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1. Summary of all Planning Cases

	2020	2019	Increase / (decrease) %
On hands at start	1,039	1,072	-3%
Received	2,753	2,938	-6%
Disposed of	2,628	2,971	-12%
On hands at end	1,164	1,039	12%
Disposed of within statutory objective period	73%	69%	-
Average time taken (weeks)	19.2	18.4	-

2. Average Time Taken to Dispose of Cases (weeks)

Year	Normal Planning Appeals	Strategic Infrastructure Cases	Strategic Housing Cases (except Pre Apps)	All Other Cases ^{1,2}	All
2011	17	51	-	18	18
2012	23	51	-	16	23
2013	19	37	-	33	23
2014	16	24	-	37	20
2015	15	27	-	30	17
2016	16	50	-	26	17
2017	17	22	-	30	18
2018	22	34	13	36	23
2019	18	28	13	22	22
2020	19	37	17	22	23

¹ This figure excludes pre-application consultation cases

² Excludes normal planning appeals and strategic infrastructure cases

3. Planning Appeals Received / Disposed / On Hands Cases

	2020	2019	Increase / (decrease) %
On hands at start	693	732	-5%
Received	1,956	2,076	-6%
Disposed of (Total)	1,887	2,115	-11%
Disposed of Formally	1,572	1,818	-13%
Disposed of Otherwise	315	297	5%
On hands at end	762	693	10%
Disposed of within statutory objective period	76%	69%	10%
Average time taken (weeks)	19	18	1%

4. Strategic Infrastructure Development Cases (Private Entities and Statutory Undertakers)

	On-Hands Start	Received	Concluded	On-Hands End
Consultation Requests	52	46	44	54
Applications	12	17	12	17
Alteration / Amendment Requests	1	11	10	2
Referrals	0	0	0	0
Total	65	74	66	73

5. Strategic Infrastructure Applications (Private Entities and Statutory Undertakers) Received in 2020

- 110kV electrical substation and associated 110kV infrastructure required to connect a solar farm to the existing Mullingar to Kinnegad 110kV overhead line and associated ancillary site development works, townlands of Hightown or Balloughter, Co. Westmeath.
- Wind farm consisting of 21 wind turbines and all associated site works, Derrinlough and other townlands Co. Offaly.
- 220kV transmission line and a 220kV gas insulated switchgear (GIS) substation along with associated and ancillary works, townlands of Cruiserath, Goddamendy and Bay, Co. Dublin.
- 110kV substation with associated electrical plant, control buildings, welfare facilities, security fencing, additional internal access traces, 110kV overhead line grid connection to existing transmission line on site, which will consist of a 10 year permission, lands at Harristown, Castlejordan and Clongall, Co, Meath.
- A two-storey 110kV Gas Insulated Switchgear (GIS) substation, underground cable and all associated and ancillary site works, , former Clyde House, IDA Blanchardstown Business and Technology Park, Snugborough Road, Blanchardstown, Dublin 15.
- Brexit Infrastructure - Installation of porta-cabin structures. Resurfacing and amalgamation of existing yards. Parking for heavy good vehicles, cars and bicycles. Gates, signage and all ancillary site works, Dublin Port, Dublin 3.
- Increase in annual total waste for treatment from currently permitted 235,000 tonnes to 250,000 tonnes, increase in annual amount of hazardous waste from currently permitted 10,000 tonnes to 25,000 tonnes, development of a aqueous waste tank farm, hydrogen generation unit, bottom ash storage building, development of a single storage warehouse, new concrete yard, weather canopy, demolition and rebuilding of an existing single storey modular office and ancillary site works, Carranstown, Duleek, Co. Meath.
- 400kV electricity transmission cables, extension to the existing Kilpaddoge Electrical Substation and associated works, between the existing Moneypoint 400kV Electrical Substation in the townland of Carrowdoita South County Clare and existing Kilpaddoge 220/110kV Electrical Substation in the townland of Kilpaddoge County Kerry. The development includes work in the foreshore, townland of Carrowdotia South Co. Clare, and Kilpaddoge Co. Kerry.

- 220kV substation with two underground transmission cables, Bracetown, Gunnocks, Paddingstown, Co. Meath.
- 110kv Air-Insulated Switchgear substation, electricity lines, on-site access tracks and all associated site development works, Knockardagur, Ballinakill, Co. Laois
- Clutterland 110kV GIS Substation building and two underground single circuit transmission lines, Grange Castle South Business Park, Dublin 22.
- 110kV gas insulated switchgear substation compound, associated dropdown transmission lines, and associated development at Drogheda IDA Business and Technology Park, Donore Road, Drogheda, Co. Meath
- 19 wind turbines, one meteorological mast, 110kV substation and all associated site development works, townlands of Ballydonaghan, Caherhurley, Coumnagun, Carrownagowan, Inchalughoge, Killokennedy, Kilbane, Coolready and Drummod, Co. Clare.
- Construction of windfarm (12 turbines) with associated works, various townlands Tooslenagh, Treankeel, Aughkeely, Co. Donegal.
- 22 wind turbines and all related site works and ancillary development, townlands of Glashaboy North, Coom (Hudson), Tooreen South, Killeagh, Coom (Fitzgerald), Knuttery, Mullenaboree, Knockacullata, Knoppoge, Carrig, Glannasack, Knockdoorty, Lackendarragh North, Glashaboy South, Toorgarrif, Castleblagh, Co. Cork.
- Greenlink Interconnector consisting of a new converter station, tail station, MV substation and 23km of high voltage direct current (JVDC) electricity cables, 420m of high voltage alternating current (HVAC) cables, 23.42km of fibre optic cable and all associated site works with an overall proposed development site area of 83.8 hectares, Great Island, Kilmannock, Dunbrody, Saltmills, Grange, Kilhile, Rosetown, Coleman, Ramsgrange, Kilbride, Ballinruan, Aldridge, Booley, Broomhill, Lewistown, Kilcloggan, Templetown, Graigue Little, Graigue Great, Lambstown and Ramstown in Co. Wexford.
- 110kV electricity substation to connect to and serve a solar farm and all ancillary works, Lysaghtstown, Midleton, Co. Cork.

6. Strategic Infrastructure Development Cases (Local Authorities)

	On-Hands Start	Received	Concluded	On-Hands End
Applications	14	7	7	14
Environmental Impact Assessment Screening Cases	1	1	1	1
Alteration / Amendment Requests	0	1	0	1
Consultations	2	4	1	5
EIAR / EIS Direction Cases	4	7	9	2
Total	21	20	18	23

7. Strategic Infrastructure Development Applications (Local Authorities) Received in 2020

- Residential development with ancillary commercial uses (retail unit, café and crèche) partially comprising a “Build to Rent” scheme on circa 9.69 hectares, townlands of Shanganagh, Cork Little and Shankill, Co. Dublin.
- Flood alleviation works along and adjacent to the River Poddle, Tymon North, Tallaght to Merchant’s Quay, Dublin.
- Distributor road approximately 1.15km of single carriageway together with all ancillary and consequential works, comprising an urban Arterial Street, incorporating both footpath and cycle path provisions, and a bridge traversing the River Blackwater, Abbeyland, Navan, Co. Meath.
- Extension to and widening of existing runway, Waterford Regional Airport, in the townlands of Lisselan, Killowen, Ballgarran, Monamintra and Keiloge, Co. Waterford.
- An urban park and urban street - a pedestrian and cyclist dominated street, including ancillary site works, Abbey Quarter (former Smithwicks Brewery site), Kilkenny City.

8. Local Authority Projects

	On-Hands Start	Received	Concluded	On-Hands End
Compulsory Acquisition Compulsory Purchase Order (CPO)	21	48	41	28
Compulsory Acquisition Derelict Sites	3	49	16	36
Compulsory Acquisition Protected Structures	1	0	1	0
Total	25	97	58	64

9. Appropriate Assessment Cases

	On-Hands Start	Received	Concluded	On-Hands End
Appropriate Assessment Applications	11	15	16	10
Appropriate Assessment Determinations	0	6	4	2
Total	11	21	20	12

10. Strategic Housing Development Cases 2020

	On-Hands Start	Received	Opinion Issued / Formally Decided ¹	Disposed of Otherwise	On-Hands End
Consultations	35	176	151	11	49
Applications	50	120	126	11	33
Alterations	7	24	18	1	12
Total	92	320	295	23	94

¹ As appropriate

11. Vacant Site Levy

	On-Hands Start	Received	Disposed of Formally	Disposed of Otherwise	On-Hands End
Vacant Site Levy Appeal (Section 9)	8	19	18	7	2
Vacant Site Levy Appeal (Section 11)	0	1	0	1	0
Vacant Site Levy Appeal (Section 18)	8	25	14	7	12
Total	16	45	32	15	14

12. Other Planning Case Types

	On-hands start of year	Received	Formally decided	Otherwise disposed	On-hands end of year
Planning Acts					
Leave to Appeal	1	54	32	21	2
Referrals	69	85	79	17	58
Section 254 Licences	4	11	7	3	5
Environmental Impact Statement Exemption for Applicants	0	1	0	0	1
Planning Scheme in Strategic Development Zone	0	0	0	0	0
Amendment to Planning Scheme in Strategic Development Zone	0	0	0	0	0
Alteration to Planning Scheme in Strategic Development Zone	3	2	2	1	2
Total	77	153	120	42	68

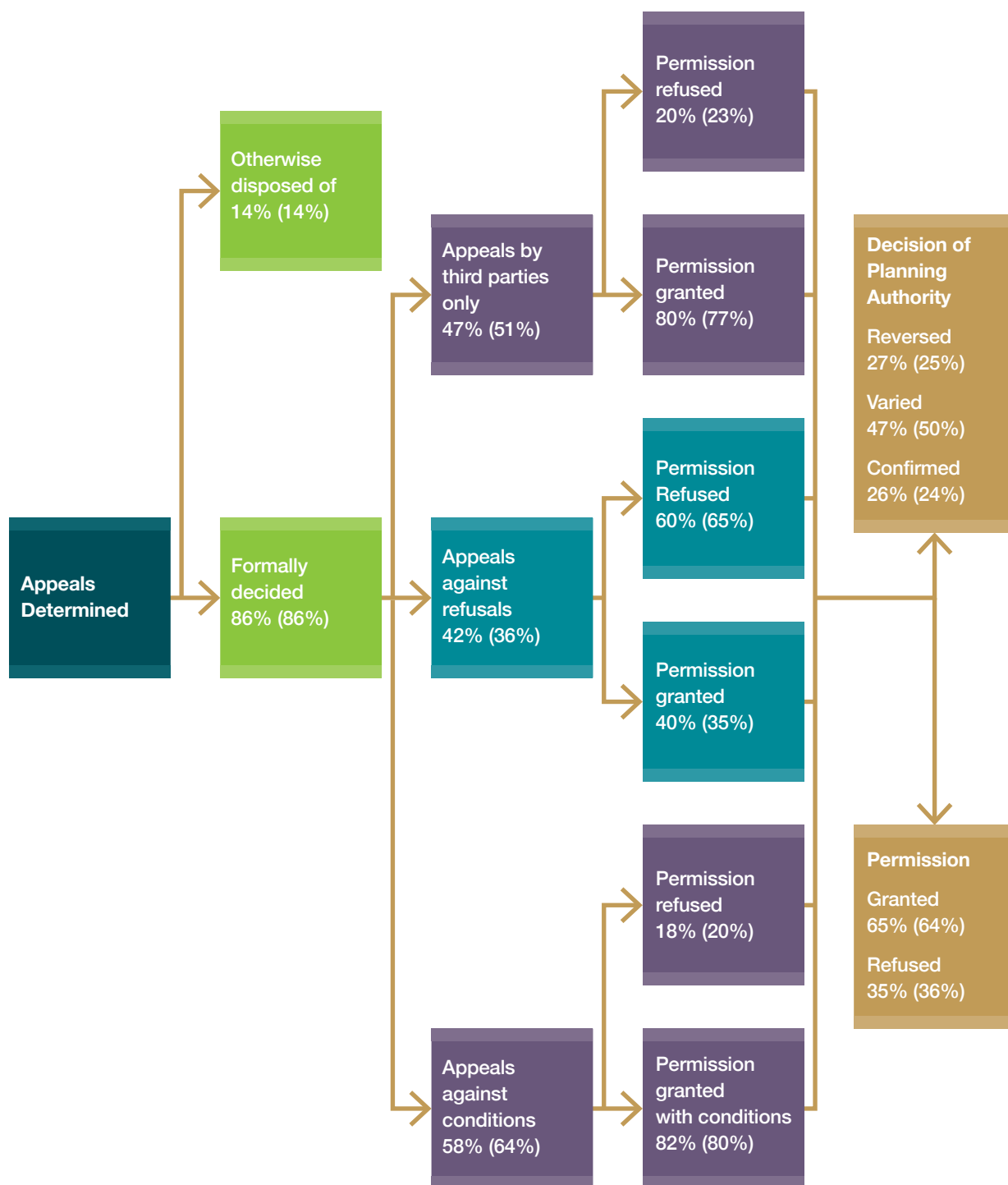
112 (69%) of the total 162 cases (formally decided and otherwise disposed) above were disposed of within 18 weeks, as appropriate

13. Summary of Other Non-Planning Cases

	On-hands start of year	Received	Formally decided	Otherwise disposed	On-hands end of year
Building Control Acts					
Relax & Dispensation Certificate	0	0	0	0	0
Fire Safety Certificate	10	22	13	5	14
Fire Safety Revised Certificate	2	3	3	0	2
Regularisation Certificate	2	1	2	0	1
Disability Access Certificate	0	4	0	0	4
Disability Access Revised Certificate	0	0	0	0	0
<i>Subtotal</i>	14	30	18	5	21
Water Pollution Acts					
Discharge to Water	0	0	0	0	0
Discharge to Sewers	0	0	0	0	0
<i>Subtotal</i>	0	0	0	0	0
Total	14	30	18	5	21

17 (74%) of the total 23 cases (formally decided and otherwise disposed) above were disposed of within 18 weeks / 4 months, as appropriate

14. Analysis of planning appeal decisions



Note: Decisions do not include Financial Contributions.

15. Planning appeals received by development category / area

Area	Development Category					
	Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries	Community Facilities	Education and Training	Energy and Utilities	Industry	Mixed Development
County Area						
Carlow	2	0	0	4	0	0
Cavan	1	1	0	4	1	0
Clare	1	1	0	4	0	1
Cork	8	3	2	13	6	5
Donegal	1	2	0	7	2	0
Dun Laoghaire / Rathdown	0	4	4	2	3	9
Fingal	3	3	3	9	0	12
Galway	5	1	0	6	4	3
Kerry	6	1	1	7	3	0
Kildare	4	0	0	7	5	5
Kilkenny	1	0	0	3	1	3
Laois	0	3	1	1	3	0
Leitrim	1	1	0	3	0	0
Longford	1	1	0	1	2	0
Louth	3	2	1	5	1	2
Mayo	5	0	0	0	1	0
Meath	5	3	1	8	3	4
Monaghan	5	1	0	4	0	2
Offaly	2	0	1	4	2	1
Roscommon	1	0	1	1	1	1
Sligo	1	1	0	0	1	1
South Dublin	0	5	2	4	2	0
Tipperary	2	0	3	7	2	1
Westmeath	4	0	0	3	0	1
Wexford	1	0	0	6	1	0
Wicklow	3	5	1	1	0	1
City						
Cork	0	1	1	1	2	4
Dublin	0	4	5	1	0	19
Galway	0	1	0	2	0	3
City and County						
Limerick	2	3	1	4	0	3
Waterford	2	0	1	3	1	4
Total	70	47	29	125	47	85

Development Category

	Offices	Recreation, Leisure and Hospitality	Residential	Retail	Transport	Total
	0	3	5	2	0	16
	0	1	9	0	0	17
	0	2	33	0	0	42
	1	4	66	0	3	111
	1	3	20	0	0	36
	1	7	141	5	1	177
	1	7	109	5	2	154
	1	3	44	4	0	71
	0	2	50	1	0	71
	0	2	60	1	0	84
	0	7	18	2	1	36
	0	1	10	1	0	20
	1	2	2	2	0	12
	0	0	8	3	0	16
	0	1	27	2	1	45
	2	2	20	1	4	35
	0	3	56	2	1	86
	0	0	3	4	0	19
	0	1	16	1	0	28
	0	1	11	0	0	17
	0	1	13	0	0	18
	2	6	52	4	0	77
	0	5	26	0	1	47
	1	2	13	2	1	27
	1	1	33	0	0	43
	2	8	59	2	0	82
	1	5	54	2	0	71
	17	40	263	16	4	369
	1	5	28	1	1	42
	0	2	33	3	2	53
	0	1	21	0	1	34
	33	128	1,303	66	23	1,956

16A. Summary of cases disposed of by reference to statutory objective period: Normal Planning Appeals

Normal Planning Appeals

Year	A	B	% Within Statutory Objective Period ¹
2011	1,615	323	83%
2012	521	915	36%
2013	1,133	439	72%
2014	1,144	240	83%
2015	1,364	273	83%
2016	1,426	319	82%
2017	1,111	631	64%
2018	836	1,323	39%
2019	1,466	649	69%
2020	1,427	460	76%

Notes:

A Number disposed of within statutory objective periods.

B Number not disposed of within statutory objective periods.

¹ The statutory objective period is 18 weeks in the case of appeals, referrals and certain local authority project cases received by the Board under the 2000 Act, and 4 months in the case of appeals under the Building Control Act and the Water Pollution Acts. A statutory objective period does not apply to certain cases. This figure is for all Strategic Infrastructure Development application cases formally decided.

16B. Summary of all cases disposed of by reference to statutory objective period: Strategic Infrastructure Development Applications

Strategic Infrastructure Development Applications

Year	A	B	% Within Statutory Objective Period ¹
2011	6	23	21%
2012	8	22	27%
2013	5	16	24%
2014	13	7	65%
2015	3	5	38%
2016	2	12	14%
2017	12	1	92%
2018	5	9	36%
2019	7	14	33%
2020	3	16	16%

Notes:

A Number disposed of within statutory objective periods.

B Number not disposed of within statutory objective periods.

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16C. Summary of all cases disposed of by reference to statutory objective period: All Other Cases

All Other Cases

Year	A	B	% Within Statutory Objective Period ¹
2011	189	72	72%
2012	154	93	62%
2013	1,982	3,972	33% ²
2014	2,322	2,282	50% ²
2015	123	110	53%
2016	121	105	53%
2017	118	109	52%
2018	371	304	55%
2019	566	269	67%
2020	480	242	66%

Notes:

A Number disposed of within statutory objective periods.

B Number not disposed of within statutory objective periods.

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² Includes Quarry Review Cases.

16D. Summary of all cases disposed of by reference to statutory objective period: Total Cases

Total Cases

Year	A	B	% Within Statutory Objective Period ¹
2011	1,873	453	81%
2012	762	1,068	41%
2013	1,387	866	62%
2014	1,389	475	75%
2015	1,560	406	79%
2016	1,627	451	78%
2017	1,376	767	64%
2018	1,212	1,636	43%
2019	2,039	932	69%
2020	1,910	718	73%

A Number disposed of within statutory objective periods.

B Number not disposed of within statutory objective periods.

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