



An  
Coimisiún  
Pleanála

**Direction**  
**CD-020916-25**  
**ABP-321572-25**

The submissions on file and the inspector's report were considered at a Board Meeting held on the 9/10/2025.

The Commission concluded that the proposed development **would** exceed the threshold set out in the Seventh Schedule of the Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended, and therefore satisfies Section 37A(1) of the Act. The proposed development is also considered to be of strategic importance by reference to the requirements of Section 37A(2)(a), 37A(2)(b) and section 37A(2)(c) of the Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended for the reasons and considerations set out below.

## **REASONS AND CONSIDERATIONS**

Having regard to the size, scale and location of the proposed expansion of the existing Knockharley landfill and related development and to the policy context, it is considered that the further proposed development, comprising an increase in the existing landfill by construction of an additional active void space of 4.12 million m<sup>3</sup> (volume) for landfilling at Knockharley Landfill, Knockharley, Brownstown, Navan, County Meath constitutes development that falls within the Seventh Schedule of the Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended, thereby satisfying the requirements set out in Section 37A(1) of the Act and is considered to be of strategic importance by reference to the requirements of Section 37A(2)(a), 37A(2)(b) and section 37A(2)(c) of the Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended.

The Commission will serve notice on the prospective applicant, pursuant to Section 37(B)(4) of the Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended, stating that it is of the opinion that the proposed development **constitutes** a strategic infrastructure development within the meaning of Section 37A of the Act.

An application for permission for the proposed development must therefore be made directly to An Coimisiún Pleanála under Section 37E of the Act and the following list of prescribed bodies in the Appendix should be consulted in respect of any future application for approval.

## **Planning**

**Commissioner:**

**Date:** 09/10/2025

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## **Appendix– Prescribed bodies**

- Department of the Environment, Climate and Communications
- Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage
- Minister of Climate Energy and the Environment
- Eastern and Midland Regional Assembly
- Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)
- Health Service Executive (HSE)
- Health and Safety Authority (HSA)
- Irish Water / Uisce Eireann
- Transport Infrastructure Ireland (TII)
- Dublin City Council
- Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County Council
- Fingal County Council

- South Dublin County Council
- Kildare County Council
- Meath County Council
- Any other relevant Local Authority
- The Heritage Council
- Failte Ireland
- An Taisce
- Inland Fisheries
- Waterways Ireland
- Department of Agriculture, Food & Marine
- Department of Culture, Communications and Sport
- Office of Public Works (OPW)
- ESB
- EirGrid