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Board Direction
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The submissions on this file and the Inspector's report were considered at a Board meeting held on 12/11/2021.

The Board decided to grant leave to apply for substitute consent under section 177D of the Act, based on the reasons and considerations set out below.

Reasons and Considerations

Having regard to sections 177C and 177D of the Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended, the Board is satisfied that an environmental impact assessment and an appropriate assessment are required in this case.

Furthermore, the Board examined whether or not exceptional circumstances exist such that it would be appropriate to allow the opportunity for regularisation of the development by granting leave to apply for substitute consent.

In this regard, the Board considered that:

- this application for leave to apply for substitute consent has demonstrated that the regularisation of the quarry would not circumvent the purposes and objectives of the Environmental Impact Assessment Directive or of the Habitats Directive, because it would allow for the provision of information and an analysis of the likely significant environmental effects of the development and the effects of the development on the integrity of European sites,

