

[REDACTED]

25th October 2016

Re: FOI request IE_FOI_067

Dear [REDACTED]

I refer to your request dated 5th October 2016 which was received by this office on that date in which you have made under the Freedom of Information Act 2014 for records held by this FOI body. Your request sought:

Request –

- The amount Iarnród Éireann spent on improving the quality of the audio announcements on the DART Services in the years 2013, 2014, 2015 and to-date in 2016
- The number of requests that Iarnród Éireann made to National Transport Authority for funding to purchase extra DART carriages, Commuter carriages and Intercity carriages in the years 2013, 2014, 2015 and to-date in 2016
- The number of those requests that were approved, pending or refused in each of the years mentioned above.

I, Aisling Norton have now made a final decision to part grant your request on 25th October 2016

Please find the records you require attached along with a schedule of record.

In the event that you are unhappy with this decision, you may appeal it. In the event that you need to request such a review, you can do so by writing to FOI Unit, Corporate Communications, Iarnród Éireann Irish Rail, Connolly Station, Amiens St, Dublin 1 or alternatively by sending an e-mail to foi@irishrail.ie. You should state that you are seeking this review because an initial decision was not sent to you within the time allowed for a response. In that event, you would normally have 4 weeks (after the initial decision should have been sent to you) in which to make the appeal. Consideration will be given to late applications in appropriate circumstances.

Should you wish to discuss the above, please contact me by telephone at 01-7034293.

Yours sincerely,



Aisling Norton

PA to Chief Mechanical Engineer, Iarnrod Eireann

Freedom of Information Request:
 Schedule of Records for IE_FOI_067 : 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	18.10.16	Response to questions posed in IE_FOI_067	1	Grant		
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Signed

IE Decision Maker

Freedom of Information Request

- **The amount Iarnród Éireann spent on improving the quality of the audio announcements on the DART Services in the years 2013, 2014, 2015 and to-date in 2016**

Below is a table outlining total spend by Iarnród Éireann on the improvement of Audio Announcements on the DART Services. This includes the DART Depot Maintenance Costs of the Passenger Announcements System (Labour and Materials) and the Passenger Information System (Labour and Materials), the planned upgrades with Suppliers, and our In House Repair Facility, Labour and Material Costs for the DART Fleet.

Year	€
2013	130,096
2014	130,973
2015	178,444
2016 (YTD)	186,125

- **The number of requests that Iarnród Éireann made to National Transport Authority for funding to purchase extra DART carriages, Commuter carriages and Intercity carriages in the years 2013,2014,2015 and to-date in 2016**

No requests have been made to the National Transport Authority for funding to purchase extra DART or Commuter carriages in the years 2013-2016 or Intercity carriages in the years 2013-2015

A request has been made in 2016 to the National Transport Authority for inclusion of funding to purchase extra Intercity carriages

- **The number of those requests that were approved, pending or refused in each of the years mentioned above.**

The request for funding of additional Intercity carriages is currently pending.