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**Provision of information to members of the
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Query Number: OIR/ 26/001

Date Received: 6 January 2026

Query Subject: Planning

Deputy/Senator: Deputy Niall Collins

Language: English

Query:

Please notify me of the outcome of this appeal (500498) when decision is to hand.

Substantive Reply

Consideration of this appeal which was lodged on the 17th of December 2025, is proceeding and a decision is due by 30 April 2026. Your interest in the case has been noted, and you will be notified of the Commission's decision as soon as it is made. You can make an observation up until the 22 January 2026. This can be done online at [Observation on a planning appeal online | An Coimisiún Pleanála](#) – or in a hard copy. Please note that there is a fee of €50 for this. If you have any queries, please contact the appeals@pleanala.ie.

Query Number: OIR/ 26/002

Date Received: 12 January 2026

Query Subject: Planning

Deputy/Senator: Deputy Sean Canney

Language: English

Query:

I refer to Case Reference Number PL07500108. Can you please let me know when a decision is likely to issue on this?

Substantive Reply

I refer to your recent query received 12 January 2026 regarding case file PL-500108 GY for construction of a dwelling house at Killora , Craughwell , Co. Galway. The case file is currently with the Inspector for a report and recommendation. Once received the case file will be forwarded to the Planning Commissioners for decision and a copy of the decision will issue to all parties once decided. Consideration of this appeal which was lodged on the 21 October 2025, is proceeding and a decision is due by 04 March 2026.

Query Number: OIR/ 26/003

Date Received: 31 January 2026

Query Subject: Planning

Deputy/Senator: Charlotte O Connor

Language: English

Query:

Would be grateful if you can advise an update for Hudson Brothers on their planning applications ABP-319217-24 & ABP-319218-24, 37L Extension.

Substantive Reply

I confirm that case reference ABP-319217-24, an application for substitute consent for a quarry at Philipstown and Redbog, Co. Kildare and case reference ABP 319218-24, an application for further development under Section 37L of the Planning and Development Act 2000 at Athgarrett, Philipstown and Redbog, Co. Kildare both lodged with the Commission on 29 Feb 2024 currently have a target date of decision of before the 27 February 2026. The case files are currently with a Planning Inspector for a report and recommendation. Once the report on the cases is received, the case files will be forwarded to the Planning Commissioners for decision and a copy of the decision will issue to all parties once decided.

Query Number: OIR/26/004

Date Received: 12 January 2026

Query Subject: Planning

Deputy/Senator: Niall Collins

Language: English

Query:

I am writing to you regarding a case with An Coimisiún Pleanála, Reference: PL91.320549

Substantive Reply

I refer to your attached query dated 08 January 2026 regarding case file ABP-320549-24 for the demolition of existing annex of the existing building on site and decommissioning of existing septic tank; change of use of existing domestic house to new use as a shop, cafe and public house, along with construction of extension with internal and external modifications and all associated site works at Carrowbane Beg, Loughill, Co. Limerick. This case has now been decided by the Planning Commissioners and a copy of the decision issued on 27 January 2026 to both yourself as interested party and all parties in this case. I have attached a copy of the Commission Order for your reference. If you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Query Number: OIR/26/005

Date Received: 12 January 2026

Query Subject: Planning

Deputy/Senator: Eoin Ó Broin

Language: English

Query:

Could you provide me with the following information:

1. Today number of JRs lodged against ACP on residential developments in last 5 years (with breakdown by SHD, LRD, ordinary appeals)
2. Total number of units included in these JRs (with breakdown by SHD, LRD, ordinary appeals)
3. The number of cases lost by ACP (with breakdown of number of cases and units by SHD, LRD, ordinary appeals)
4. The number of cases conceded by ACP (with breakdown of number of cases and units by SHD, LRD, ordinary appeals)
5. The number of cases pending (with breakdown of number of cases and units by SHD, LRD, ordinary appeals)

6. The number of cases won by ACP (with breakdown of number of cases and units by SHD, LRD, ordinary appeals)

Substantive Reply

I refer to your query below dated 15 January 2026. Please find attached document displaying the information you have requested

Query Number: OIR/26/006

Date Received: 15 January 2026

Query Subject: Planning

Deputy/Senator: James O'Connor

Language: English

Query:

I write to you in relation to the above case, which was due for a decision on February 11th, 2025. I am wondering there has been a decision reached on the case yet. If not, will the decision be made shortly

Substantive Reply

I refer to your email of 15 January 2026 regarding case file: ACP-320947-24 for a house and garage/storage with associated site works at Castlemiles, Lackaroe, Youghal, Co. Waterford. The case file is currently at Commission level and having examined the case, the Commission considered that matters not previously raised in the case should be put to the parties for comment with a response date of 5 February 2026. Following receipt of any responses from the parties, the Commission will proceed to determine the case. The Commission regrets the delay on this case and a copy of the final decision order will issue to you in due course. If you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Query Number: OIR/26/009

Date Received: 15 January 2026

Query Subject: Planning

Deputy/Senator: Niamh Smyth

Language: English

Query:

My name is Cllr Rachel Hartigan, and I registered to attend the Oral Hearing for Case Reference: PA03.318943 around two weeks ago, but I never received confirmation of my registration. As the hearing is this Thursday the 22nd, I'm just checking in to make sure that there won't be any issues with my attendance. Could you confirm that my registration was successful?

Substantive Reply

Below is your query with my response attached. 1. 2. 3. Do An Coimisiún Pleanála employees have to declare their previous work history before commencing work on specific planning applications? Answer: Yes Do employees have to recuse themselves if they are

allocated a planning application where there is a potential conflict of interest / perception of a conflict of interest? Answer: Yes Is previous work history considered a conflict of interest when deciding which employees work on specific planning applications? Answer: Previous employment is considered when allocating files to employees. For detailed information on the conflict-of-interest process within An Coimisiún Pleanála, please follow this link to the Code of Conduct: [An-Coimisiun-Pleanala-Code-of-Conduct-2025_1.pdf](#) Under section 501(4) of the Planning and Development Act 2024, it is a condition of appointment/employment of persons covered by the Code that they shall comply with the Code to the extent required in its various provisions.

Query Number: OIR/26/010

Date Received: 15 January 2026

Query Subject: Planning

Deputy/Senator: Victor Boyhan

Language: English

Query:

Can you please advise when the full suite of Plean IT interactive services will be full up and running for citizens engagement with An Coimisiún Pleanála and a full schedule of the costs involve to preparing and piloting the project from its inception.

Substantive Reply

I refer to your Oireachtas query dated 23 January 2026 in follow up to our response to you from June 2025 in relation to 'on-line services'. Since June 2025 we finalised and agreed wording for a new Statutory Instrument with the Department which now facilitates the making of electronic appeals. This SI 540 of 2025 was signed by the Minister on the 12th of November 2025. We immediately commenced a pilot with agents that routinely submit appeals to test all aspects of the platform using appeals that have already been submitted, and from this the OGCIO performed an upgrade to enable larger files sizes to be uploaded. Several bugs have been discovered and cleared, with a new round of pilot testing with real appeals is due to begin the week of 23rd of February. We have reached out to agents, prescribed bodies and others to assist with the testing to minimise any potential issues that may arise following go live. Pending a successful pilot the go live date for the platform will be determined. The only costs associated with this project relate the Commissions staff's time as set out in our June response, we partnered with the Office of the Government Chief Information Office (OGCIO) to leverage the government's shared services' IT platform to develop the on-line platform for appeals.

Query Number: OIR/26/011

Date Received: 23 January 2026

Query Subject: Planning

Deputy/Senator: Ged Nash

Language: English

Query:

I would be obliged if you would let me know if it is still the intention of An Coimisiún Pleanála to issue a decision on case reference PL15.323134 on or before the 13th February, 2026?

Substantive Reply

I refer to your query of 23 January 2026 in relation to case ACP-323134-25, concerning a ten year development comprising of the demolition of existing structures on site and the construction of the first phase of a new sustainably powered enterprise campus and all associated site works. This application includes an EIAR and NIS at Premier Periclase Production Facility, Strand Road and Boyne Avenue, Drogheda, County Louth. The original date of decision for this case was 26 November 2025 in accordance with the statutory objective period of 18 weeks for decision on an appeal under section 126(2)(a) of the Planning and Development Act, 2000, as amended. Where it appears to the Commission that it would not be possible or appropriate to determine a particular appeal within this period, the Commission issues a notice to the parties in accordance with section 126(3)(a) of the Act and a target date of decision on the case is indicated in the notice. In this case, the Commission issued a notice to the parties and indicated a target date of decision as on or before 13 February 2026, however, this target date may be subject to further revision.

Query Number: OIR/26/012

Date Received: 23 January 2026

Query Subject: Planning

Deputy/Senator: Ged Nash

Language: English

Query:

I would be obliged if you would let me know if it is still the intention of An Coimisiún Pleanála to issue a decision on case reference PL15.323134 on or before the 13th February, 2026?

Substantive Reply

I refer to your query of 23 January 2026 in relation to case ACP-323134-25, concerning a ten year development comprising of the demolition of existing structures on site and the construction of the first phase of a new sustainably powered enterprise campus and all associated site works. This application includes an EIAR and NIS at Premier Periclase Production Facility, Strand Road and Boyne Avenue, Drogheda, County Louth. The original date of decision for this case was 26 November 2025 in accordance with the statutory objective period of 18 weeks for decision on an appeal under section 126(2)(a) of the Planning and Development Act, 2000, as amended. Where it appears to the Commission that it would not be possible or appropriate to determine a particular appeal within this period, the Commission issues a notice to the parties in accordance with section 126(3)(a) of the Act and a target date of decision on the case is indicated in the notice. In this case, the Commission issued a notice to the parties and indicated a target date of decision as on or before 13 February 2026, however, this target date may be subject to further revision.

Query Number: OIR/26/013

Date Received: 06 January 2026

Query Subject: Planning

Deputy/Senator: Ged Nash

Language: English

Query:

Given the deadline for further information as below has now passed, could you please provide an update on the following:

- Confirmation that the requested further information has been received by 25th February 2026;
- An indication of when the Inspector's report is expected following receipt of that information;
- Whether the revised target date of 30th April 2026 is still valid.

Substantive Reply

I confirm that case reference ABP-319217-24, an application for substitute consent for a quarry at Philipstown and Redbog, Co. Kildare and case reference ABP-319218-24, an application for further development under Section 37L of the Planning and Development Act 2000 at Athgarrett, Philipstown and Redbog, Co. Kildare both lodged with the Commission on 29 February 2024 currently have a target date of decision of the 30 April 2026. Please note that the target date can be further revised. The case files are currently with a Planning Inspector for a report and recommendation. Once the report on the cases is received, the case files will be forwarded to the Planning Commissioners for decision, and a copy of the decision will issue to all parties once decided.

Query Number: OIR/26/014

Date Received: 06 January 2026

Query Subject: Planning

Deputy/Senator: Joe Lynch

Language: English

Query:

Can you please advise as to the deadline for submissions re the above referenced appeal?

Substantive Reply

I refer to your query of 11 February 2026 in relation to ACP-324030-26, Large-Scale Residential Development (LRD) demolition of an existing dwelling house and farmyard with associated agricultural buildings and the construction of a mixed-use residential development of 544 residential units, a creche facility, commercial/retail unit and all ancillary site development works. An Environmental Impact Assessment Report and a Natura Impact Statement have been prepared in respect of the proposed development at Greenfield, Ballincollig, Cork. The last date to make observations is 19 February 2026.

Query Number: OIR/26/015

Date Received: 20 February 2026

Query Subject: Planning

Deputy/Senator: Joe Lynch

Language: English

Query:

I would be most grateful if you could please furnish me with a copy of the transcript taken at An Coimisiún Pleanála's recent Limited Oral Hearing in Limerick concerning case ABP-318943-24.

Substantive Reply

I refer to your email dated Friday 20 February 2026 regarding case ABP-318943-24; Proposed 12 turbine windfarm, located on a 140-hectare site located within the townlands of Cappateemore East, Ballycannan West, Ballycannan East, Ballycar South, Ballycar North, and Glennagross (<https://ballycargreenenergyplanning.ie/>) located within the townlands of Cappateemore East, Ballycannan West, Ballycannan East, Ballycar South, Ballycar North, and Glennagross. Section 146(5) of the Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended, provides that the Commission will make available for inspection and purchase at its offices the documents relating to the decision within 3 working days following its decision. Accordingly, the oral hearing transcript will be available for inspection or purchase 3 days after the Commission makes its decision on this case. The case is currently with the Commission's planning inspector for the preparation of their report and recommendation. When this has been completed, the case will then be sent to the Planning Commissioner's for formal consideration. Most cases are decided by the Commissioners within a 4 week period after the case is sent to them