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Re: FOI request IE_FOI_253 & 256

Dear

I refer to your request dated 10th May 2019 made under the Freedom of Information Act 2014, which was received on that date, for records held by Iarnród Éireann.

Requests:

IE_FOI_253

- Full copy of the briefing document detailing terms of reference and deliverables for the Western Rail Corridor Extension Financial Economic Appraisal, this document would have been given to consultants EY DKN at the time of their appointment to carry out this project at the beginning of April 2019
- Copy of all correspondence between Irish Rail and consultants EY DKN (emails and correspondence) in the period March 1st 2019 – until todays date of this email May 9th 2019
- Copy of minutes of meetings between DTTAS and Irish Rail at which the Western Rail Corridor Financial and economic appraisal was on the agenda from January 1st 2019 to today's date.

IE_FOI_256

- Any draft versions of the scope of services document exchanged between the DTTAS and Irish Rail over the period October 1st 2018 and todays date
- Any correspondence in relation to the draft document and final document relating to the scope of services for the Western Rail Review Project as internal correspondence within Irish rail, documentation and communication between the DTTAS and Irish Rail in relation to said document
- Any communication and correspondence that may exist between any departmental member or Minister of the department and Deputy Sean Canney in relation to the Western Rail Corridor Review and or the scope of services document
 - \circ All of the above to cover the period October 1st 2018 and todays date

With reference to IE_FOI_253 received 9th May and IE_FOI_256 received today, I understand that based on our initial assessment that both these queries are likely to be largely declined as the records are part of an ongoing deliberative process and that Barry Kenny, Corporate Communications Manager contacted you to discuss this. He states that in the conversation, you agreed to withdraw these requests as a result. I would be grateful if you could confirm this for my records.

Separately, we are continuing to process IE FOI 246 and will provide you with this information at the earliest opportunity.

Should you have any questions or concerns regarding the above, please contact the FOI Officer on 01, 7034293.

Yours sincerely,

Ms. Sue Stanley

Freedom of Information / Data Protection Officer