

Board Direction ABP-300417-17

The submissions on this file and the Inspector's report were considered at a Board meeting held on 06/07/2018.

The Board decided, as set out in the following Order, that

Board Order as follows:-

WHEREAS a question has arisen as to

- (i) Whether an extension of the duration of planning permission for the Shannon LNG Project is a material change that is or is not development or is or is not exempted development.
- (ii) Whether the complete abandonment of the Shannon LNG Project by its promoter is a material change that is or is not development or is or is not exempted development.

AND WHEREAS Safety before LNG requested a declaration on this question from An Bord Pleanala on the 6th December 2017:

AND WHEREAS An Bord Pleanála, in considering this referral, had regard particularly to –

(a) Section 2(1) and Section 3(1) Planning & Development Act 2000, as amended.

AND WHEREAS An Bord Pleanála has concluded that:

- (a) the extension of duration of the grant of planning permission for the Shannon LNG Project does not constitute works on, in over or under land or the making of any material change of use of any structure or other land and therefore does not constitute 'development'.
- (b) the complete abandonment of the proposed Shannon LNG Project by its promoter does not constitute works on, in over or under land or the making of any material change of use of any structure or other land and therefore does not constitute 'development'.

NOW THEREFORE An Bord Pleanála, in exercise of the powers conferred on it by section 5 (3) of the 2000 Act, hereby decides that the extension of duration of the grant of planning permission for the Shannon LNG Project and the complete abandonment of the proposed Shannon LNG Project by its promoter is not a material change that is development.

Board Member:		Date:	06/07/2018
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