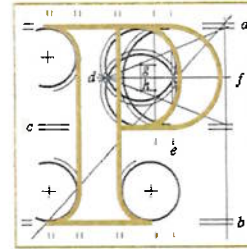


Our Ref: ABP-318220-23
P.A.Reg.Ref:



An
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The Secretary
Planning Section,
Galway County Council
Post Office Box No. 27,
County Hall,
Prospect Hill,
Galway.

6th December 2023

Re:
N6 Galway City Ring Road.
Galway

Dear Sir/Madam,

I have been asked by An Bord Pleanála to refer to the above-mentioned application for approval under section 51 and section 49 of the Roads Act 1993, bearing the reference numbers ABP-318217-23 and ABP-318220-23.

The decisions taken by the Board, on the original applications, have been quashed, by order of the High Court and remitted by that Court to the Board for new decisions.

Copies of the High Court Orders are attached to this letter for your information.

Please be advised that the Board, in accordance with section 217B(4) of the Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended, hereby requires you to submit the following information:

1. Having regard to the passage of time since the applications were lodged and the decisions made, by the Board you are invited to update the motorway scheme application and the proposed road development application.
2. Make submissions in relation to the most recent Climate Action Plan and the implications of the new Galway City Development Plan.
3. Update the Environmental Impact Assessment Report.
4. Update the appropriate assessment screening document and the Natura Impact Statement including updated site conversation objectives.

Having regard to the alterations referred to above, the road authority is also requested under section 217B(4)(b) to submit a revised environmental impact assessment report with your response.

Please note that upon receipt and examination of any response to its request, the Board can at that stage invoke its powers pursuant to section 217B(6) and (7) of the Act which require the road authority to publish a newspaper notice of the furnishing of the further information and to make same available for inspection or purchase. Any such newspaper notice would provide that written submissions or observations in relation to the further information may be made to the Board. The road authority would also be required to send to each prescribed body to which notice was given of the application, a copy of the further information and environmental impact assessment report indicating that submissions/observations may be made to the Board.

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Following receipt of any altered proposal and having regard to the provisions of section 217B(6) and (7), of the Act in making its decision the Board shall under section 217B(8), have regard to any information submitted on foot of this notice, including any revised environmental impact assessment report and any submissions received on foot of the newspaper notice.

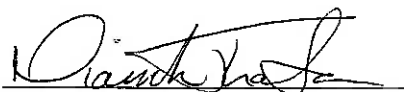
The Board would appreciate a response giving your general approach to the timescales involved in these matters.

In this regard, please submit 2 hard copies and one electronic copy of the above information.

If you have any queries in relation to the matter, please contact the undersigned officer of the Board at laps@pleanala.ie

Please quote the above mentioned An Bord Pleanála reference number in any correspondence or telephone contact with the Board.

Yours faithfully,



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