

Board Direction BD-014831-23 ABP-317708-23

The submissions on this file and the Inspector's report were considered at a Board meeting held on 11/12/2023.

The Board determined that the development of a skate park would not be likely to have significant effects on the environment and Wicklow 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 of the Planning and Regulations 2001, as amended,
- b) The nature and limited scale of the 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 Community & Education in the Bray Municipal District Local Area Plan 2018-2024 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 effects on the environment,

f) The submission of the planning authority, including the EIA Preliminary Examination Report and the AA Screening Report,

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.