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NEWS IN BRIEF

Big plans

■ ARDSCOIL Mhuire has announced that large-scale plans to redevelop their campus in Corbally have taken a significant step forward. The secondary school, which has an enrolment of just under 600 students, has been approved to go to tender for the appointment of the Design Team. This stage is expected to be completed towards the end of May. Principal Brid Herbert (pictured second from left) said: "This exciting development, which sees the construction of a brand new multi-million euro school on the current campus, will ensure that we remain at the heart of our community, continuing to provide the best education possible to our students for decades to come."

Adapt funding

■ ADAPT domestic abuse services has been granted €80,000 as part of a funding package announced this week by Minister for Justice Helen McEntee TD. Funding totalling €4.6m has been allocated to more than 60 organisations to support victims of crime. Funding will provide support, information and advice on the rights of victims, as well as counselling services, court accompaniment and other accompaniment. Training and awareness raising of domestic, sexual and gender-based violence is also funded.

Phone scam

■ A 65-year-old woman in Askeaton was the victim of a scam after a phone call from a male purporting to be from her broadband technical department. The caller outlined that there had been a problem with broadband in the area and the company were willing to reimburse her. The lady was asked to provide bank account details and follow steps to download an app which gave the caller remote access to her phone and online banking. "The lady knew nothing until she was contacted by her financial institution and informed that an attempt was made to withdraw €240 from her account," Sgt Ber Leetch of Henry Street gardaí explained.

Condell Road

■ SINN Féin councillor Sharon Benson has asked the Council for a timeline for an active travel needs assessment of the Condell Road, which is currently being tendered. She also asked when a footpath from the new housing development at Meiner to the Clonmacken roundabout will be installed. She was informed by Director of Service, Brian Kennedy that the needs assessment and options report that will be provided by the successful tenderer will require approval by the National Transport Authority (NTA) before funding is allocated to it. "It is not possible to give a date for construction at this stage," he explained.

SOCIETY

Limerick volunteer groups help distressed refugee lost in city

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A DEEPLY distressed man who fled the war in Ukraine only to become lost in Limerick City was helped by members of two local voluntary groups.

The man, aged in his 50s, was found last week by the river by members of the Limerick Treaty Suicide Prevention (LTSP) group. He was injured and in a distressed state, with no English, no money and a broken phone.

"He was very frightened. He had no idea where he was," Josephine Corbett of LTSP told the Limerick Post.

"We put out an appeal on our social media for someone who might be able to interpret and we got a massive response," she said.

Eventually, Calvin Prendergast, chairman of the voluntary Limerick Land Search Team, joined the patrol members at the river and was able to speak to the man in Serbian.

"We found out he had escaped Kyiv and was trying to make his way to Cork where he had relations. He got on a train, but didn't understand that he had to switch trains, and ended up in Limerick," said Josephine.

Josephine and Calvin decided that the best course to help the lost man was to drive him to an address he knew in Dublin where they believed friends or family were staying.

Once they had established what language he spoke, they were able to use a phone translation app to communicate.

"We drove him straight to the address in Tallaght and when he knocked on the door, it was immediately obvious that the people there knew him. He just melted in relief. He couldn't thank us enough," said Josephine.

As a result of the encounter, the patrol team now have a list of contacts for translators who speak many languages, should they need them in the future.

But what LTSP needs most right now is a base to work from. They have joined forces with Limerick Land Search Team and Haven Hub with all three willing to share one base if they can get one.

Currently the patrol members are working out of the back of a van and carrying their equipment in their own cars.

"This just highlights another reason that we need a base. We dressed that man's injuries and spent two hours with him at the side of the river. If we had somewhere to go we could at least have brought him in to sit down and have a cup of tea while we tried to get him sorted," said Josephine.

UKRAINE

Limerick artist to sell painting for Red Cross

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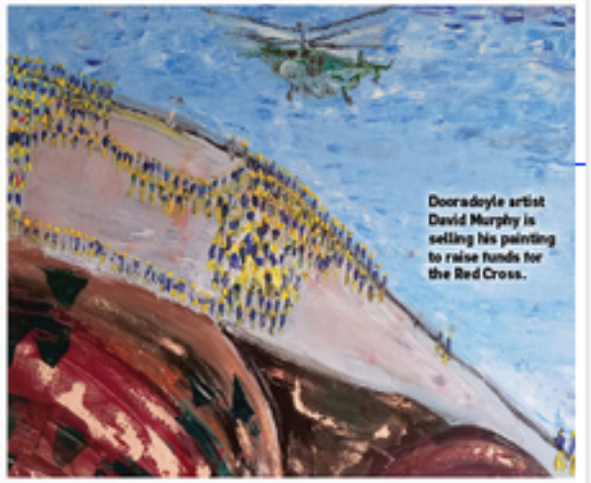

Dooradoyle artist David Murphy is selling his painting to raise funds for the Red Cross.

THE oil on canvas painting depicts vivid representations of Ukrainian people, dressed in their national colours. But overhead is darkness in the shape of Russian helicopters intent on raining destruction on the scene below.

The painting is the work of Dooradoyle artist, David Murphy who is planning to sell it to raise funds for the Ukrainian Red Cross appeal.

David created the 18 by 48 work in response to a call out out from members of the Irish Artists Facebook page to donate pieces of art to raise funds to support the Ukrainian people.

The group's appeal for artwork met with a big response and so far, more than 100 works have been donated.

Describing the painting, David told the Limerick Post: "The people in it are terrified – they're running and they don't know where to go, while the Russian helicopter is there to kill them."

It took David four days of intense work to complete the painting.

An amateur artist, David says this work is not in his usual style but the horror and gravity of the situation shaped it.

"This is a very serious situation, certainly for the people of Ukrainian but this could turn into World War Three and then we are all in it.

"I'm hoping that people will be moved to donate to the Red Cross even if they are not going to buy a painting," said David.

He has not put any particular price on the work, but hopes that offers will be generous. "People can make the cheque out to the Red Cross. I don't want a penny from this," he said.

Anyone interested in purchasing the painting can contact David at dave.a.murphy@gmail.com

HELP FOR UKRAINE

Hairbrushes and a helping hand for refugees

WHO would say of us be without a hairbrush? It's something so basic, yet for many of the Ukrainian refugees who have arrived in Limerick, it's something they don't have.

A new shop providing free clothes, toiletries, toys and importantly, information and a friendly face, is open for business in the city to assist newly-arrived Ukrainians.

Help for Ukraine organiser Anna Mazaika and a team of five volunteers have set up the facility in a room made available at the Sacred Heart church at the Crescent.

"We need hairbrushes – we go through dozens of them – and toiletries. Razors, shaving foam and women's hygiene products," Anna told the Limerick Post.

What the shop does not need right now are clothes, as they have already had a generous outpouring from the people of Limerick and have run out of places to put them.

"Another thing that is very helpful is when people donate vouchers for places like Penneys. The people who call in go through the rails first, but particularly if there is a big family, they can't find clothes for all of them so the vouchers allow them to get what they need."

The shop, which is private to give people a chance to find clothes and basic supplies, also provides local information.

"They have just arrived and need to know where the hospital is, how to get a PPS number, what to do for relatives who are trying to get here but don't have passports. All the information we supply comes from official sources.

"Many of them are glad to have someone to speak to. They've been through a terrible ordeal and they are trying to find their feet," said Anna.

Many of the refugees are "exhausted. And they are very proud. No one abuses what is on offer because they don't want to have to ask for anything, and they feel strange accepting anything but they have left everything behind to get to safety."

The shop is open to callers from 9am to 5pm, Monday to Wednesday, from 9am until noon on Thursday and from 3pm to 5pm on Friday, Saturday and Sunday.

People can just come or make an appointment through the Ukrainian Community in Limerick Facebook Page, which has a lot of information helpful to new arrivals.

Anyone who would like to donate vouchers can do so at the shop or by dropping them to Doras, the migrant support organisation on O'Connell Street.

TRANSPORT (RAILWAY INFRASTRUCTURE) ACT 2001, as amended

Railway works and all works necessary to eliminate and, where necessary, upgrade seven numbered level crossings and carry out all associated and ancillary works along a 24-kilometre section on the Dublin to Cork Railway Line.

In compliance with a request by An Bord Pleanála, Córas Iompair Éireann (CIÉ) hereby advises that, with regard to the inaccessibility of certain documents on the project website, due to a technical issue, it has been requested by the Board to advise an addendum to the original public notice to allow a further time period for the making of submissions/observations in relation to the railway order application.

As stated in the original public notice, the application is accompanied by documents including the following:

a) A draft of the proposed Railway Order entitled the "Dublin to Cork Railway Line (Elimination and Upgrade) of Level Crossings between Limerick Junction and Mallow Order 2021";

b) Plans of the proposed railway works;

c) A book of reference to the plan (indicating the identity of the owners and of the occupiers of the lands described in the plan);

d) A statement of the likely effects on the environment (an "Environmental Impact Assessment Report") of the proposed railway works;

e) A Natura Impact Statement.

Inspection of Draft Railway Order and Accompanying Documents

A copy of the Draft Railway Order and documents accompanying the application may be inspected during normal office and opening hours (with the exception of Charleville Station where the viewings will be made by appointment via the project email address clic@irishrail.ie or by calling 01 703 4451) **from the 11 April 2022 for the duration of 6 weeks until the 23 May 2022 at:**

- **An Bord Pleanála**, 64 Marlborough Street, Dublin, D01 V902
- **Limerick City and County Council**, Dooradoyle Road, Dooradoyle, Limerick, V94 WV78
- **Cork County Council**, County Hall, Carrigrohane Road, Cork, T12 R2NC
- **Iarnród Éireann**, Charleville Station, Railway Road, Charleville, Co. Cork, P56 C654

These documents may also be viewed at www.irishrail.ie/CorkLineLevelCrossings

Purchase of Documents

Copies or extracts from the documents which accompanied the application, including the Environment Impact Assessment Report, the Non-Technical Summary of same and the Natura Impact Statement, may be purchased on payment of a fee not exceeding the reasonable cost of making such copy or extract from:

- **Cork Line Level Crossings Project**, C/O Jacobs, Mahon Industrial Estate, Blackrock, Cork, T12 HY54
- **An Bord Pleanála**, 64 Marlborough Street, Dublin, D01 V902
- **Limerick City and County Council**, Dooradoyle Road, Dooradoyle, Limerick, V94 WV78
- **Cork County Council**, County Hall, Carrigrohane Road, Cork, T12 R2NC

Written Submissions

An Bord Pleanála will consider any submission in relation to the proposed Railway Order or in relation to the likely effects on the environment and the likely significant effects in the area concerned on European Sites, if any, of the proposed railway works which are submitted in writing to it by any person and accompanied by a fee of €50 (This fee is not payable by certain prescribed bodies or by persons whose lands may be acquired under the order or by persons who previously made a submission to the Board in respect of the railway order application). Submissions must be lodged no later than **5.30 p.m. on the 23 May 2022** and must be addressed to An Board Pleanála, 64 Marlborough Street, Dublin 1 and marked **"Dublin to Cork Railway Line (Elimination and Upgrade) of Level Crossings between Limerick Junction and Mallow Order 2021".**

Oral Hearing

An Bord Pleanála may at its absolute discretion hold an oral hearing into the application for a Railway Order.

Judicial Review

A person may question the validity of any such decision by An Board Pleanála may make by way of an application for judicial review in accordance with section 47 and 47A of the Transport (Railway Infrastructure) Act 2001 (as amended and substituted) and under Order 84 of the Rules of the Superior Courts (S.I. No. 15 of 1986 as amended) and practical information on the review mechanism can be accessed under the hearing "Publications – Judicial Review Notice" on the Board's website www.pleanala.ie or on the Citizen's Information website www.citizensinformation.ie.

Dated 28 March 2022

Further information is available from:

Cork Line Level Crossings Project, C/O Jacobs, Mahon Industrial Estate, Blackrock, Cork T12 HY54

E-mail: clic@irishrail.ie

Web: www.irishrail.ie/CorkLineLevelCrossings

AN TACHT IOMPAIR (BONNEAGAR IARNRÓID) 2001, arna leasú

Oibreacha iarnróid agus na hoibreacha ar fad atá riachtanach a dhéanamh, agus, más gá, seacht gcrosaire comhréidhe uimhrithe a uasghrádú agus na hoibreacha gaolmhara agus coimhdeacha ar fad a chur i gcrích feadh stráice 24 ciliméadar de Líne Iarnróid Bhaile Átha Cliath go Corcaigh mar seo a leanas:

I gcomhréir le hiarraidh ón mBord Pleanála, cuireann Córas Iompair Éireann (CIÉ) in iúl leis seo, maidir leis an neamh-inrochtaineacht ar cháipéisí áirithe ar shuíomh gréasáin an tionscadail de bhrí fadhb theicniúil, tá iarrtha ag an mBord aguisín a ghabhann leis an bhfógra bunaidh poiblí a chur in iúl chun tréimhse ama breise a cheadú chun sighneachtaí a dhéanamh/tuairimí a thabhairt maidir leis an iarratas ar an ordú um iarnród.

Mar atá luaite sa bhunfhógra poiblí, tá doiciméid ag gabháil leis an iarratas, lena n-áirítear na cinn seo a leanas:

a) Dréacht den Ordú Iarnróid beartaithe dar teideal "Ordú Líne Iarnróid Bhaile Átha Cliath go Corcaigh (Díchur agus Uasghrádú) Crosairí Comhréidhe Ghabhal Luimnigh agus Mhala 2021";

b) Pleananna maidir leis hoibreacha iarnróid atá beartaithe;

c) Leabhar tagartha don phlean (a shonróidh aitheantas úinéirí agus áititheoirí na dtalte a bhfuil cur síos orthu sa phlean); agus

d) Ráiteas facin éifeachtaí ar an timpeallacht is dócha a bheidh ag na hoibreacha iarnróid atá beartaithe ("Ráiteas Tionchair Comhshaoil").

e) Ráiteas Tionchair Natura.

Iniúchadh ar an Dréacht-Ordú um Iarnród agus na Cáipéisí a Ghabhann Leis

Is féidir iniúchadh a dhéanamh ar chóip den Dréacht-Ordú Iarnróid agus doiciméid tiontacain an iarratais i rith ghnáthuaireanta oifige nó oscailte (seachas Stáisiún na Ráthа, inar féidir iad a theicéáil trí choinne a dhéanamh via seoladh ríomhphoist an tionscadail clic@irishrail.ie nó trí glaoch a chur ar 01 703 4451) **ón 11 Aibreán, 2022 ar feadh tréimhse 6 seachtaine go dtí an 23 Bealtaine, 2022** ag:

- **An Bord Pleanála**, 64 Sráid Mhaoilbhríde, Baile Átha Cliath, D01 V902
- **Comhairle Cathrach agus Contae Luimnigh**, Bóthar Thuar an Daill, Tuar an Daill, Luimneach, V94 WV78
- **Comhairle Contae Chorcaí**, Áras an Chontae, Bóthar Charraig Ruachán, Corcaigh, T12 R2NC
- **Iarnród Éireann**, Stáisiún na Ráthа, Bóthar an Iarnróid, An Ráth, Co. Chorcaí, P56 C654

Tá na doiciméid ar fáil ag www.irishrail.ie/CorkLineLevelCrossings freisin

Doiciméid a Cheannach

Is féidir cóipeanna nó sleachta de na doiciméid a bhí i dteannta leis an iarratas, lena náirítear an Tuairisciúl Measúnaithe Tionchair Timpeallachta, an Achoimre NeamhTheicniúil maidir leis sin agus an Ráiteas Tionchair Natura a cheannach trí thálle a loc nach sárdich costas réasúnach cóip a dhéanamh de na doiciméid nó de shlíocht as na doiciméid:

- **Tionscadal Crosairí Comhréidhe Líne Chorcaí**, F/ch Jacobs, Eastát Tionscail Mhachan, An Dúchamaig, Corcaigh, T12 HY54
- **An Bord Pleanála**, 64 Sráid Mhaoilbhríde, Baile Átha Cliath, D01 V902
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Aighneachtaí i Scríbhinn

Breithneoidh An Bord Pleanála aon sighneachtaí a bhaineann leis an Ordú Iarnróid beartaithe nó a bhaineann leis na héifeachtaí ar an timpeallacht is dócha a bheidh aige agus na héifeachtaí suntasacha sa cheantar lena mbaineann ar Láithreáin Eorpacha, más ann dóibh, a bheidh ag na hoibreacha iarnróid beartaithe, a chuireann aon duine faoina bhráid i scríbhinn a mbeidh táille €50 leis (Níl an táille seo iníoctha ag comhlachtaí forordaithe áirithe nó ag daoine a bhféadfaí a gcuid talte a fháil faoin ordú seo nó daoine a sheol aighneacht roimhe seo chuig an mBord maidir leis an iarratas ar ordú iarnróid). Ní mór aighneachtaí a thaisceadh tráth nach déanaí ná an **23 Bealtaine, 2022 ag 5:30pm** agus ní mór iad a sheoladh chuig: An Bord Pleanála, 64 Sráid Mhaoilbhríde, Baile Átha Cliath 1 agus an méid seo a leanas scríofa ar an sighneacht: **"Ordú Líne Iarnróid Bhaile Átha Cliath go Corcaigh (Díchur agus Uasghrádú) Crosairí Comhréidhe Ghabhal Luimnigh agus Mhala 2021"**

Éisteacht ó Bhéal

Féadfaidh An Bord Pleanála, dá bhroghe féin, éisteacht ó bhéal a réachtáil maidir leis an iarratas ar Ordú Iarnróid.

Athbhreithniú Breithiúnach

Féadfaidh duine baileoidh aon chinnidh den chineál sin de chuid an Bhoird Pleanála a cheistiú ar mhodh iarratais ar athbhreithniú breithiúnach de réir alt 47 agus alt 47A d'Acht Iompair (Bonneagar Iarnróid) 2001 (arna leasú agus arna ionadú) agus faoi Ordú 84 de Rialacha na nUaschúirteanna (I.R. Uimh. 15 de 1986 arna leasú) agus is féidir rochtain a fháil ar an eolas praticiúil maidir leis an meicníocht athbhreithnithe faoin gceanntéideal

'Publications – Judicial Review Notice' ar shuíomh gréasáin an Bhoird www.pleanala.ie nó ar shuíomh gréasáin Faisnéis do Shaoránaigh www.citizensinformation.ie

Dáta 28 Márta 2022

Tá tuilleadh eolais ar fáil ó:

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