



An
Coimisiún
Pleanála

Commission Order ACP-323891-25

Local Government (No. 2) Act, 1960

Housing Act, 1966

Planning and Development Acts, 2000, as amended

Planning Authority: Limerick City and County Council

Application received by An Coimisiún Pleanála on the 21st day of November 2025 from Uisce Éireann pursuant to section 76 of, and the Third Schedule to, the Housing Act, 1966 as extended by section 10 of the Local Government (No.2) Act, 1960 (as substituted by section 86 of the Housing Act, 1966) and the Planning and Development Acts, 2000 , as amended, for confirmation of a Compulsory Purchase Order authorising compulsory acquisition of lands and entitled **Uisce Éireann Compulsory Purchase (Adare Rationalisation) Order, 2025.**

DECISION

CONFIRM the above Compulsory Purchase Order based on the reasons and considerations set out below.

REASONS AND CONSIDERATIONS

Having considered the objection made to the Compulsory Purchase Order, the written submissions and observations made at the oral hearing held on the 18th day of February 2026, the report of the Inspector who conducted the oral hearing into the objection, the purpose for which the lands are to be acquired as set out in the Compulsory Purchase Order, which is to advance the Adare Rationalisation Project, and also having regard to the following:

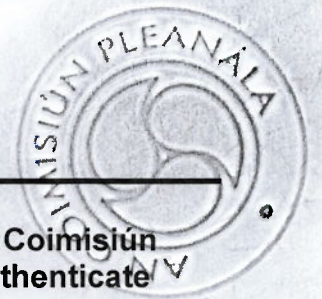
- (a) the Constitutional and European Human Rights Convention protection afforded to property rights,
- (b) the strategic importance of the scheme in the context of addressing the current situation whereby the existing Water Treatment Plant in Adare is approaching its end of life, and Uisce Eireann's wish to extend the water supply from Castletroy Newcastle Towers in Limerick to Adare Reservoir to address the treatment risks associated with the Adare supply and enable the removal of the Water Supply Zone from the Environmental Protection Agency's remedial action list,
- (c) the identified community need, public interest served and overall benefits to be achieved from the proposed development,
- (d) the design response which has been appropriately tailored to the identified need,
- (e) the suitability of the lands and the necessity of their acquisition to facilitate the Adare Rationalisation Project,
- (f) the policies and objectives of the Limerick Development Plan 2022-2028 and the Adare Local Area Plan 2024-2030, which are not materially contravened, and
- (g) the report and recommendation of the Inspector,

it is considered that the acquisition of the lands in question for a permanent wayleave and temporary rights, as set out in the Order, Schedule, and on the deposited maps by Uisce Éireann, is necessary for the stated purpose, which is a legitimate objective being pursued in the public interest, and that the Compulsory Purchase Order and its effects on the property rights of affected landowners are proportionate to that objective and justified by the exigencies of the common good.

In reaching this conclusion, An Coimisiún Pleanála agrees with and adopts the analysis contained in the report of the person who conducted the oral hearing into the objection.

Marie O'Connor

Marie O'Connor
Planning Commissioner of An Coimisiún
Pleanála duly authorised to authenticate
the seal of the Commission.



Dated this *08th* day of *April* 2026