

## Board Order ABP-313521-22

Planning and Development Acts, 2000 to 2021

Planning Authority: Wexford County Council

APPLICATION by Jim Hurley of Grange, Kilmore, County Wexford requesting An Bord Pleanála to consider and determine, in accordance with its powers under article 120(3)(a) of the Planning and Development Regulations, 2001, as amended, whether Wexford County Council should be directed to prepare an Environmental Impact Assessment Report in respect of a proposed development to carry out works along the eastern side of Fethard Harbour, New Ross, County Wexford. The works involve the construction of a new concrete deck, access ramp and steps to beach, and slipway that will provide adequate launching facilities and turning area for the RNLI lifeboat to be used at all levels of tide.

## DECISION

NOT TO DIRECT the local authority to prepare an Environmental Impact
Assessment Report in respect of the said proposed development based on the
reasons and considerations set out below.

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## REASONS AND CONSIDERATIONS

Having regard to the following:

- (a) the criteria set out in Schedule 7 of the Planning and Development Regulations 2001, as amended,
- (b) the nature and limited scale of the development,
- (c) the limited potential for significant effects on the environment,
- (d) the submission of the referrer, and
- (e) the submission of the planning authority,

it is considered that the proposed development would not be likely to have significant effects on the environment and, accordingly, that the preparation and submission of an Environmental Impact Assessment Report is not, therefore, required.

Taking account of the conclusion of the Appropriate Assessment Screening Report and the Stage 2 Appropriate Assessment, it is considered that the impacts likely to arise including potential impacts on European sites and the likely consequences for the proper planning and sustainable development of the area arising from impacts on the landscape, visual amenities, architectural, archaeological and cultural heritage, can be addressed in a section 177AE application to the Board.

Dave Walsh

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

Dated this 26 day of September 2022