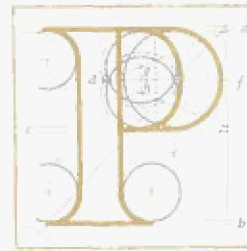


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29th November 2017

**Appeal**                      **Re:** Restoration of quarry to original state, importation of 5,600,000 tonnes of soil, stones and inert materials and construction of a community centre. An EIS was lodged with the planning application. Tullykane, Kilmessan, Co. Meath.

Dear Sir/Madam,

I have been asked by An Bord Pleanála to refer to the above-mentioned appeal and your letter dated the 21st November, 2017 requesting comments in relation to the above-mentioned application for a Waste licence or a review of a Waste licence pursuant to the provisions of section 40 and section 46 of the Waste Management Act 1996, as inserted by Article 7 of the European Union (Environmental Impact Assessment) (Waste) Regulations 2012. The Board's observations in relation to the above-mentioned application are as follows:

(Delete as appropriate)

- i) There is a live planning appeal under consideration by An Bord Pleanála (appeal Ref. PL17.248391) which relates to importation of fill to a quarry at Tullykane, Kilmessan, Co. Meath. This is the same development as that before the Environmental Protection Agency under licence application reference No. W0296-01.
- ii) The Board is aware that the proposed development is a licensable activity.
- iii) The information relating to the EIS on the EPA's website is the same information as in the EIS submitted to An Bord Pleanála.
- iv) No oral hearing has been conducted by An Bord Pleanála in relation to the proposed development.
- v) It is not considered that any significant additional information has to date been added to the original planning application submitted to Meath County Council during either the planning application or appeal process.

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vi) The Agency's attention is drawn to the following planning history on the site:

Permission was granted under PL17.233813 for the continuation of a quarry development previously granted (and associated plant and buildings) including extraction of a further two benches within the previous approved footprint for a new term of 22 years on a 46 ha site. Permission for a ready mix concrete batching facility on the existing quarry floor was refused. The refusal reason referred, inter alia, to the location of the site in a sensitive landscape as being an inappropriate location for industrial development. The risk of pollution to ground and surface water was also referenced.

Permission was refused under PL17.223781 for a readymix concrete and concrete block batching plants comprising two batching houses, 10 aggregate storage bins, three cement silos, conveyors, two water storage tanks and other ancillary plant and machinery (maximum height of structures 13 metres), a storage building (maximum height 7.2 metres) for the storage of block making machinery and banding (gross floor area 368 square metres), an ESB switch house (gross floor area 35 square metres), three number ground storage aggregate bays (area 388 square metres), a concrete recycler and washwater recycling lagoons, block yard (area 23,800 square metres), prefabricated office building (area 46.8 square metres) and truck parking area. The proposed development will be located on the existing quarry floor within a 3.5 hectare area of the Tullykane quarry development site (planning register reference number 99/1230). Permission was granted for retention of ESB substation (gross floor area 72 square metres). The refusal reasons referred to the inappropriate location of industrial development in a sensitive landscape and potential pollution of ground and surface water systems.

Permission was granted under PL17.119097 (reg. ref. 99/1230) for retention of intensification of a quarry development and associated processing on 46.5 hectares including improvements to the existing quarry entrance with provision for new office, wheelwash and relocation of weighbridge at Tullykane, Kilmessan, County Meath

In accordance with Section 171A and Section 172 of the Planning and Development Act, 2010, the Board will carry out an Environmental Impact Assessment in respect of the proposed development.

In accordance with Section 177U and/or Section 177V of the Planning and Development Act, 2010, the Board will carry out screening for Appropriate Assessment and/or Appropriate Assessment as required.

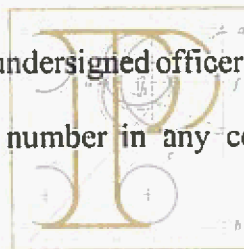
A copy of the Planner's report and the Manager's Order of Meath County Council are available on the planning authority website at [www.Meath.ie](http://www.Meath.ie). A copy of the Environmental Impact Statement is also available on their website.

The Agency will be notified of the decision of the Board in relation to this appeal. A copy of the Inspector's Report, the Board Direction and the Board Order will be available on the Board's website ([www.pleanala.ie](http://www.pleanala.ie)) within 3 working days of the Board's decision.

In addition, the complete file will be made available for inspection and purchase at its offices within 3 working days after the case has been determined.

If you have any queries in relation to the matter, please contact the undersigned officer of the Board.

Please quote the above-mentioned An Bord Pleanála reference number in any correspondence or telephone contact with the Board.



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Yours faithfully,

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