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22nd December 2020



Email:

Re: FOI request IE_FOI_431



I refer to your requests dated 13th October 2020 made under the Freedom of Information Act 2014, which was received on by my office on the 30th November, for records held by larnród Éireann.

Request:

Copy of all correspondence between IE & their agents, Port of Cork Company and their agents, Cork County Council and Cobh Municipal District from 1997-present day with regard to any aspect of Ownership, Development and/or Maintenance of any part of Cobh's Deepwater Quay including Cobh Cruise Terminal and Five Foot Way adjacent to Cobh Rail Station

Response:

I, Ms. Louise O'Riain, Decision Maker have now made a final decision to part grant your request on 22nd December 2020.

Please find a copy of the requested documents (redacted) enclosed along with a schedule of records detailing any redactions made.

Rights of appeal

In the event that you are not happy with this decision you can make an appeal in relation to this matter, you can do so by writing to the FOI Unit, Corporate Communications, larnród Éireann Irish Rail, Connolly Station, Amiens St, Dublin 1 or by e-mail to foi@irishrail.ie. You should make your appeal within 4 weeks (20 working days) from the date of this notification, where a day is defined as a working day excluding, the weekend and public holidays, however, the making of a late appeal may be permitted in appropriate circumstances.

Cathaoirleach Chairman - P Gaffney(UK), Stiúrthóirí Directors: F Allen, C Griffiths (UK), T McGee(UK), M McGreevy (UK), J Moloney; F O'Mahony, T Wynne; Príomh Fheidhmeannach Chief Executive: D Franks Iarnród Éireann – Irish Rail, cuideachta ghníomhaíochta ainmnithe, faoi theorainn scaireanna, cláraithe in Éirinn ag Stáisiún Uí Chonghaile, Baile Átha Cliath 1, Ur. 119571 Ur. CBL IE 4812851 O

larnród Eireann – Irish Rail, a designated activity company, limited by shares, registered in Ireland at Connolly Station, Dublin 1, No. 119571 VAT No. IE 4812851 O Should you have any questions or concerns regarding the above, please contact the FOI Officer on by email at foi@irishrail.ie

Yours sincerely,

PP

Ms. Louise O'Riain, Decision Maker, Infrastructure Management

Freedom of Information Request: Schedule of Records for IE_FOI_431 : Summary for Decision Making

				Decision:		Record
			No. of	Grant/Part	Section of Act	Edited/Identify
Record No.	Date of Record	Brief Description	Pages	Grant/Refuse	if applicable	Deletions
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1	09.01.15	Email - FW_Cobh Cruise Berth Bollards for Port of Cork_Redacted	1	Part Grant	S37	Others
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						Information of
2	16.10.14	Email - FW_Cobh Cruise Berth Upgrade_Redacted	6	Part Grant	S37	Others
						Personal
						Information of
3	09.10.17	Email - FW_Health & Safety Hazard Cobh (1)_Redacted	4	Part Grant	S37	Others
						Personal
						Information of
4	11.10.17	Email - FW_Health & Safety Hazard Cobh_Redacted	2	Part Grant	S37	Others

Signed:

Freedom of Information / Data Protection Executive

From:
Cc:
Subject:
Date:

FW: Cobh Cruise Berth Bollards for Port of Cork 09 January 2015 15:38:27

Gents

Please see the email below regarding the commencement of works at Cobh Cruise Ship Terminal by the Port of Cork adjacent to Cobh Station.

Regards

From:

Sent: 09 January 2015 15:24

To: Cc:

Subject: Cobh Cruise Berth Bollards for Port of Cork

As discussed earlier, we wish to keep you appraised of the upcoming works at the Port of Cork Cruise Terminal as a courtesy to our main neighbour.

These works involve construction of 3 isolated mooring dolphins in the water $\hat{a} \in$ "one of which is adjacent to Five Foot Way which neighbours Irish Rail property and the other two are offshore from the Railway Station building. All works will of course be confined to the car park or marine sites and will not encroach onto Irish Rail property.

The prospective programme is as follows:

Mobilisation of site huts and fencing off compound along Five Foot Way – w/c 12th January 2015

Piling and main construction off Five Foot Way – w/c 26th January 2015

Piling and main construction offshore from Railway Station – w/c 9th February 2015

We confirm that the appointed Contractor is of Kilmihil in Co. Clare

The site agent for will be

The Port of Cork contact for these works shall be

The Engineer on the works will be

We would be pleased to have any feedback or comments you may have.

We undertake to keep you updated as the works progress.

Best Regards

Elmwood House, 74 Boucher Road,

Belfast, BT12 6RZ. Northern Ireland

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FW: Cobh Cruise Berth Upgrade 16 October 2014 15:02:43 IBM0549-050 Proposed Site Location Plan IBM0.pdf IBM0549-101 Proposed General Arrangement IBM.pdf IBM0549-110 Mooring Dolphin B1 General Layou.pdf IBM0549-120 Mooring Dolphin B2 General Arran.pdf IBM0549-150 Mooring Dolphin B3 General Arran.pd

Gents

Please see the email below and attached drawings from RPS (on behalf of the Port of Cork) in relation to proposed works at the Cruise Ship Berth in Cobh.

Regards

From: Sent: 16 October 2014 09:14

To: Subject: FW: Cobh Cruise Berth Upgrade.

Dea

I believe you have spoken on the phone to my colleague on the subject of the Cobh Cruise Berth Upgrade. I'm sending you some further information on the project as a courtesy to Irish Rail. I have also included some of the key drawings, including the site location plan. Below is a brief outline of the works which will be carried out.

The proposed works at Cobh Cruise Berth are intended to provide the facility for the berth to accommodate cruise vessels with an overall length up to 350m (Quantum Class). Currently the berth accommodates vessels up to 341m but large vessels will require the provision of additional mooring points with a greater mooring load capacity.

In order to accommodate a Quantum class vessel three additional mooring points are required. These will be provided at the following locations.

• Adjacent the walkway at Five Foot Way

• Adjacent the eastern corner of the existing berth

• Adjacent the boarding pontoon in front of The Quays pub.

The works comprise the construction of 3 nr mooring bollards support structures and will include;

1. Steel and concrete piling in the marine environment

2. Installation of ground anchors

3. Precast and in-situ concrete works

4. Steel access bridges

This will require the use of floating/jack-up marine plant

The works are due to be carried out between January and April of 2015.

It would be great if you could circulate this information to your colleagues of whom it is of interest. I believe that when the previous work was carried out on the Cobh Cruise Berth the contractor liaised well with Irish Rail for the duration of the project. I hope for this to continue with these works. Finally, if there are any queries surrounding the work don't hesitate to get in touch. Kind Regards,









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From:

Sent: Monday 9 October 2017 10:33

To:

Subject: Health and Safety Hazard Cobh

To whom it may concern,

Please be advised of a potential health and safety issue at the bottom of Irish Rail footbridge OBC438 in Cobh.

On the 11.08.2016 I carried out a routine inspection of the Irish Rail asset as part of our routine maintenance schedule. While on site I noted that there are open steps leading into the sea from our footbridge. There is also damage to the top step of your structural asset which requires repair. Both of these hazards pose significant risk to members of public who use the footbridge and also walk along the sea front.

Please see attached PDF for your perusal. I have also uploaded the photos to the "your council†section of your webpage.

Regards,



Health and Safety Issue Cobh

Location Map



Photographs



Figure 1: Open steps at base of footbridge into sea, area hi-lighted by red box



Figure 2: Damaged top step separating from surrounding stones and being held in place with handrail



Figure 3: Photograph showing the extent of separation



Figure 4: Section of footpath being undermined as a result of movement in stone step, area hi-lighted with red box

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To:	
Subject:	FW: Health and Safety Hazard Cobh
Date:	14 December 2020 14:36:59
Attachments:	image001.jpg



From: cobhmd <cobhmd@corkcoco.ie>
Sent: Wednesday 11 October 2017 12:27

To:

Subject: RE: Health and Safety Hazard Cobh

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I have forwarded your email to the Engineer for his attention

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Cobh M.D.

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To: cobhmd

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