



Meath County Council

Appropriate Assessment

Determination

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File Reference: PT8/MH148

Description of Development:

The development will consist of the provision of works to complement the Boyne Valley to Lakelands Greenway, in particular the construction of an 850m footpath extending along R162 from the Gypsum Plant to L74034 Ballynaclose Junction, and the construction of a 19-space car park in the townlands of Lisnagrow and Ballynaclose, Kells, Co. Meath.

The proposed works will comprise of, but not limited to, the following:

- i) New 2m wide footpath along R162, approximately 850m in length, providing pedestrian access to the Boyne Valley Lakelands Greenway Crossing at Poles Cross. The footpath will extend along R162 from the Gypsum Plant, traverse the Greenway entrance, and continue to the L74034 Ballynaclose Junction.
- ii) Provision of car park facilities to accommodate 19 car parking spaces, which includes two disabled parking spaces at the Poles Cross Greenway Crossing in the townlands of Lisnagrow and Ballynaclose.
- iii) The car park is proposed to have footpaths, boundary treatments and ancillary features.
- iv) Ancillary site development/ground works including minor infrastructural excavation works, installation of road gullies, utilities, surface water drainage, installation of soakaway infrastructure, etc.

Location: R-162 Poles Cross, Lisnagrow and Ballynaclose, Kells, Co. Meath

AA Preliminary Examination Determination: The Screening for Appropriate Assessment was carried out by ORS and their screening conclusion states that;

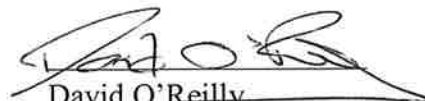
“It is of the opinion of the author that an AA of the proposed development is not required as it can be excluded, on the basis of objective information provided in this report, that the proposed development, individually or in combination with other plans or projects, will not have a significant effect on any European sites. Therefore, this proposed project does not need to proceed to Stage II of the Appropriate Assessment Process, i.e., a Natura Impact Statement (NIS).”

Having regard to this screening report, it is considered that Meath County Council can determine that the proposed development will not affect the integrity of any designated site.

The assessment as reported is adopted as the determination of Meath County Council.



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