

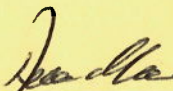
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**Direction**  
**CD-021320-25**  
**ACP-322793-25**

The submissions on this file and the Inspector's report were considered at a meeting held on 18/11/2025.

The Commission decided to grant permission generally in accordance with the Inspector's recommendation, for the following reasons and considerations, and subject to the following conditions.

**Planning Commissioner:**

  
Declan Moore

**Date:** 18/11/2025

### **DRAFT WORDING FOR ORDER**

#### **Reasons and Considerations**

Having regard to

- a) a High Court Order, perfected on 27 March 2025, that quashed Condition 8(d) of the Commission's decision with respect to ABP 313939-22 and remitted the matter back to the Commission for a fresh determination,
- b) submissions received in response to the Commission's request under Section 131 of the Planning and Development Act 2000 (as amended) advising all parties of the quash and remittal of the appeal file and inviting them to make any further submissions in relation to the appeal,

- c) no changes with respect to the planning history at the site since the Commission's Order on 4<sup>th</sup> December 2024,
- d) no changes to the Waterford City and County Development Plan 2022-2028, national guidance on Quarries, the EPA Guidelines on Environmental Management in the Extractive Industry and guidance on Noise for Licence Applications that might impact the Commission's Order on 4<sup>th</sup> December 2024.
- e) the National Planning Framework (NPF) First Revision, adopted in April 2025 after the Commission's 4<sup>th</sup> December 2024 decision on this appeal. Noting that National Policy Objective (NPO) 30, replaced NPO 23 of the NPF, both of which support the development of the rural economy, in a manner consistent with the national climate objective, through supporting sustainable and economically efficient industries including extractive industries, and NPO 65 was replaced by NPO 94 in the First Revision of the NPF, both of which promote the proactive management of noise where it is likely to have significant adverse impacts on health and quality of life and supports the aims of the Environmental Noise Regulations through national planning guidance and Noise Action Plans.

The Commission decided that condition 8 (d) under reference ABP 313939-22 be worded as follows:

Blasting shall not occur more than thirty times in any 12-month period and shall be confined to between 1100 hours and 1500 hours Monday to Friday only.

**Reason:** In the interest of residential amenity.