

Mr Kieran Somers
Executive Officer
An Bord Pleanála
64 Marlborough Street
Dublin 1

ABP Ref.: 17.PC0221

Date: 27th February 2017

Re: Consultation under Section 37B of the Planning and Development Act, as amended, in

respect of a proposed use of alternative fuels development by Irish Cement Limited at

Platin Cement Works, County Meath.

Response to Recording of 3rd Meeting

Dear Mr. Somers,

We acknowledge receipt of the written recording dated 12th January 2017, of the 3rd pre-application consultation meeting held on 21st December 2017. The following provides follow-up on the Recording of the 3rd Meeting and on a request by the Board for information on consultations to date.

COMMENT ON RECORDING OF 3RD MEETING

We wish to draw the Board's attention to a clarification of the Record under **Application to Meath County Council** (page 3 of 7), where we believe that the prospective applicant correctly stated that...they were unaware of the correct term for the current status of the application, but the application has neither been refused nor withdrawn'.

CONSULTATIONS

As recorded on page 4 of 7 of the Recording of the Meeting No. 3, the Board asked if the prospective applicant might provide a list of those it consulted with to date and others with whom they propose to consult.

1. <u>Consultations-to-date</u>

Prior to lodgement of the original application with Meath County Council (**February to November 2015**), Irish Cement Ltd. consulted with:

- Planning, Environment, Roads and Conservation departments of Meath County Council;
- The Environmental Protection Agency;
- The Eastern-Midlands Office of the Regional Waste Authority;
- Employees of Irish Cement Limited at Platin;
- General public / local neighbours (including holding of 3 open days in October 2015)
- Local Representatives

During the course of responding to the Request for Further Information issued by Meath County Council (21ST January 2016), ICL undertook additional consultation between **January and March 2016** with:

- Planning and Environment departments of Meath County Council;
- The Environmental Protection Agency;
- The Eastern-Midlands Office of the Regional Waste Authority;
- Iarnród Éireann.

Between **June 2016 and February 2017** Irish Cement has had on-going / further consultation with Meath County Council; Louth County Council; The Environmental Protection Agency; The Eastern-Midlands Office of the Regional Waste Authority, and with An Bord Pleanála (3 No. pre-application consultation meetings to date).

2. Further Proposed Consultation

Irish Cement Ltd. intends to consult further with:

- Louth County Council
- Minister for Arts, Heritage, Regional, Rural and Gaeltacht Affairs (NPWS)
- Minister for Arts, Heritage, Regional, Rural and Gaeltacht Affairs (National Monuments)
- Minister for Department of Transport, Tourism and Sport
- Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment
- Inland Fisheries
- An Taisce
- Irish Water
- Fáilte Ireland
- larnród Éireann
- Transport Infrastructure Ireland
- The Heritage Council
- Irish Aviation Authority
- Health Service Executive
- Health and Safety Authority

In addition, Irish Cement will consult further with its employees, neighbours, general public and local representatives and will also hold additional public information opportunities at Platin Cement Works.

We trust that the above is in order, however please do not hesitate to contact me should you require any further information.

Yours sincerely,

Brady Shipman Martin

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