

An
Coimisiún
Pleanála

Commission Order ACP-323786-25

Planning and Development Act, 2000, as amended

Planning Authority: Cavan County Council

(Associated application reference number: ABP-319306-24)

REQUEST received by An Coimisiún Pleanála on the 29th day of September 2025 from Cavan County Council under Section 146B of the Planning and Development Act, 2000, as amended, to alter the terms of a strategic infrastructure development, granted under ABP-319306-24 for the development of the Cavan Regional Sports Campus in the townlands of Kilnavara, Lurganboy (Loughtee Upper By), Creighan and Rosscolgan in Cavan Town, County Cavan.

WHEREAS the Commission made a decision to approve the proposed development, subject to conditions, for the above-mentioned development by order dated the 1st day of November 2024,

AND WHEREAS the proposed alterations are described as follows:

- (a) The relocation of the approved Electricity Supply Board substation (Number 1) from its approved location adjacent to the south-western corner of the proposed sports arena to the front (southeast) of the main sports complex building.
- (b) The provision of an additional Electricity Supply Board substation (Number 2) along the western boundary of the site, adjacent to the approved sand mattress Gaelic Athletic Association fields.

- (c) The slight widening of the pedestrian path from the main access road to the Electricity Supply Board substation Number 2, to facilitate Electricity Supply Board maintenance vehicular access.

AND WHEREAS having regard to the issues involved, the Commission decided, in accordance with section 146B(2)(b) of the Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended, not to invite submissions or observations from the public in relation to the matter,

AND WHEREAS the Commission decided, in accordance with section 146B(3)(a) of the Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended, that the proposed alterations would not result in the making of a material alteration to the terms of the development, the subject of the approval,

AND WHEREAS having considered all of the documents on file and the Inspector's report, the Commission considered that the making of the proposed alterations would not be likely to have significant effects on the environment or on any European Site,

NOW THEREFORE in accordance with section 146B(3)(a) of the Planning and Development Act, 2000, as amended, the Commission hereby alters the above mentioned decision so that the approved development shall be altered in accordance with the plans and particulars received by An Coimisiún Pleanála on the 29th day of September 2025, for the reasons and considerations set out below.



REASONS AND CONSIDERATIONS

In coming to its decision, the Commission had regard to the following:

- (a) the limited nature, scale and extent of the proposed alterations, when considered in the context of the overall development permitted under ABP 319306-24,

- (b) the location of the proposed alterations, which are contained within the footprint of the permitted development, and within the red line boundary of the site,
- (c) the absence of any significant new or additional environmental impacts arising as a result of the proposed alterations,
- (d) the conclusion of the Inspector that the proposed alterations would not be likely to have significant effects on the environment and that an environmental impact assessment screening determination is not required,
- (e) the conclusion of the Inspector that the proposed alterations would not be likely to have significant effects on any European Site, either alone or in combination with other plans or projects, and that a Stage 2 Appropriate Assessment is not required,
- (f) the documentation on file, and,
- (g) the report of the Inspector, which is adopted.

It is considered that the proposed alterations would not constitute a material alteration to the terms of the development permitted under ABP-309316-24. In accordance with Section 146B(3)(a) of the Planning and Development Act, 2000, as amended, the Commission hereby makes the said alterations.



Chris McGarry

**Member of An Coimisiún Pleanála
duly authorised to authenticate
the seal of the Commission.**

Dated this 14th day of January 2026