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Dear Ms Cremin,

Thank you for further correspondence, dated 22 November 2021, concerning the information previously supplied in relation to DART+. Expenditure on DART+ commenced in 2016 and amounts to €41.3million up to October 2021.

Expenditure on the previous 'DART Underground' project amounted to a total of €45million, a significant element of which related to matters such as geotechnical and topographical surveys, property referencing and design work. On that basis, the National Transport Authority considers there is a residual value of approximately 20 – 25% of that previous expenditure as it relates to future work that might be considered in the context of developing any future DART+ Tunnel.

If you have any further queries, do not hesitate to contact Eoin Keehan at [eoinkeehan@transport.gov.ie](mailto:eoinkeehan@transport.gov.ie) .

Yours sincerely,

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