22	10 Journey	€23.30	€23.00	-1.3%
Child	23-24	10 Journey	€25.50	€25.50	0.0%
Child	25-26	10 Journey	€27.00	€27.00	0.0%
Child	27-30	10 Journey	€29.00	€28.00	-3.4%
Child	31-32	10 Journey	€30.00	€30.00	0.0%
Child	33-36	10 Journey	€30.50	€31.00	1.6%
Child	37-38	10 Journey	€31.00	€32.00	3.2%
Child	39-42	10 Journey	€32.00	€33.00	3.1%
Child	43-46	10 Journey	€34.50	€34.50	0.0%
Child	47-50	10 Journey	€34.50	€35.00	1.4%
Child	51-60	10 Journey	€34.50	€35.00	1.4%
Child	61-64	10 Journey	€37.00	€37.00	0.0%
Child	65 -70	10 Journey	€40.00	€37.00	-7.5%
Child	71-75	10 Journey	€40.20	€40.00	-0.5%
Child	76-80	10 Journey	€40.80	€40.00	-2.0%

STAGE CARRIAGE STUDENT- 10 Journey					
Passenger type	Fare stage	Fare type (Single, Return, etc.)	Current Fare	Approved Fare	Approved % adjustment
Student	0-2	10 Journey	€14.90	€14.80	-0.7%
Student	2-4	10 Journey	€15.00	€14.80	-1.3%
Student	5-6	10 Journey	€15.50	€14.80	-4.5%
Student	7-8	10 Journey	€17.80	€17.00	-4.5%
Student	9-10	10 Journey	€23.70	€21.50	-9.3%
Student	11-12	10 Journey	€28.80	€26.00	-9.7%
Student	13-14	10 Journey	€29.50	€27.00	-8.5%
Student	15-16	10 Journey	€30.50	€28.00	-8.2%
Student	17-18	10 Journey	€31.50	€29.50	-6.3%
Student	19-20	10 Journey	€32.50	€31.50	-3.1%
Student	21-22	10 Journey	€33.50	€33.00	-1.5%
Student	23-24	10 Journey	€37.00	€36.50	-1.4%
Student	25-26	10 Journey	€39.50	€39.50	0.0%
Student	27-30	10 Journey	€41.50	€41.00	-1.2%
Student	31-32	10 Journey	€47.00	€45.00	-4.3%
Student	33-36	10 Journey	€49.50	€49.00	-1.0%
Student	37-38	10 Journey	€50.50	€50.50	0.0%
Student	39-42	10 Journey	€52.50	€52.50	0.0%
Student	43-46	10 Journey	€54.00	€54.00	0.0%
Student	47-50	10 Journey	€54.50	€55.00	0.9%
Student	51-60	10 Journey	€55.50	€55.00	-0.9%
Student	61-64	10 Journey	€56.00	€56.00	0.0%
Student	65 -70	10 Journey	€57.00	€56.00	-1.8%
Student	71-75	10 Journey	€58.50	€58.50	0.0%
Student	76-80	10 Journey	€60.00	€58.50	-2.5%
Student	81-85	10 Journey	€61.50	€61.50	0.0%
Student	86-90	10 Journey	€62.50	€61.50	-1.6%
Student	91-95	10 Journey	€65.00	€65.50	0.8%
Student	96-100	10 Journey	€68.50	€65.50	-4.4%
Student	101-110	10 Journey	€70.00	€70.00	0.0%
Student	111-120	10 Journey	€71.50	€70.00	-2.1%
Student	121-140	10 Journey	€73.00	€73.00	0.0%
Student	141-150	10 Journey	€73.50	€73.00	-0.7%

STAGE CARRIAGE ADULT - Monthly					
Passenger type	Fare stage	Fare type (Single, Return, etc.)	Current Fare	Approved Fare	Approved % adjustment
Adult	0-2	Monthly	€68.40	69.00	0.9%
Adult	2-4	Monthly	€68.40	69.00	0.9%
Adult	5-6	Monthly	€72.20	69.00	-4.4%
Adult	7-8	Monthly	€81.70	79.50	-2.7%
Adult	9-10	Monthly	€108.30	101.25	-6.5%
Adult	11-12	Monthly	€131.10	121.88	-7.0%
Adult	13-14	Monthly	€134.90	125.63	-6.9%
Adult	15-16	Monthly	€140.60	133.13	-5.3%
Adult	17-18	Monthly	€144.40	138.75	-3.9%
Adult	19-20	Monthly	€148.20	150.00	1.2%
Adult	21-22	Monthly	€153.90	157.50	2.3%
Adult	23-24	Monthly	€171.00	172.50	0.9%
Adult	25-26	Monthly	€186.20	187.50	0.7%
Adult	27-30	Monthly	€193.80	191.25	-1.3%
Adult	31-32	Monthly	€222.30	217.50	-2.2%
Adult	33-36	Monthly	€235.60	232.50	-1.3%
Adult	37-38	Monthly	€239.40	243.75	1.8%
Adult	39-42	Monthly	€250.80	256.88	2.4%
Adult	43-46	Monthly	€252.70	258.75	2.4%
Adult	47-50	Monthly	€260.30	266.25	2.3%
Adult	51-60	Monthly	€262.20	266.25	1.5%
Adult	61-64	Monthly	€266.00	273.75	2.9%
Adult	65 -70	Monthly	€269.80	273.75	1.5%
Adult	71-75	Monthly	€277.40	285.00	2.7%
Adult	76-80	Monthly	€283.10	285.00	0.7%
Adult	81-85	Monthly	€290.70	300.00	3.2%
Adult	86-90	Monthly	€296.40	300.00	1.2%
Adult	91-95	Monthly	€309.70	318.75	2.9%
Adult	96-100	Monthly	€323.00	318.75	-1.3%
Adult	101-110	Monthly	€332.50	330.00	-0.8%
Adult	111-120	Monthly	€338.20	330.00	-2.4%
Adult	121-140	Monthly	€343.90	348.75	1.4%
Adult	141-150	Monthly	€347.70	348.75	0.3%

STAGE CARRIAGE ADULT - Annual					
Passenger type	Fare stage	Fare type (Single, Return, etc.)	Current Fare	Approved Fare	Approved % adjustment
Adult	0-2	Annual	€738.00	€717.60	-2.8%
Adult	2-4	Annual	€738.00	€717.60	-2.8%
Adult	5-6	Annual	€779.00	€717.60	-7.9%
Adult	7-8	Annual	€881.50	€826.80	-6.2%
Adult	9-10	Annual	€1,168.50	€1,053.00	-9.9%
Adult	11-12	Annual	€1,414.50	€1,267.50	-10.4%
Adult	13-14	Annual	€1,455.50	€1,306.50	-10.2%
Adult	15-16	Annual	€1,517.00	€1,384.50	-8.7%
Adult	17-18	Annual	€1,558.00	€1,443.00	-7.4%
Adult	19-20	Annual	€1,599.00	€1,560.00	-2.4%
Adult	21-22	Annual	€1,660.50	€1,638.00	-1.4%
Adult	23-24	Annual	€1,845.00	€1,794.00	-2.8%
Adult	25-26	Annual	€2,009.00	€1,950.00	-2.9%
Adult	27-30	Annual	€2,091.00	€1,989.00	-4.9%
Adult	31-32	Annual	€2,398.50	€2,262.00	-5.7%
Adult	33-36	Annual	€2,542.00	€2,418.00	-4.9%
Adult	37-38	Annual	€2,583.00	€2,535.00	-1.9%
Adult	39-42	Annual	€2,706.00	€2,671.50	-1.3%
Adult	43-46	Annual	€2,726.50	€2,691.00	-1.3%
Adult	47-50	Annual	€2,808.50	€2,769.00	-1.4%
Adult	51-60	Annual	€2,829.00	€2,769.00	-2.1%
Adult	61-64	Annual	€2,870.00	€2,847.00	-0.8%
Adult	65 -70	Annual	€2,911.00	€2,847.00	-2.2%
Adult	71-75	Annual	€2,993.00	€2,964.00	-1.0%
Adult	76-80	Annual	€3,054.50	€2,964.00	-3.0%
Adult	81-85	Annual	€3,136.50	€3,120.00	-0.5%
Adult	86-90	Annual	€3,198.00	€3,120.00	-2.4%
Adult	91-95	Annual	€3,341.50	€3,315.00	-0.8%
Adult	96-100	Annual	€3,485.00	€3,315.00	-4.9%
Adult	101-110	Annual	€3,587.50	€3,432.00	-4.3%
Adult	111-120	Annual	€3,649.00	€3,432.00	-5.9%
Adult	121-140	Annual	€3,710.50	€3,627.00	-2.3%
Adult	141-150	Annual	€3,751.50	€3,627.00	-3.3%

Town services

Town Service Leap Fares					
Town Service	Passenger type	Fare type	Current Leap Fare	Approved Leap Fare	Approved % adjustment
Athlone	Adult	Leap Single	New fare	€1.33	
Athlone	Child	Leap Single	New fare	€0.77	
Balbriggan	Adult	Leap Single	€1.31	€1.33	1.5%
Balbriggan	Child	Leap Single	€0.77	€0.77	0.0%
Drogheda	Adult	Leap Single	€1.31	€1.33	1.5%
Drogheda	Child	Leap Single	€0.77	€0.77	0.0%
Dundalk	Adult	Leap Single	€1.31	€1.33	1.5%
Dundalk	Child	Leap Single	€0.77	€0.77	0.0%
Navan	Adult	Leap Single	€1.31	€1.33	1.5%
Navan	Child	Leap Single	€0.77	€0.77	0.0%
Sligo	Adult	Leap Single	New fare	€1.33	
Sligo	Child	Leap Single	New fare	€0.77	

Town Service Cash Fares					
Town Service	Passenger type	Fare type	Current cash Fare	Approved cash Fare	Approved % adjustment
Athlone	Adult	Cash single	€1.70	€1.90	11.8%
Athlone	Child	Cash single	€1.00	€1.10	10.0%
Balbriggan	Adult	Cash single	€1.80	€1.90	5.6%
Balbriggan	Child	Cash single	€1.05	€1.10	4.8%
Drogheda	Adult	Cash single	€1.80	€1.90	5.6%
Drogheda	Child	Cash single	€1.05	€1.10	4.8%
Dundalk	Adult	Cash single	€1.80	€1.90	5.6%
Dundalk	Child	Cash single	€1.05	€1.10	4.8%
Navan	Adult	Cash single	€1.80	€1.90	5.6%
Navan	Child	Cash single	€1.05	€1.10	4.8%
Sligo	Adult	Cash single	€1.70	€1.90	11.8%
Sligo	Child	Cash single	€1.00	€1.10	10.0%

Integrated Bus Éireann Iarnród Éireann tickets			Current fares	Approved Fares	Approved % adjustment
<u>Dublin/Kilcock</u>	IÉ SHZ	BÉ Red Zone	€1,861.00	€1,800.00	-3.3%
<u>Dublin/Enfield</u>	IÉ Zone D	BÉ Blue Zone	€2,650.00	€2,690.00	1.5%
<u>Dublin/Mullingar</u>	IÉ Zone G	BÉ Yellow Zone	€3,674.00	€3,720.00	1.3%

Multi Operator tickets - Cork area					
Bus Éireann / Iarnród Éireann Cork commuter tickets			Current	Approved Fares	Approved % adjustment
Cork- Midleton/Cobh rail + BÉ Cork city & suburban bus services	Monthly - Adult		€138.00	€143.00	3.6%
Cork- Midleton/Cobh rail + BÉ Cork city & suburban bus services	Annual - Adult		€1,380.00	€1,430.00	3.6%
Cork- Midleton/Cobh rail + BÉ Cork city & suburban bus services	Monthly - Student		€109.00	€109.00	0.0%

Multi Operator tickets - Nationwide			
Ticket Type	Current	Approved Fares	Approved % adjustment
Iarnród Éireann & Bus Éireann - All services	€5,430.00	€5,430.00	0.0%
Iarnród Éireann + Dublin Bus + Bus Éireann - All Services	€6,400.00	€6,400.00	0.0%