Inspector's Report

ACP-324499-26

Development	'Point of Detail' in relation to Section 48 Condition of ABP-320354-24.
Location	In the townlands of Ridge, Agharue, Coolnakisha and Seskinrea, Co. Carlow.
Planning Authority	Carlow Co. Co.
Planning Authority Reg. Ref.	2460122
Referrer	EDF Renewables Ireland Limited
Type of Application	Point of Detail Referral
Type of Appeal	First Party
Inspector	Conor McGrath ADP

1.0 Introduction

This report relates to a referral under s.34(5) of the Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended, in respect of condition no. 24 of An Coimisiún Pleanála decision ref ABP-340354-24. Section 34(5) provides that where a condition requires that points of detail be agreed between the planning authority and the developer, but agreement cannot be reached, the matter may be referred to the Commission for its determination.

2.0 Description of Site and Proposed Development

The referral site is located within the townlands of Ridge, Agharue, Coolnakisha and Seskinrea County Carlow, adjacent to the boundaries with Co. Kilkenny and Co. Laois. The site is located approximately 3.1km northwest of Oldleighlin in County Carlow and 9.9 km southeast of Castlecomer, Co. Kilkenny.

The subject development comprises the proposed Seskin Wind Farm, previously granted permission under ref ACP-340354-24. All development components, including 7 wind turbines, a Battery Energy Storage System (BESS), a 38kV Substation, grid connection route (2km) and other associated works are located within Co. Carlow. While the development was subject to a design flexibility opinion, overall turbine blade tip height of the proposed 7 No. turbines will range between 179.5 and 180m and the development will have an estimated installed capacity of 46.2MW.

Development associated with the wind energy development within Co. Kilkenny, including an underground grid connection and works to the turbine delivery route, was separately permitted under ACP reference ABP-322225-25.

3.0 The Relevant Decision

3.1. Decision

Under PA ref. 2460122 Carlow County Council originally decided to refuse permission for the wind energy development. On subsequent appeal to the Commission under ABP-340354-24, it was decided on 27/11/2025 to grant permission for the proposed development subject to 24 no. conditions. Condition no. 24. Required the following:

24. The developer shall pay to the planning authority a financial contribution in respect of public infrastructure and facilities benefiting development in the area of the planning authority that is provided or intended to be provided by or on behalf of the authority in accordance with the terms of the Development Contribution Scheme made under section 48 of the Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended. The contribution shall be paid prior to commencement of development or in such phased payments as the planning authority may facilitate and shall be subject to any applicable indexation provisions of the Scheme at the time of payment. Details of the application of the terms of the Scheme shall be agreed between the planning authority and the developer or, in default of such agreement, the matter shall be referred to An Coimisiún Pleanála to determine the proper application of the terms of the Scheme.

Reason: It is a requirement of the Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended, that a condition requiring a contribution in accordance with the Development Contribution Scheme made under section 48 of the Act be applied to the permission.

3.2. Planning Authority Reports

Internal technical reports from the following sections of the planning authority were prepared in respect of the original planning application under PA ref. 2460122:

- Planning Reports
- Transportation
- Environment
- Fire Authority

These technical reports did not contain any detail on the calculation of development contributions or the application of the Carlow County Development Contribution Scheme.

3.3. Prescribed Bodies

Submissions on the original application from the following prescribed bodies did not contain any detail on the calculation of development contributions or the application of the Carlow County Development Contribution Scheme.

- Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage
- HSE
- IAA
- Kilkenny Co. Co.

4.0 **Post-Decision Correspondence**

- Following the grant of permission on appeal, Carlow Co. Co. issued notice to the developer on 25/05/2026 that the applicable development contribution under condition no. 24 was €974,400, calculated as follows:

Carlow Development Contribution Scheme 202502029 (Revised 1st Jan 2026)

Section 16 - Schedule of Contributions – Class 22 Wind energy

Description	**No. of units**	**Rate of Charge per Unit**	**Total**
Turbine Tip Height over 100m	7 no.	€60,000	€420,000
MW Output	46.2	€12,000	€554,400
Total			€974,400

- On 17th June 2026, the developer requested a review of the contribution amount sought.
- On 21st July, Carlow Co. Co. responded and confirmed that that "further to a review of same by the Planning Authority and in accordance with the Development Contribution Scheme 2025 - 2029 (revised January 2026) - Section 16, Class 22, the following levies are applicable.

  €12,380 per MW, with the following add-ons:

  a) Turbine Tip Height 75 to 100m €30,960 (Per Turbine)

  b) Turbine Tip Height over 100 m MW €61,920 (Per Turbine)

5.0 Relevant Planning History

Appeal ref. ABP-320354-24 and ABP-322225-25 relate to the parent permission for this wind energy development, and associated facilitating works granted permission on 27/11/2025.

No other relevant wind energy cases since the adoption of the Carlow County Council Development Contribution Scheme 2025 – 2029 are identified.

6.0 Relevant Policy Context

6.1. Carlow County Development Plan 2022-2028

Chapter 7 addresses Climate Action and Energy. The aim is "to combat climate change and its impacts in the County by promoting and supporting policies and objectives which contribute towards a transition to a low carbon and climate resilient future, and which focus on reducing greenhouse gas emissions and energy demands through appropriate and effective climate mitigation and adaptation measures."

Chapter 16 deals with Development Management Standards

16.17.1 Development Contributions

Section 48 of the Planning and Development Act 2000 (as amended) allows the Planning Authority when granting planning permission to include conditions requiring the payment of a financial contribution in respect of public infrastructure and facilities benefitting development in the area of the planning authority and that is provided, or that it is intended will be provided, by or on behalf of a local authority. The current Carlow County Development Contributions Scheme 2017 – 2021 sets out the contributions applicable to development, the scheme or an updated scheme adopted should be consulted in advance of the making of a planning application.

16.17.2 General Development Contributions

These contributions apply in respect of public infrastructure and facilities provided by or on behalf of the Planning Authority that benefit development in its functional area, as noted above. Section 48 (1) of the Act outlines that a Planning Authority when making a grant of

permission, may include a condition requiring the payment of a contribution in respect of public infrastructure and facilities such as open spaces, community and recreational facilities and amenities and landscaping works; infrastructure to facilitate public transport, cycle and pedestrian facilities; refurbishment, upgrading, enlargement or replacement of roads and surface water drainage infrastructure.

6.2. **Carlow County Council Development Contribution Scheme 2025 – 2029**

Adopted: 14th July 2025 Effective:1st August 2025

Revised 1st January 2026

Section 6. Basis for Determination of the Development Contribution Scheme

The primary objective of the development contribution scheme is to encourage economic activity while partly funding the provision of essential public infrastructure, without which development could not proceed.

The basis for determining the contributions to be paid in respect of public infrastructure and facilities is calculated having regard to the following:

a) A review of the Carlow County Council Development Contribution Scheme 2017 – 2021, as extended and those of neighbouring local authorities.

b) The estimated cost to the Council of providing further public infrastructure and facilities.

c) The estimated number of units and floor area of projected development for residential and industrial/commercial classes for the period 2025 to 2029.

Section 8.0 identifies categories of development exempted from the requirements to pay development contributions under this scheme.

8.5 Renewable Energy

a) One single domestic turbine being provided within the curtilage of a dwelling that the turbine is supplying will be exempt from development contributions.

b) Solar Panels to serve a domestic dwelling shall be exempt.

c) Renewable energy development which is not supplying electricity to the national grid including small scale renewable energy developments generating energy primarily for

onsite usage e.g. for domestic, agricultural, small industry and educational purposes where the new development does not place a demand for new, upgraded or additional infrastructure or services

Section 9.0 identifies categories of development will pay a reduced rate of development contributions as stated under the scheme.

Section 12.0 General Provisions

12.2 Indexation

The rates of contribution set out in Appendix A will be subject to the Consumer Price Index as published by the Central Statistics Office, at the discretion of the Council and be adjusted on the 1st January each year. The adjusted figure will be rounded to the nearest €10 (ten) Euro in respect of a fixed contribution and to the nearest euro per m2 in respect of charges imposed on that basis.

Section 13.0 Miscellaneous

13.8 Payment of Contributions

ii. The contributions levied under the Scheme shall be payable prior to commencement of development. The contributions payable will be based on the contribution rate in existence at the date the permission was granted. The Council will be entitled to charge interest from the date permission was granted to the actual payment date, at the rate of 5% per annum. The first 90 days of interest or part thereof will be discounted.

Section 15.0 Rate of Contributions

The rates of contributions are set out in Appendix 1.

Section 16. Appendix 1: Schedule of Contributions[1]

[1] Note: The revision to the scheme on 1st Jan 2026 increased these rates as follows:

22	Wind Energy	**MW**	€12,380
	a) Turbine Tip Height 75 to 100m	**Per Turbine**	€30,960
	b) Turbine Tip Height over 100 m	**Per Turbine**	€61,920

22	Wind Energy	**MW**	€12,000
	a) Turbine Tip Height 75 to 100m	**Per Turbine**	€30,000
	b) Turbine Tip Height over 100 m	**Per Turbine**	€60,000

6.3. **Relevant National or Regional Policy / Ministerial Guidelines**

6.3.1. **Development Management Guidelines**:

7.12 Conditions requiring development contributions

Development contribution conditions may only be attached if they accord with the provisions of either section 48 or section 49 of the Planning Act and these are based on the application of the terms of one or more development contribution schemes which have been formulated and adopted in accordance with those sections of the Act, or on the need for a special financial contribution.

Section 48 (general) schemes relate to the existing or proposed provision of public infrastructure and facilities benefiting development within the area of the planning authority and are applied as a general levy on development.

6.3.2. **Development Contributions Guidelines for Planning Authorities (January 2013)**

2. Supporting Economic Development

Key Messages - Development contributions are not cash-cows: there is an important balance to be struck between the funding of public infrastructure and the need to encourage economic activity and promote sustainable development patterns.

While it is expected that planning authorities will ensure that developers make an appropriate contribution towards the costs of public infrastructure and facilities, the local authority must ensure that it avoids levying development contributions that are excessively high – development contributions are ultimately designed to offset only a portion of the costs of public infrastructure and facilities.

Planning authorities should consider whether there are any measures open to them to support new or existing enterprises in their areas by, for example, reduced development contribution rates, deferral payments, etc.

Subject to the overriding principles of proper planning and sustainable development, adopted development contribution schemes should contribute to the promotion of sustainable development patterns, economic activity and to securing investment in capital infrastructure and economic activity. They should also reflect the reduced costs of infrastructure provision in recent years relative to when schemes were last revised.

To bring this about, planning authorities are required to include the following in their development contribution schemes (Inter alia):

- Options for reduced charges in respect of renewable energy development to promote uptake of renewable energy technologies. For example, authorities are encouraged to consider reduced or no charges in respect of renewable energy development which is not supplying electricity to the national grid. Authorities should also ensure that their schemes distinguish proportionately between large and small-scale. For example, it would be inappropriate to charge the same flat rate charge to a 6kW wind turbine as it would for a 3MW turbine.

7.0 **EIA Screening**

This case relates to a first party referral of a point of detail under condition no. 24 of the decision of the Commission to grant permission under ABP-320354-24. Having regard to the nature of the referral and the provisions of s.34(5), I conclude that the proposed development is not a project for the purposes of EIA. No mandatory requirement for EIA therefore arises and there is also no requirement for a screening determination. Refer to Form 1 in Appendix 1 of report.

8.0 **The Referral**

The first party, EDF Renewables Ireland Limited, make the following points in their referral of this point of detail:

- Under the previous Carlow County Development Contribution Scheme 2017-2021, wind farms were charged solely on a per-turbine basis (€3,615 per turbine). Other renewable

technologies, such as solar farms, were charged solely on a per-MW basis (€12,050/MW).

- Section 22 of the current Carlow County Council Development Contribution Scheme 2025-2029 sets out the applicable charge for wind energy

22 Wind Energy		**MW**	€12,000
	a) Turbine Tip Height 75 to 100m	**Per Turbine**	€30,000
	b) Turbine Tip Height over 100 m	**Per Turbine**	€60,000

- The scheme provides multiple alternative charging bases - but does not state that these charges are cumulative. There is no wording such as “per MW and per turbine,” nor any formula indicating that both should be applied together.
- The Carlow County Council invoice dated 28 May 2026 applies both the per-MW charge and the per-turbine charge, duplicating the levy for the same infrastructure.
- The charge has increased almost forty-fold to €974,400 from that under the previous Scheme.
- Following a request from the applicant, Carlow County Council confirmed that the following levies are applicable:

  €12,380 per MW, with the following add-ons:

  a) Turbine Tip Height 75 to 100m €30,960 (Per Turbine)

  b) Turbine Tip Height over 100 m €61,920 (Per Turbine)

- This is believed to be incorrect and inconsistent with the adopted scheme.
- As agreement has not been reached with the planning authority, the Commission is requested to determine the proper application of the Development Contribution Scheme 2025–2029, including:
  - the correct development category applicable to wind energy infrastructure,
  - whether the listed charging bases are alternative or cumulative,
  - the appropriate rate(s) to be applied,
  - the correct treatment of indexation,

- and any relevant exemptions or adjustments.

- A clear determination is essential to ensure transparency, consistency, and compliance with the terms of the adopted Scheme.

8.1. Planning Authority Response

On 18th August, Carlow Co. Co. responded to the referral, noting the following points:

- The contribution was calculated in accordance with Section 16 Class 22 of the Carlow County Council Development Contribution Scheme 2025-2029 (revised Jan 2026), which states:

  €12,380 per MW

  a) Turbine Tip Height 75-100m €30,960 (Per Turbine)

  b) Turbine Tip Height over 100m €61,920 (Per Turbine)

- The intended charge as set out in the scheme, and as applied, imposes both a charge on the MW output of wind energy development plus a change per turbine.

- The charge imposed is correct and is in accordance with the adopted scheme (revised Jan 2026).

9.0 Prescribed Bodies:

An observation on this Point of Detail Referral was received from the Dept. of Defence, on 31/08/2026, which relates to the proposal for a wind energy project on the subject lands. The observation notes the following:

- Cumulative renewable energy development has the potential to impact on Air Corps operations.

- The development may impact Air Corps ability to access regional areas to the south and southwest particularly in poor weather conditions.

- Obstacle lighting should be included by condition for any permitted wind turbines.

10.0 Assessment

10.1. Section 34(5)

This report relates to a referral under s.35(5)(a) of the Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended, in respect of condition no. 3 of planning authority reference 2460586.

S.34(5) states as follows:

(5) The conditions under subsection (1) may provide that points of detail relating to a grant of permission be agreed between the planning authority and the person carrying out the development and, accordingly—

(a) where for that purpose that person has submitted to the planning authority concerned such points of detail, then that authority shall, within 8 weeks of those points being so submitted, or such longer period as may be agreed between them in writing, either—

(i) reach agreement with that person on those points, or

(ii) where that authority and that person cannot so agree on those points, that authority may—

(I) advise that person accordingly in writing, or

(II) refer the matter to the Board for its determination,

and, where clause (I) applies, that person may, within 4 weeks of being so advised, refer the matter to the Board for its determination,

In terms of compliance with the requirements of s.34(5), I note the following:

- Grant of permission on appeal on 27/11/2025.
- Carlow Co. Co. issued a notice to the developer on 28/05/2026 advising of the application contribution.
- On 17th June 2026, the developer requested a review of the contribution amount sought.
- On 21st July Carlow Co. Co. responded and confirmed that the levies were in accordance with the Development Contribution Scheme 2025 - 2029 (revised January

2026). The planning authority advise that this is the letter informing the applicant that no agreement can be reached.

- The subject Point of Detail referral was received on 05/08/2026.

While the planning authority communication of 21/07/2026 does not expressly state that the authority and the developer cannot agree on those points of detail, I consider that the nature and timing of correspondence satisfies the requirements of S.34(5).

10.2. **Scope of Assessment**

Condition no. 24 of the Commission decision to grant permission under ABP-320354-244 requires the following:

> 24. The developer shall pay to the planning authority a financial contribution in respect of public infrastructure and facilities benefiting development in the area of the planning authority that is provided or intended to be provided by or on behalf of the authority **in accordance with the terms of the Development Contribution Scheme** made under section 48 of the Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended. The contribution shall be paid prior to commencement of development or in such phased payments as the planning authority may facilitate and shall be subject to any applicable indexation provisions of the Scheme at the time of payment. **Details of the application of the terms of the Scheme shall be agreed between the planning authority and the developer** or, in default of such agreement, the matter shall be referred to An Coimisiún Pleanála to determine the proper application of the terms of the Scheme.

The point of detail to be referred to the Commission in this case is the application of the terms of the adopted development contribution scheme to the proposed development. The relevant scheme is that in place at the date of the decision of Commission. The appropriateness or reasonableness of the terms of the adopted scheme are not within scope of this referral, notwithstanding points raised in the first party referral.

10.3. Application of the Carlow County Development Contribution Scheme 2025-2029

10.3.1. Relevant Contribution Rates

The 2025 development contribution scheme was in place at the date of the decision of the Commission in November 2025 and is the applicable scheme.

In accordance with the indexation provisions of the scheme (section 12.2), the contribution rates were revised on 1st January 2026. The original Carlow Co. Co. notice of 28/05/2026 was based on the adopted scheme (Aug 2025), however, the clarification provided by Carlow County Council on 21/07/2026 increased the contribution amounts to reflect the indexed rates as of 1st Jan 2026.

In accordance with section 13.8 of the Contribution scheme, contributions payable are to be calculated based on the contribution rate in existence at the date the permission was granted. In this instance the relevant date is the Commission grant of permission on 27/11/2025. Accordingly, the contribution rates cited in the PA Notice of May 2026 prior to indexation are the relevant rates. The contribution rates cited in the PA response to the applicants on 21/07/2026 and in their response to the referral, which incorporate indexation on 01/01/2026, are considered to be incorrect.

10.3.2. Application of the Relevant Contribution Rates

The key issue in dispute between the parties is whether development contributions under the scheme are to be applied on either:

- A MW **or** Per Turbine basis, or
- On the basis of a MW payment **plus** a payment per turbine.

Wind Energy is dealt with as one Class of development (no. 22) in the adopted scheme. The Scheme provides for a per MW contribution of €12,000 before indexation. It also provides for a contribution per turbine dependent on the height of the turbine of €30,000 – €60,000. The scheme is not explicit, however, whether these contributions are to be applied together or exclusively. I note that no other class of development in the scheme is subject to this approach to the calculation of contributions. For example, solar energy development is subject to a payment per MW only.

I concur with the first party that the wording / format of the scheme could be clearer in this regard. I do not consider, however, that the scheme provides an explicit basis for concluding that the MW and turbine rates are "alternative charging bases" as argued by the first party.

Within Class 22, the scheme clearly includes out both parameters for calculating contributions, with no exclusionary clause. On the basis that every turbine has a MW output, the referrers case would only be supported if the scheme had incorporated a clause such as "*whichever is greater*" in the application of these contributions, which it clearly does not. In the absence of such clause, I consider that the scheme must be read as drafted and as applying both a MW and per turbine contribution. I note the statement of the planning authority that this was intended approach in drafting the scheme.

I conclude on balance therefore that the scheme as drafted provides that contributions are charged per MW of output and per turbine. The reasonableness of the terms of the scheme as adopted, is outside the scope of this referral.

The first party argue that the approach of the PA is not consistent with the previous scheme which charged wind farms only on a per-turbine basis, however the point of detail can only be considered in terms of the current adopted development contribution scheme. The fact that this is an increase over the previous scheme, or the scale of such increase, are not relevant factors. Similarly, it must be assessed against the relevant Class of development in the scheme and not any other Class. It must be assumed that the scheme was intended to differentiate between different Classes of development for the purposes of calculating contributions.

The relevant contribution is therefore calculated as follows, based on the non-indexed rates of contributions:

Description	**No. of units**	**Rate of Charge per Unit**	**Total**
Turbine Tip Height over	7 no.	€60,000	€420,000
MW Output	46.2	€12,000	€554,400
Total			€974,400

10.4. Other Matters

I note the submission from the Dept. of Defence, however, the matters raised are out of scope of this referral which is limited to the development contributions payable under condition no. 24.

10.5. Conclusion

I conclude that:

- The relevant scheme is the Carlow County Development Contribution Scheme 2025-2029 the relevant class of development is Class 22 in the Scheme – Wind Energy.
- That the wording of the scheme is such that contributions are cumulative between MW output and turbine height.
- That Carlow Co. Co. were correct to apply both a MW and per turbine charge.
- That the application of the revised dates as of 1st Jan 2026 (indexed) is not appropriate.
- That there are no relevant exemptions or reductions available under the scheme in respect of the permitted development.
- That the relevant contribution payable is €974,400

11.0 AA Screening

This referral in respect of a point of detail has been made under the provisions of section 34(5) of the Planning and Development Act, 2000, as amended. As such, the requirements S177U of the Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended, do not apply.

12.0 Water Framework Directive

The referral has been made under the provisions of section 34(5) of the Planning and Development Act, 2000, as amended. The Commission shall therefore determine only the matters arising to be agreed under this condition. As such, the requirements under the Water Framework Directive do not apply in this instance.

13.0 Recommendation

WHEREAS by order dated the 27th November 2025, An Coimisiún Pleanála, under appeal reference PL01.320354 and Planning Authority Case Reference 2460122, granted subject to conditions a permission to EDF Renewables Ireland Limited for development comprising the construction of 7 wind turbines and all associated works in the townlands of Ridge, Agharue, Coolnakisha and Seskinrea, Co. Carlow.

AND WHEREAS Condition no. 24 attached to the said permission required a financial contribution be paid to the planning authority in accordance with the terms of the Development Contribution Scheme made under section 48 of the Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended. Details of the application of the terms of the Scheme to be agreed between the planning authority and the developer.

AND WHEREAS the applicant and the planning authority failed to agree on the above details in compliance with the terms of the said condition and the matter was referred by the applicant to An Coimisiún Pleanála on the 5th day of August 2026.

NOW THEREFORE An Coimisiún Pleanála, in exercise of the powers conferred on it by section 34(5) of the Planning and Development Act, 2000, as amended, hereby determines that the development contribution payable shall be €974,400 (Nine hundred and seventy four thousand, four hundred euros).

Reasons and Considerations

Having regard to the nature of the development the subject of the grant of permission under PL01.320354, the submissions on file, and to the terms of the Carlow County Development Contribution Scheme 2025-2029 (adopted 14th July 2025), the Commission considered that the Contribution Scheme as drafted requires the payment of development contributions in respect of Wind Energy development (Class 22) on the basis of a payment per Megawatt of output and a payment per turbine. The wording of the scheme does not permit any alternative application of the terms thereof. Furthermore, in accordance with section 13.8 of the adopted development contribution scheme, the contributions payable are to be calculated on the basis of contribution rate in existence at the date the permission was granted, rather than at the date of agreement thereon.

Matters Considered

In making its decision, the Board had regard to those matters to which, by virtue of the Planning and Development Acts and Regulations made thereunder, it was required to have regard. Such matters included any submissions and observations received by it in accordance with statutory provisions.

I confirm that this report represents my professional planning assessment, judgement and opinion on the matter assigned to me and that no person has influenced or sought to influence, directly or indirectly, the exercise of my professional judgement in an improper or inappropriate way.

Conor McGrath ADP
27/10/2026

Appendix 1: Form 1 EIA Pre-Screening

Case Reference	ACP-324499-26
Proposed Development Summary	'Point of Detail' in relation to Section 48 Condition of ABP-320354-24
Development Address	In the townlands of Ridge, Agharue, Coolnakisha and Seskinrea, Co. Carlow.
IN ALL CASES CHECK BOX / OR LEAVE BLANK	
1. Does the proposed development come within the definition of a 'Project' for the purposes of EIA?	☐ Yes, it is a 'Project'. Proceed to Q.2. ☒ No, No further action required.
(For the purposes of the Directive, "Project" means: - The execution of construction works or of other installations or schemes, - Other interventions in the natural surroundings and landscape including those involving the extraction of mineral resources)	
2. Is the proposed development of a CLASS specified in Part 1, Schedule 5 of the Planning and Development Regulations 2001 (as amended)?	
☐ Yes, it is a Class specified **in Part 1.** **EIA is mandatory. No Screening required. EIAR to**	**State the Class here**

be requested. Discuss with ADP.	
☒ No, it is not a Class specified in Part 1. Proceed to Q3	
3. Is the proposed development of a CLASS specified in Part 2, Schedule 5, Planning and Development Regulations 2001 (as amended) OR a prescribed type of proposed road development under Article 8 of Roads Regulations 1994, AND does it meet/exceed the thresholds?	
☐ No, the development is not of a Class Specified in Part 2, Schedule 5 or a prescribed type of proposed road development under Article 8 of the Roads Regulations, 1994. **No Screening required.**	
☐ Yes, the proposed development is of a Class and meets/exceeds the threshold. **EIA is Mandatory. No Screening Required**	**State the Class and state the relevant threshold**
☐ Yes, the proposed development is of a Class but is sub-threshold. **Preliminary examination required. (Form 2)** **OR** **If Schedule 7A information submitted proceed to Q4. (Form 3 Required)**	**State the Class and state the relevant threshold**

4. Has Schedule 7A information been submitted AND is the development a Class of Development for the purposes of the EIA Directive (as identified in Q3)?	
Yes ☐	Screening Determination required (Complete Form 3)
No ☒	Pre-screening determination conclusion remains as above (Q1 to Q3)

Inspector: ___Conor McGrath_____ Date: _____