



The submissions on file and the inspector's report were considered at a Board Meeting held on 6/1/2026.

The Board determined that the prospective applicant should be notified that the proposed development would meet the criteria set out in the Seventh Schedule of the Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended, and therefore satisfies Section 37A(1) of the Act. It can also be concluded that the development is of strategic importance and meets the requirements of Section 37A(2)(a) and Section 37A(2)(b) of the Act.

The prospective applicant should be notified, pursuant to Section 37(B)(4) of the Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended, that the Board is of the opinion that the proposed development constitutes a strategic infrastructure development within the meaning of Section 37A of the Act for the reasons and considerations set out below.

REASONS AND CONSIDERATIONS

Having regard to the nature and scale of the proposed healthcare facility and to the national and regional policy context, it is considered that the proposed development of a new in-patient mental health facility, facilitating c.200 no. inpatient beds, with c.14 no. adolescent beds 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.

An application for permission for the proposed development must therefore be made directly to An Bord Pleanála under Section 37E of the Act.

The applicant shall be advised that the application documentation should be forwarded to the following prescribed bodies which are considered relevant in this instance

- Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage
- Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications
- South Dublin County Council
- National Transport Authority
- Transport Infrastructure Ireland
- An Taisce
- Fáilte Ireland
- Heritage Council
- An Chomhairle Ealaíon
- Irish Water
- Commission for Regulation of Utilities
- Inland Fisheries Ireland
- Health Service Executive

Further notifications should also be made, where deemed appropriate.

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Commissioner:

Date: 06/01/2026

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