

## **Board Direction BD-015708-24 ABP-317444-23**

The submissions on this file and the Inspector's report were considered at a Board meeting held on 04/03/2024.

The Board determined that the development proposed of amenity looped paths and all associated site development works would not be likely to have significant effects on the environment and Kerry 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 location of the site within the identified settlement boundary of the town of Kenmare and to the existing pattern of development in the vicinity, including the existing use of the subject site as an amenity walkway,
- (b) The criteria set out in Schedule 7 and the information provided in Schedule 7A of the Planning and Development Regulations 2001, as amended,
- (c) The development does not fall under Schedule 5, Part 2, Class 15 of the Planning and Development Regulations 2001, as amended, having regard to the criteria set out in Schedule 7.
- (d) The limited nature and scale of the proposed development which is significantly under the threshold in respect of Class 10b(iv)

- (Infrastructure Urban Development) of the Planning and Development Regulations 2001, as amended,
- (e) The limited potential for significant impacts arising from the proposed development,
- (f) The submissions made by the applicant requesting a determination and by the local authority, and
- (g) 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, that the preparation and submission of an environmental impact assessment report is not, therefore, required.

**Board Member** 

Date: 04/03/2024