



**DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL
PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT ACT 2000,
as amended**

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as amended.**

**NOTICE OF PROPOSED MATERIAL AMENDMENT TO THE
NORTH LOTTS AND GRAND CANAL DOCK STRATEGIC
DEVELOPMENT ZONE PLANNING SCHEME**

Dublin City Council is specified as the Development Agency for the purposes of the above Planning Scheme under the SDZ designation in accordance with Part IX Section 166(3) of the Act. As the designated Development Agency for the SDZ, Dublin City Council proposes to amend the location of a planned pedestrian/cycle bridge across the River Liffey, from Forbes Street to Blood Stoney Road.

The main reasons for the proposed amendment are as follows;

- There has been a change in circumstances in relation to the impact of a bridge at Forbes Street. The alignment of the proposed DART Underground route which traverses the River Liffey is now under review by the National Transport Authority, and the provision of a bridge at Forbes Street would result in unacceptable design and cost constraints, with associated risk for the future of the project. A relocated position avoids this problem whilst ensuring ease of access to the future DART station.
- The Blood Stoney Road location would greatly improve connectivity and help alleviate pedestrian and cyclist congestion on the nearby Samuel Beckett Bridge.
- The Blood Stoney Road location avoids the need to relocate the MV Cill Airne and the likely need to relocate the existing Diving Bell on the South Quays.
- The proposed bridge, when taken in conjunction with existing and other planned bridges, would help achieve a more even distribution of bridges along the River Liffey, supporting more activity on the River Liffey.

Notice is hereby given pursuant to Section 170A(7) of the Planning and Development Act 2000 as amended, that copies of the proposed amendment, along with the assessments undertaken according to subsection (6)(b) of the above Act in relation to Strategic Environmental Assessment and Appropriate Assessment, are available for inspection at the following locations during normal opening hours from Wednesday **29th January 2020 to Wednesday 26th February 2020** inclusive:

Dublin Docklands Office, Dublin City Council, Custom House Quay, Dublin 1.

Dublin City Council, Planning Counter, Ground Floor, Block 4, Civic Offices, Wood Quay, Dublin 8.

These documents, which include further detail of the summarised reasons above, may also be viewed online at <http://www.dublindocklands.ie/planning>

Written submissions or observations in relation to the Proposed Amendment to the North Lotts and Grand Canal Dock Strategic Development Zone Planning Scheme are invited from members of the public and other interested parties including children, or groups or associations representing children and may be made online at the following link

<https://consultation.dublincity.ie/planning/bridge-amendment/>

Or

by post to the following address:-

**North Lotts and Grand Canal Dock Proposed Amendment
Dublin Docklands, Dublin City Council,
Custom House Quay, Dublin 1.**

Submissions or observations must include the full name and address of the person making the submission or observation and, where relevant, the body or organisation represented, and should be received not later than **Wednesday 26th February 2020**. These will be taken into consideration prior to making a decision on the proposed amendment.

Please Note:

In accordance with Section 170A(7) of the Planning and Development Act, 2000 as amended, only submissions or observations in relation to the Proposed Amendments will be taken into consideration. Submissions/observations not adhering to these criteria will be considered invalid.

The Planning process is an open and public one. In that context all submissions/observations are a matter of public record, and may also be placed on the City Council's website.