

Planning and Development Acts, 2000 to 2020

Planning Authority: Leitrim County Council

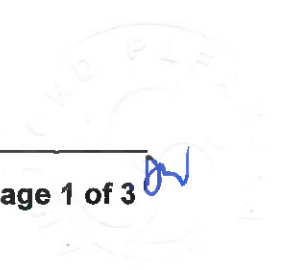
Application by Des Guckian requesting An Bord Pleanála to exercise its powers under article 250(3)(b) of the Planning and Development Regulations, 2001, as amended, whether Leitrim County Council should be directed to prepare a Natura impact statement in respect of the proposed public realm improvement scheme to enhance existing streetscapes within the town of Mohill, County Leitrim.

Decision

Direct the local authority not to prepare a Natura impact statement in respect of the proposed development, based on the reasons and considerations set out below.

Matters Considered

In making its decision, the Board had regard to those matters to which, by virtue of the Planning and Development Acts and Regulations made thereunder, it was required to have regard.




Reasons and Considerations

Having regard to:

- (a) the Planning and Development Regulations 2001, as amended,
- (b) the nature and limited scale of the proposed development,
- (c) the location of the proposed development outside of any European designated Sites,
- (d) the separation distance between the proposed development and the European Sites at the closest points,
- (e) the absence of identified hydrological connections between the proposed development and European Sites,
- (f) the lack of in-combination effects arising from other proposed and permitted development in the vicinity,
- (g) the submissions made to the Board including the initial request and the local authority's response, and
- (h) the report and recommendation of the inspector,

it is considered reasonable to conclude that, on the basis of the information available which is considered adequate to issue a screening determination, the proposed development, either individually or in combination with other plans or projects would not be likely to have a significant effect on Cloneen Bog Special Area of Conservation (Site Code: 002348), Lough Forbes Complex Special Area of Conservation (Site Code: 001818) or Ballykenny-Fisherstown Bog Special Protection Area (Site Code: 004101), or any other European Site, in view of the sites' conservation objectives and, therefore, a Stage 2 Appropriate Assessment and the

submission of a Natura impact statement for the proposed development is not required.



Dave Walsh
Member of An Bord Pleanála
duly authorised to authenticate
the seal of the Board.



Dated this *2nd* day of *June* 2021