



An
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Pleanála

Oral Hearing Agenda

ABP-305226-19

Development	Footbridge at Castlecomer, Co Kilkenny.
Date	Thursday 30 th January, 2020
Start Time	10:00 am
Location	Avalon House Hotel, The Square, Castlecomer, Co Kilkenny.

Agenda

All parties should note that this is a limited agenda oral hearing

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1.	Inspector's Opening Statement
2.	Applicant's Submission (Kilkenny Co Council) <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Summary of the proposed development (max 15 minutes)• Applicants submission – the applicant is expressly requested to confine its response to the matters identified for consideration under the limited agenda and to the observations received by the Board. The applicant should note that the complete application and all submissions to date can be taken as read.
3.	Observers <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Inland Fisheries Ireland2. Department of Culture Heritage & the Gaeltacht

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	<p>3. Transport Infrastructure Ireland</p> <p>4. Eamonn Kelly</p> <p>Upon making their submission, each observer shall have the opportunity to put questions to the applicant.</p> <p>Questions by the applicant to the observer if required.</p> <p>Questions by Inspector, if required.</p>
4.	<p>Closing Submissions in the following order</p> <p>1. Eamonn Kelly</p> <p>2. Transport Infrastructure Ireland</p> <p>3. Department of Culture Heritage and the Gaeltacht</p> <p>4. Inland Fisheries Ireland</p> <p>5. Applicant</p>
	<p>Formal closing of hearing by inspector</p>

Notes

1. The Board has decided that a limited agenda oral hearing be held in this case and **shall be confined to the consideration of the following issues:**

- Habitat loss (spawning and nursery) and disturbance during the construction and operational phase of the development, with particular reference to the proposed in-channel pier.
- Impact of the proposed pier on salmon and lamprey migration, including flow rates and barriers to free movement of fish.
- Potential implications for future conservation works, particularly the removal of the weir, arising from the construction of the pier.

- Potential impacts on archaeological and architectural heritage and the alternative considered in relation to location and design.
2. Previous submissions made in writing to the Board should not be repeated as they have already been read by the Inspector.
 3. Sufficient copies of submissions made at the oral hearing should be made available for distribution to other parties at this hearing. Three copies should be provided to the Inspector.
 4. Closing Submissions should be no longer than 5 minutes per participant with no new or legal matters raised.
- If you or a member of your group have any access requirements, please contact the case officer or An Bord Pleanála's Access Officer as soon as possible so that we may facilitate you in attending the oral hearing.