



An  
Coimisiún  
Pleanála

**Direction**  
**ABP-322779-25**

The submissions on this file and the Inspector's report were considered at a meeting held on 23/01/2026.

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

Commission Order as follows:-

**WHEREAS** a question has arisen as to whether the proposed painting of the external window frames, doors, and part of the cladding on all elevations from the existing blue colour to the proposed grey colour is or is not development or is or is not exempted development.

**AND WHEREAS** Cantrouk Ltd, requested a declaration on this question from Dun Laoghaire Rathdown County Council, and the Council issued a declaration on the day of 20<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2025 stating that the matter is development and is not exempted development.

**AND WHEREAS** Cantrouk Ltd referred this declaration for review to An Coimisiún Pleanála, on the 16<sup>th</sup> day of June, 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) Section 4(1)(h) of the Planning and Development Act, 2000, as amended,
- (d) article 6(1) and article 9(1) of the Planning and Development Regulations, 2001, as amended,
- (e) Class 12, Part 1 of Schedule 2 to the Planning and Development Regulations, 2001, as amended,
- (f) the planning history of the site, including Condition 22 of Reg Ref 89A/2308
- (g) the nature, scale, and extent of the proposed works as set out in the documentation submitted with the referral
- (h) the pattern of development in the area which is varied in typology, scale, form and range of colours within the area of the office park:

**AND WHEREAS** An Coimisiún Pleanála has concluded that:

- (a) The painting of the external window frames, doors, and part of the cladding on all elevations from the existing blue colour to the proposed dark grey colour RAL 7021 comprises an act of alteration and renewal, and constitutes works;
- (b) In agreeing with the Planning Authority, the proposed painting of the external window frames, doors and part of the cladding on all elevations does not materially affect the external appearance of the structure so as to render the appearance inconsistent with the character of the structure or of neighbouring structures and is exempt development under section 4(1)(h), and,
- (c) The restrictions under article 9 of the regulations do not apply and the works are exempted development under Class 12 of Part 1 of Schedule 2.

**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 painting of the external window frames, doors, and part of the

cladding on all elevations from the existing blue colour to the proposed grey colour of Unit 3 and 4 is development and is exempted development.

**Planning**

**Commissioner:**

**Date:** 23/01/2026

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