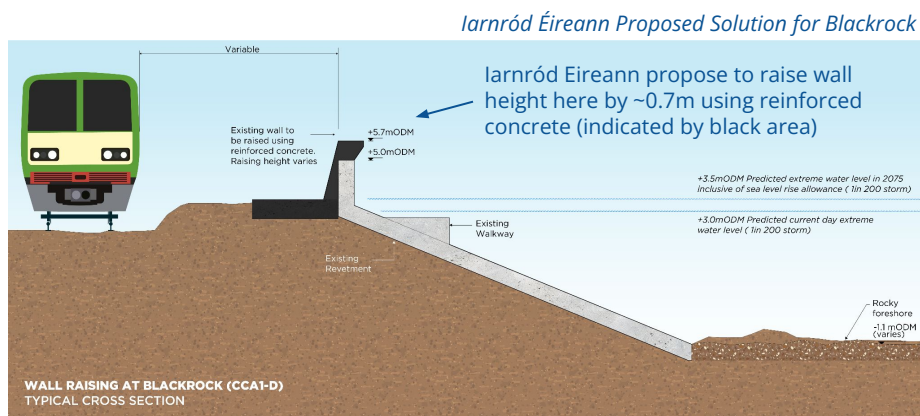


### CONSIDERATIONS FOR BLACKROCK *(Consultation Deadline Wed 4th Dec, 2024)*

There is an urgent need to protect the east coast rail infrastructure, however there are several concerns with Iarnród Éireann's proposed solution that it is important for the Blackrock Community to be aware of.

#### WHAT ARE IARNRÓD ÉIREANN PROPOSING?

- Iarnród Éireann recently launched a public consultation on plans to protect the DART/ rail lines from coastal erosion & flooding
- This initiative is called the East Coast Railway Infrastructure Protection Projects (ECRIPP)
- Merrion to Dun Laoghaire proposal largely based on raising the height of walls on the seaside by between 0.7 ~ 1.5m (CCA1)
- Proposal for Blackrock is to raise wall height by approx 0.7m (see black area in image)



#### CONSIDERATIONS FOR BLACKROCK COMMUNITY

Iarnród Éireann's Proposed Solution for Blackrock:

- Risks further visually disconnecting Blackrock Village from the Seafront due to the increase in height of seawall
- Proposed use of large amounts of reinforced concrete barriers for the increased height of the wall risks significantly damaging rather than enhancing the visual appeal of what is an increasingly important public amenity
- A missed opportunity to incorporate a pedestrian and cycleway on the seafront as previously proposed by the Sutton-to-Sandy Cove (S2S) campaign over the last number of years (see [www.S2S.ie](http://www.S2S.ie))

#### IS THERE A BETTER SOLUTION ? - Make your voice heard...

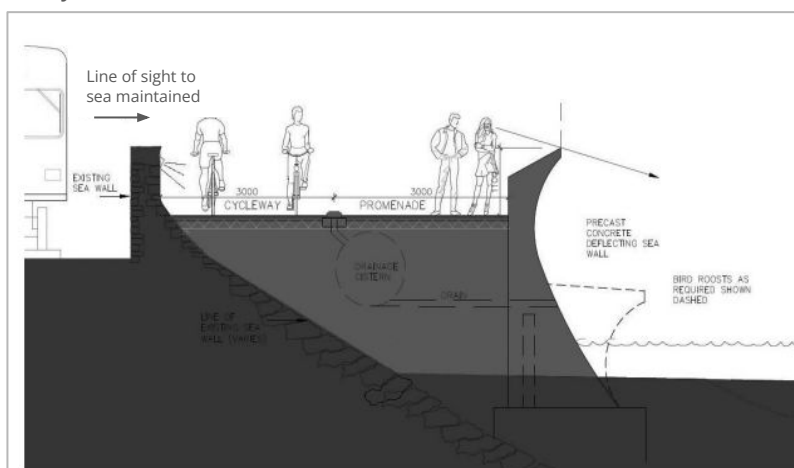
Over the last years the Sutton-to-Sandy Cove (S2S) campaign have championed well thought through solutions here. These solutions protect the rail infrastructure into the future, maintain the visual connection with the seafront along the route, create a new cycle & walkway and also protect and enhance the local wildlife and special conservation area.

This is an amazing opportunity to think beyond a single issue solution and adopt a solution that solves for multiple needs at the same time, protecting the rail infrastructure, the seafront amenity and the wildlife for everyone.

S2S Solutions for coastal protection that also enhance the public amenity



S2S proposals include pedestrian and cycleway on top of flood defenses, connecting the community with Dublin Bay



S2S proposals protect the rail infrastructure, preserve line of sight from DART to Dublin Bay, create a pedestrian and cycleway and protect the local wildlife

#### MAKE YOUR VOICE HEARD AND SHARE YOUR INPUT AND VIEWS - ***Deadline Wed Dec 4th***

Iarnród Éireann currently have a public consultation open on their emerging proposed solutions (including the wall height increases at Blackrock seafront). This is a great opportunity for you to share your views and thoughts on these proposals, together with any suggestions or concerns that you might have. You can share inputs through a simple online form ([here](#)) which only takes a few minutes to complete. You can also submit observations by email or by post.

Short link to Iarnród Éireann's detailed ECRIPP consultation: [www.tinyurl.com/BlackrockDART](http://www.tinyurl.com/BlackrockDART)