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6th May 2021

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Email: [REDACTED]

Re: FOI request IE_FOI_461

Dear [REDACTED],

I refer to your request dated 4th April 2021 made under the Freedom of Information Act 2014, which was received on by my office on that date, for records held by Iarnród Éireann.

Request:

- Record of Iarnród Éireann's history of ownership of the train line between Charleville to Limerick city. (Just outside Charleville where the old spur leaves the Cork to Dublin line and goes to Bruree, Croom, Patrickswell and joins the still existing Foynes line).
- Details on whether IÉ still holds ownership over any of that old line. If certain sections or all of the line was sold, I would like to know when (what year) each section was sold.
- Details of what year passenger services from Limerick to Charleville and vice versa ended and what year freight ended for the line.
- list of all and any feasibility studies undertaken by IÉ or commissioned by IÉ or by the State on behalf of IÉ since 2000 on the reopening of the Charleville to Limerick line

Response:

I, [REDACTED], Decision Maker have now made a final decision to grant your request on 6th May 2021.

Please find response document and schedule of records attached.

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, Iarnród 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.

The appeal will involve a complete reconsideration of the matter by a more senior member of the staff of this body.

Should you have any questions or concerns regarding the above, please contact the FOI Officer on [REDACTED] or by email at foi@irishrail.ie

Yours sincerely,

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] **FOI Decision Maker, Infrastructure Management, Iarnród Éireann**

Freedom of Information Request:
Schedule of Records for IE_FOI_461 : Summary for Decision Making

Record No.	Date of Record	Brief Description	No. of Pages	Decision: Grant/Part Grant/Refuse	Section of Act if applicable	Record Edited/Identify Deletions
1	06.05.2021	IE_FOI_461 Response Document	1	Grant	~	~

Signed:

Freedom of Information / Data Protection Executive

IE FOI 461 Response Document

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 - Iarnród Éireann (IÉ) hold no records of ownership for the Charleville to Limerick Line in CCE Limerick Junction. CIÉ Group Property would hold records of land purchased for the building of that line.
- Details on whether IÉ still holds ownership over any of that old line. If certain sections or all of the line was sold, I would like to know when (what year) each section was sold.
 - IÉ have no records of what lands are still in its ownership or details of the sale of any section of the line in CCE Limerick Junction. CIÉ Group Property would have details of land ownership and land sales.
- Details of what year passenger services from Limerick to Charleville and vice versa ended and what year freight ended for the line.
 - Passenger Services from Limerick to Charleville ended in 1934
 - Freight Services from Limerick to Charleville ended in 1967
- list of all and any feasibility studies undertaken by IÉ or commissioned by IÉ or by the State on behalf of IÉ since 2000 on the reopening of the Charleville to Limerick line
 - please see - https://www.irishrail.ie/IrishRail/media/Imported/irishrail_28febfinal_part21.pdf which references same.