

Board Direction BD-013633-23 ABP-317211-23

The submissions on this file and the Inspector's report were considered at a Board meeting held on 08/09/2023.

The Board determine that the development proposed of a synthetic grass sports pitch and all associated site development works would not be likely to have significant effects on the environment and South County Council be advised that the preparation and submission of an environmental impact assessment report is not required for the reasons and considerations set out under.

Reasons and Considerations

Having regard to the following:

- (a) the criteria set out in Schedule 7 and the information provided in Schedule 7A of the Planning and Development Regulations 2001, as amended,
- (b) the limited nature and scale of the proposed development which is under the threshold in respect of Class 10b(iv) (Infrastructure – Urban Development) of the Planning and Development Regulations 2001, as amended,
- (c) the location of the site on lands zoned Open Space in the South Dublin County Development Plan 2022-2028 and the results of the Strategic Environmental Assessment of this plan undertaken in accordance with the SEA Directive (2001/42/EC),
- (d) the location of the site in a built-up area served by public infrastructure and the existing pattern of development in the vicinity,
- (e) the limited potential for significant impacts arising from the proposed development,

- (f) the submission made by the local authority, including the Environmental Impact Assessment Screening Report, Appropriate Assessment Screening Report and Ecological Impact Assessment,
- (g) the submissions made by the applicants requesting a determination, and
- (h) the report and recommendation of the Inspector,

It is considered that the proposed development would not be likely to have significant effects on the environment and, accordingly, an Environmental Impact Assessment Report is not required.

Board Member

Date: 08/09/2023