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Dublin port has been rail connected for generations and this should be a central part of your post 2040 plan to ensure that the port aims to achieve climate friendly standards and has a positive impact towards the EU Green Deal which Ireland has signed up to in Europe.

Decarbonisation is part of the future and a stream of trucks heading near the city centre to the port is not the way ahead. Rail has proven to be far more efficient in terms of decarbonisation and the present port had the rail infrastructure to expand and extend. This would have positive impact not only in Dublin but also throughout the country as more and more freight could shift to rail.

Dublin port can be a drivers in the modal shift to rail by retaining rail connectivity at the port and giving the lead towards a greener better Ireland. The decisions made today will decide how the country develops in the future.

Bottom line either relocate the port from its present centre city position or expand the rail freight capacity to reduce dependence on truck freight only. The article under is retrograde.

<https://www.irishtimes.com/business/dublin-port-rail-link-suspended-due-to-brexit-congestion-1.4594404>

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