

Independent Expert.

Transport Infrastructure Ireland (TII) has appointed an Independent Engineering Expert to review Railway Order submission documents, including design route drawings, the environmental impact assessment report and associated relevant technical papers with a view to providing an objective report(s) on various aspects of MetroLink. These objective report(s) will include the impacts of MetroLink both during construction and operation phases. The Independent Engineering Expert will carry out open discussions with Stakeholder Groups regarding the findings of such report(s).

### **Independent Engineering Expert Services**

The Services include :

- (a) Provide a single point of contact acting as a liaison between TII and Stakeholder Groups;
- (b) Review all Publicised Emerging Preferred Route and Preferred Route documents;
- (c) Review all Public Railway Order documents provided by TII, including design route drawings, the environmental impact assessment report and associated relevant technical papers and any other relevant documents;
- (d) The Independent Expert (RINA) will attend meetings with Stakeholder Groups;
- (e) RINA will collate questions from stakeholder groups and provide written feedback to TII and Stakeholder Groups;
- (f) RINA will develop a suitable report format and structure for the size and complexity of the required reports following relevant stakeholder meetings and agreement of report extent with TII;
- (g) RINA will provide report(s) for a non-technical readership on various aspects of the entire MetroLink design as detailed in the documents in the Railway Order Submission on issues and associated issues with the construction and operation of MetroLink;
- (h) RINA will chair open sessions to discuss with relevant Stakeholder Groups the findings of such report(s) and hold a Question & Answer session(s) as required; and
- (i) RINA's role is to objectively review and report on drawings and documents provided within the Railway Order. It does not extend to carrying out any design or analysis.