

PART 8

EIA SCREENING PROCEDURE

Planning & Development Regulations 2001 (as amended) – Part 10

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Proposing Department: Transportation
Responsible Officer: Paul Tumelty (Assistant Engineer)
Case Officer: Donal Farrelly (Executive Planner)
Proposed Development: Part 8 Greenway Carpark and Footpath Link – Poles Cross
Site Location: Townlands of Ballynaclose and Lisnagrow, Kells, Co. Meath

1. (a) Is the development of a type set out in Part 1 of Schedule 5:

No

(b) If 'Yes', specify which Class and notify Responsible Officer of requirement to proceed to Article 117 scoping and/or Section 175 application to An Bord Pleanála, as necessary:

N/A

2. (a) Is the development of a type set out in Part 2 of Schedule 5:

No

(b) If 'Yes', specify which Class and notify Responsible Officer of requirement to proceed to Article 117 scoping and/or Section 175 application to An Bord Pleanála, as necessary:

N/A

3. (a) Is the development of a type set out in Part 2 of Schedule 5 which does not exceed a quantity, area or other limit specified in respect to the relevant class of development:

Yes

(b) If 'Yes', specify which Class and proceed to Question 4:

10(b)(ii) Car Park (ii) Construction of a car-park providing more than 400 spaces, other than a car-park provided as part of, and incidental to the primary purpose of, a development.

The proposed car park will provide 19 spaces.

Sub-threshold Development – Preliminary Examination (Step 1)

4. Provide a preliminary examination of the proposed development in accordance with Article 120(1)(a) referencing its nature, size and location of the proposed 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, 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.

The proposed development in terms of overall site size is well below any of the relevant thresholds referenced above and there is no real likelihood of significant effects on the environment as a result of the proposed development.

Preliminary Conclusion

- there is no real likelihood of significant effects on the environment arising from the proposed development, and an EIA is not required [Article 120(1)(b)(i)]**
- there is significant and realistic doubt in regard to the likelihood of significant effects on the environment arising from the proposed development and the information specified in Schedule 7A is required for the purposes of a screening determination [Article 120(1)(b)(ii) – proceed to Q. 5] ¹**

¹ Notify Responsible Officer of requirement to provide Schedule 7A information.

- there is a real likelihood of significant effects on the environment arising from the proposed development and an EIAR is required in respect of the development [Article 120(1)(b)(iii)]²


Specify reason(s)

Through preliminary examination of the proposal and discussion with various internal sections / departments it is the opinion of the Planning Authority that the environmental impacts of the project are thought not to be significant and an Environmental Impact Assessment Report (EIAR) under current EIA legislation is not required in this instance.

Part 8 Notices to indicate conclusion in accordance with Article 120(1)(b)(i).

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Part 8 Notices to indicate conclusion in accordance with Article 120(1)(b)(i).



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² Notify Responsible Officer of requirement to provide an EIAR and proceed to Article 117 scoping and/or Section 175 application to An Bord Pleanála.

Sub-threshold Development – Screening Determination (Step 2)

5. Provide a screening determination of the proposed development in accordance with Article 120(1B) with reference to the criteria listed in Schedule 7 and the information submitted pursuant to Schedule 7A, where applicable:

✓ See attached determination sheet

Screening Determination


- ✓ there is no real likelihood of significant effects on the environment arising from the proposed development and an EIA is not required [Article 120(1B)(i)]
- there is a real likelihood of significant effects on the environment arising from the proposed development and an EIAR is required in respect of the development [Article 120(1B)(ii)]³

Specify reason(s)

Meath County Council has concluded from a screening determination under Article 120(1)(b)(i) that there is no real likelihood of significant effects on the environment arising from the proposed development and that an Environmental Impact Assessment is not required.

Signatures

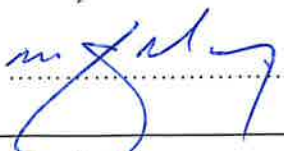
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