

## Board Direction ABP-307002-20

The submissions on this file and the Inspector's report were considered at a Board meeting held on 17/09/2020.

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

**WHEREAS** a question has arisen as to whether the construction of a wall, blocking a historic side gate to the Old School House, Blarney, is or is not development or is or is not exempted development.

**AND WHEREAS** Charles Colthurst care of McCutcheon Halley requested a declaration on this question from Cork County Council and the Council issued a declaration on the 9<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2020, stating that the matter was development and was exempted development

**AND WHEREAS** Charles Colthurst referred this declaration for review to An Bord Pleanála on the 25<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2020

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

- (a) Section 2(1) of the Planning and Development Act, 2000, as amended,
- (b) Section 3(1) of the Planning and Development Act, 2000, as amended,
- (c) Section 81 of the Planning and Development Act, 2000, as amended,
- (d) Section 82 of the Planning and Development Act, 2000, as amended,

- (e) Class 5 and Class 11 of Part 1 of Schedule 2 to the Planning and Development Regulations, 2001, as amended,
- (f) Article 6(1) and Article 9(1) of the Planning and Development Regulations, 2001, as amended,
- (g) The location of the wall beyond the existing boundary of the Old School House,
- (h) The submissions on the file,
- (i) The report of the Inspector.

## AND WHEREAS An Bord Pleanála has concluded that:

- (a) The construction of the wall comprises works which constitute development;
- (b) The construction of the wall falls within the scope of Class 11 of Part 1 of Schedule 2 to the Planning and Development Regulations, 2001, as amended, being the construction of a wall, other than within or bounding the curtilage of a house;
- (c) The construction of the wall is de-exempted by reason of the limitation set out at Class 11, namely that the height of any new structure shall not exceed 1.2 metres;

**NOW THEREFORE** An Bord Pleanála, in exercise of the powers conferred on it by Section 5 (3)(a) of the Planning and Development Act, 2000, as amended, hereby decides that the construction of a wall, blocking a historic side gate to the Old School House, Blarney, is development and is not exempted development.

<b>Board Member:</b>		Date:	17/09/2020
	Chris McGarry		