

**Board Direction BD-013699-23 ABP-317411-23** 

Roads Acts, 1993 to 2015

Planning and Development Acts, 2000 to 2022

Planning Authority: Tipperary County Council

Application received by An Bord Pleanála from Tipperary County Council requesting it to exercise its powers under section 50(1)(b) of the Roads Act, 1993, as amended, seeking a direction from An Bord Pleanála as to whether or not the proposed road infrastructure works at the Quay, Quay Street, New Quay, Suir Island and Raheen Road, Clonmel town, County Tipperary requires the preparation of an Environmental Impact Assessment Report.

## Decision

TO DIRECT the road authority to prepare an Environmental Impact Assessment Report in respect of the above proposed road development based on the reasons and considerations set out below.

## **Reasons and Considerations**

Having regard to the following:

- (a) the criteria set out in Schedule 7 of the Planning and Development Regulations 2001, as amended,
- (b) the nature and scale of the development including the necessary ancillary works and the combined length of the two bridge developments,
- (c) the location of the proposed development, the characteristics of the proposed development and the characteristics of potential impacts,
- (d) the potential for significant effects on the environment, and

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(e) the submission of the planning authority that the proposed development is likely to result in significant effects on the environment,

the Board considered that the proposed development could have significant effects on the environment and that the preparation and submission of an Environmental Impact Assessment Report is, therefore, required.

In disagreeing with the Inspector's recommendation the Board concurred with the planning authority view that, given the extent and location of the proposed development, either individually or in combination with other projects, the proposed development could have an effect on the environment.

**Board Member** 

Date: 13/09/2023