

# 10 Drogs ART for decade

THERE are no plans to extend DART line to Drogheda in near future and the rollout of the scheme is at least a decade away, it has been revealed. Responding to a query from TD Fergus O'Dowd on the status of plans to bring DART services to Drogheda, the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport Shane Ross said elements of the DART Expansion programme, including an extension to Drogheda, are being considered in the context of the 10 year investment plan that is expected to be published in the near future.

The Minister went on to say that at the Government's budgetary framework for capital investment, as set out in Building a Recovery: Infrastructure and Capital Investment 2016-2021, was reviewed last year in the context of the Mid-Term Review of capital priorities, delivery and funding. Following this work, Budget 2018 increased the multi-annual capital investment funding envelopes for the coming four-year period, including providing an enhanced capital envelope of €2.7 billion for public transport investment between 2018 and 2021.

This enhanced capital envelope includes funding in the order of €230 million for mainline rail and DART capacity enhancement and will allow acceleration of the initial stages of the overall DART Expansion Programme, focussing particularly at this stage on providing additional fleet to enhance capacity, and extending the electrified DART system, he said.

## PUBLIC NOTICE

### APPLICATION FOR A FORESHORE LICENCE

Notice is hereby given pursuant to Section 19 of the Foreshore Act, 1933 that Hibernian Wind Power of Two Gateway, East Wall Road, Dublin 3 has applied to the Minister of Housing, Planning, and Local Government for a licence under Section 3 of the said Act for Site Investigation works to select an optimum route for submarine electricity cables to acquire baseline data to allow cable design and the development of cable installation methodologies, to acquire baseline data to optimise the windfarm layout design and finalise offshore foundation locations, to acquire baseline data on the wind resource and baseline information for environmental studies of the area for the development of an Offshore Windfarm in the vicinity of Clogher Head, County Louth.

A copy of the application, and the relevant maps, plans, and drawings, are available for inspection for the next 21 working days, free of charge, at Clogherhead Garda Station, Callystown, Clogherhead, Drogheda, Co. Louth A92 TV77 and Drogheda Garda Station, Father Connolly Way, Drogheda, Co. Louth, A92 P704.

The documentation is available on the Department's website <http://www.housing.gov.ie/planning/foreshore/applications/hibernian-wind-power-clogher-head>

Any person who wishes to make an objection to, or a representation in respect of the grant of the licence sought should do so in writing, giving reasons, within 21 working days of publication of this Notice (quoting ref: FS006787), to the Foreshore Unit, Department of Housing, Planning, and Local Government, Newtown Road, Wexford, Co. Wexford or [foreshore@housing.gov.ie](mailto:foreshore@housing.gov.ie). The closing date for submissions is close of business on 26th February 2018.

All objections and representations received will be forwarded to the applicant for comment prior to any decision being made in the matter. Material upon which the Minister shall determine this application may be published on the Department's website. In this regard the Department wishes to draw attention to its policy on defamatory material that may be contained in submissions it receives, which may be found at: <http://www.envron.ie/en/Foreshore/PublicParticipationProcess-Foreshore/>

Dated 24th January 2018

Hibernian Wind Power, Two Gateway, East Wall Road, Dublin 3