

# Business Consulting

## Transport and Infrastructure

Grant Thornton has extensive experience in the delivery of consulting and advisory services to transport and infrastructure clients both domestically and abroad. Our Business Consulting Transport and Infrastructure team have worked with a number of transport organisations in Ireland, serving private, public and semi-state sectors. We support clients to deliver on strategic, organisational and end user requirements by providing tailored advice, combined with international experience and expertise.

### A changing landscape

Against a backdrop of growing economic activity, rising employment and a population which is likely to reach five million over the next decade, transport infrastructure in Ireland is coming under increasing pressure. Evolving transport and political landscapes mean that infrastructure and operators are being challenged to provide an effective service that meets public needs, provides for economic and social development and encourages further Foreign Direct Investment (FDI).

In recognition of this, existing services must be optimised to achieve the maximum potential benefit. Investment will also be required to supplement this improvement and to establish infrastructure representative of a modern and sustainable transport system. It is critical that these investment opportunities are fully understood to ensure that projects supporting wider development strategies are pursued.

### Our integrated range of services



#### Strategic advisory

- strategic planning;
- Cost Benefit Analysis (CBA)/feasibility studies; and
- sectoral analysis and surveys.



#### Business transformation

- business transformation/change management;
- stakeholder management; and
- Project Management Office (PMO) coordination.



#### Operational excellence

- business process re-engineering/Lean Six Sigma;
- cost transformation; and
- Target Operating Model (TOM) development.

## An integrated approach to public transport

A key metric of a successful transportation system is the ease of access and navigation across the system. Whether by road, rail, sea or air this is achieved by taking an integrated approach and ensuring that the processes and infrastructure supporting operations are aligned to user requirements.

Significant strides have been made on the roll out of integrated ticketing and the development of key infrastructure projects. However, further development will be required to maintain momentum and to ensure the delivery of projects which achieve the greatest user benefits.

Grant Thornton has a proven track record in the development of strategies and operating models for complex organisations across a range of sectors and is uniquely positioned to assist.

## Supporting wider growth

The role of the transport industry in facilitating economic activity is critical to the image of Ireland as an international market.

With the prospect of Brexit likely to impact transport activity between Ireland and the UK, businesses must formulate new strategies for accessing this market and diversifying into new jurisdictions. Against this backdrop, companies transport infrastructure will need to be capable of facilitating links across these new markets.

At Grant Thornton we can provide you with robust advice to support decision making and develop strategic initiatives. We can also support the implementation of these initiatives through our project and programme management resources.

## Our dedicated Transport and Infrastructure consulting team

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