

Direction ABP-322041-25

The submissions on this file and the Inspector's report were considered at a meeting held on 20/06/2025.

The Commission decided, as set out in the following Order, that

Commission Order as follows:-

WHEREAS a question has arisen as to whether the change of use of Unit 5, Docklands Innovation Park, 128-130 East Wall Road, Dublin 3 from a training centre to a men's shed is or is not development or is or is not exempted development:

AND WHEREAS Thomas Murphy requested a declaration on this question from Dublin City Council, and the Council issued a declaration on the 10th day of February 2025 stating that the matter was development and was exempted development:

AND WHEREAS Thomas Murphy referred this declaration for review to An Coimisiún Pleanála, on the 6th day of March 2025:

AND WHEREAS An Coimisiún Pleanála, in considering this referral, had regard particularly to:

- (a) Section 2(1) of the Planning and Development Act, 2000, as amended,
- (b) Section 3(1) of the Planning and Development Act, 2000,
- (c) the planning history of the site,

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AND WHEREAS An Coimisiún Pleanála has concluded that:

Use of the subject premises as a men's shed is in keeping with the permitted development of 'training facility' and that, therefore, no change of use has occurred:

NOW THEREFORE An Coimisiún Pleanála, in exercise of the powers conferred on it by Section 5 (3)(a) of the Planning and Development Act, 2000, as amended, hereby decides that the use of the subject premises as a men's shed does not constitute a material change in the permitted use of the subject premises and that, therefore, there has been no associated development as defined by section 3(1) of the Planning and Development Act, 2000 (as amended).

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Commissioner:

Date: 07/07/2025