



Planning and Development Acts 2000 to 2021

Planning Authority: Galway County Council

Application for Leave to Apply For Substitute Consent by M&M Caireal Teoranta care of Earth Science Partnership (Ireland) Limited of Tonranny, Westport, County Mayo.

Development: Quarry at Ballynahallia, Moycullen, County Galway.

Decision

REFUSE leave to apply for substitute consent under section 177D of the Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended, 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. Such matters included any submissions and observations received by it in accordance with statutory provisions.

Reasons and Considerations

Having regard to the limited size and scale of the extraction area outside the permitted quarry area (An Bord Pleanála planning reference number PL07.SU0084) which was carried out subsequent to 1st February 1990 and which is significantly below the mandatory threshold for Environmental Impact Assessment, together with the nature of the receiving environment, it is considered that an environmental impact assessment, or determination for same, would not have been necessary or warranted in this instance.

Furthermore, having regard to the separation distance between the quarry operation and Ross Lake and Woods Special Area of Conservation (Site Code: 001312), Lough Corrib Special Area of Conservation (Site Code: 000297) and Lough Corrib Special Protection Area (Site Code: 004042), the lack of direct effects thereon resulting from the quarry operations, and the lack of any known pathways linking potential pollutants arising from the quarry operations that could indirectly effect the Special Areas of Conservations or Special Protection Area, it is considered that an appropriate assessment arising from development that was carried out on this 400m² quarry site subsequent to 26th February 1997 would not have been necessary or warranted in this instance. In these circumstances, a need for substitute consent does not apply.



Michelle Fagan

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

Dated this 16th day of February 2022

