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Address	Knockanemore
Priority	(2) Normal
Status	Closed
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Case Planner Start Date	01/03/2012
Case Planner End Date	04/04/2012
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Division	South
Attachments	Quarry Reference CKQY146.docx

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*Noted and agreed*

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*22/8/12*

## Quarry Reference CKQY146

### Report:

I inspected the site on the 28/3/2012. Quarry was closed and inactive on inspection

### The Quarry

The quarry is located at Knockanemore, to the West of Ovens bridge directly adjoining the N22.

### Planning History

Quarrying appears to have commenced on this site pre-1964. The quarry was registered under S261 of the Act of 2000 (QR19). The registration process identified that the owner/operator would need to apply lodge a planning application to be accompanied by an EIA. The extraction area was noted as 93ha.

The operator complied with the decision of registration and under PI Ref No. 06/11798, permission was granted by Cork County Council for the continuation of quarrying. This application was accompanied by an EIA. The decision was appealed to An Bord Pleanala (04.225332).

### Submissions

No submissions have been received from either a first or third party

### Assessment

#### *Requirement for EIA post 1990*

Whilst this quarry has been in operation since pre 1964, The S261 registration process identified an EIA deficit given the scale of quarrying that had occurred on site. The operator complied with legislative requirements and had a planning application and EIA prepared. This application was assessed and approved by both Cork County Council and Bord Pleanala and accounts for the extent of quarrying on the site. A comparison of the aerial photos (2005 & google image 2010- see appendix) indicates that quarrying has adhered to the boundaries set out under the relevant planning applications. Quarrying now appears to have ceased on the site.

#### *European Designated Sites (AA) –applies from 26 Feb. 1997*

The site is not within the zone of influence of a European site thus Appropriate Assessment (AA) would not have been required in any instance

### Conclusion

*Having examined the file and noting that-*

## EIA

Development carried out post 1 February 1990 would have required an EIA. This deficit was addressed through the S261 registration process and subsequent planning application which included an EIA. This EIA accounts for the level of quarrying on the site

## AA

The potential for this quarry to have significant impacts on any Natura 2000 site has been ruled out, because it is neither within nor adjacent to any Natura 2000 site, and because no pathways for ecological impact have been identified between this quarry or any Natura 2000 site.

*And having regard to-*

- (a) The general observations made
- (b) The registration under S261 of the Act
- (c) The subsequent planning application which included an EIA
- (d) Other relevant information notably OSI maps (2000 and 2005) as well as Google Images Map 2010

I would state that the Planning Authority is **not required to make a determination under S261(2)(a)** as the quarry has a lawful permission

Accordingly **NO DECISION** can be issued under S261 (3)(a), (4)a or (5)(a)

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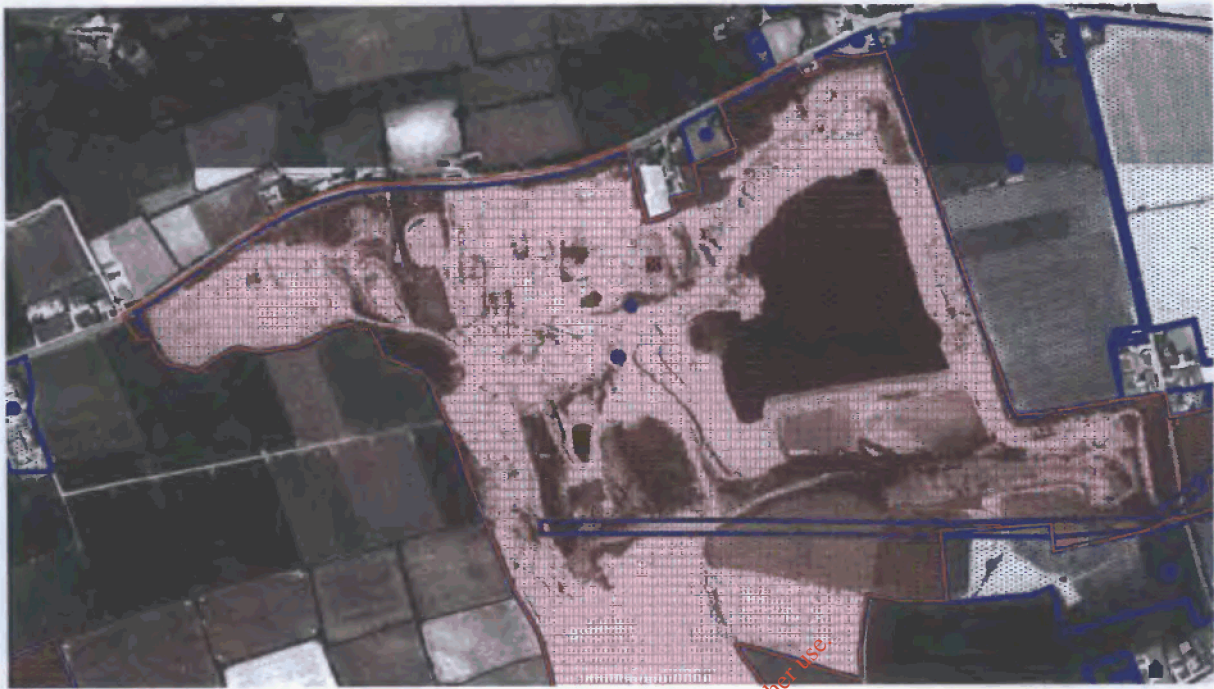
Enda Quinn

Executive Planner

28/3/2012

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Aerial Photo 1995



Aerial photo 2005

**Aerial photo (2010)- quarrying has not expanded beyond sanctioned boundaries**

