



Planning and Development Acts 2000 to 2022

Planning Authority: Cork City Council.

Planning Register Reference Number: R85524.

WHEREAS a question has arisen as to whether the proposed change of use of former medical centre to temporary hostel use, to accommodate displaced persons or persons seeking international protection is or is not development or is or is not exempted development and works consisting of; replacement of a window with two new windows, blocking up of a door, removal of a window and its replacement with a new door is or is not development or is or is not exempted development:

AND WHEREAS Thomas J. Carroll requested a declaration on this question from Cork City Council on the 4th June 2024 and the Council did not issue a declaration:

AND WHEREAS Cork City Council referred this declaration for review to An Bord Pleanála on the 18th day of July, 2024:

AND WHEREAS Thomas J. Carroll referred this declaration for review to An Bord Pleanála on the 29th day of July, 2024:

AND WHEREAS An Bord Pleanála, in considering this referral, had regard particularly to -

- (a) Section 2(1), 3(1) and 4(1)(h) of the Planning and Development Act, 2000, as amended,
- (b) Section 181 of the Planning and Development Act, 2000, as amended, and SI 306/2022 'European Union (Planning and Development) (Displaced Persons From Ukraine Temporary Protection) Regulations 2022,
- (c) articles 6(1), 9(1) and 10(1), SI number 306/2022 and SI number 376/2023 of the Planning and Development Regulations, 2001, as amended,
- (d) Class 20F of Part 1 of Schedule 2 to the Planning and Development Regulations, 2001, as amended,
- (e) the planning history of the site,
- (f) the pattern of development in the area
- (g) the report and recommendation of the planning Inspector:

AND WHEREAS An Bord Pleanála has concluded that -

- (a) the proposed change of use from the former use as medical consulting rooms to temporary use to accommodate displaced persons and/or persons seeking International Protection is development which is exempted development, and

- (b) works consisting of; replacement of a window with two new windows, blocking up of a door, removal of a window and its replacement with a new door is development which is exempt development:

NOW THEREFORE An Bord Pleanála, in exercise of the powers conferred on it by section 5(1), section 5(3)(b) and section 5(4) of the 2000 Act, hereby decides that the proposed change of use of former medical centre to temporary hostel use, to accommodate displaced persons or persons seeking international protection is development and is exempted development and works consisting of; replacement of a window with two new windows, blocking up of a door, removal of a window and its replacement with a new door is development which is exempt development.



Mick Long

Member of An Bord Pleanála

**duly authorised to authenticate
the seal of the Board.**

Dated this 20th day of November 2024.