An Bord Pleanála

Board Order
ABP-319279-24

Planning and Development Acts, 2000 to 2022

Planning Authority: Cork County Council

APPLICATION by Heather Smith, Mount Eagle, Mitchelstown, County Cork, requesting An Bord Pleanála to consider and determine, in accordance with its powers under article 120(3)(c) of the Planning and Development Regulations, 2001, as amended, whether Cork County Council should be directed to prepare an Environmental Impact Assessment Report in respect of the proposed redesign and construction works to the existing N72/R639 junction at Christ Church, Fermoy, County Cork.

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.
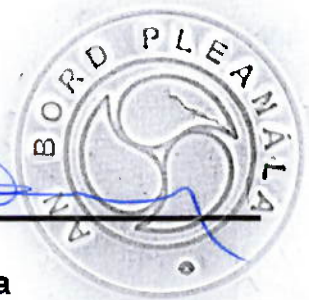
REASONS AND CONSIDERATIONS

Having regard to:

(a)   the criteria set out in Schedule 7 and the information provided in Schedule 7A of the Planning and Development Regulations 2001, as amended,

(b)   the limited nature and scale of the proposed development which is under the threshold in respect of Class 10 (b) (iv) (Infrastructure – Urban Development) of the Planning and Development Regulations 2001, as amended,

(c)   the location of the site on lands zoned in the Cork County Development Plan 2022-2028, the built-up area served by existing public infrastructure and the existing pattern of development in the vicinity,

(d)   the limited potential for significant impacts arising from the proposed development,

(e)   the submission made by the local authority,

(f)   the submissions made by the applicant requesting a determination, and

(g)   the report and recommendation of the Inspector,

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

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

Dated this 3rd day of July 2024