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An
Coimisiún
Pleanála

Charles Foley
CHARLES FOLEY B.C.L.
MARKET SQUARE
GORT
Co. Galway
H91 PF24

Date: 18 August 2025

Re: Gort Town Centre Public Realm Enhancement Project, Gort, Co. Galway
In the townlands of Gort, Co. Galway

Dear Sir / Madam,

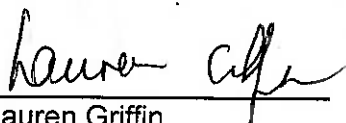
An Coimisiún Pleanála has received your recent submission in relation to the above mentioned proposed development and will take it into consideration in its determination of the matter.

Please note that the proposed development shall not be carried out unless the Commission has approved it with or without modifications.

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

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

Yours faithfully,


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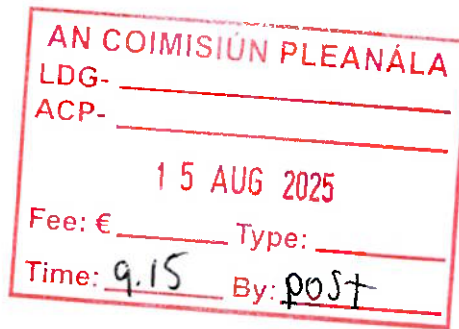
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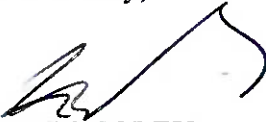
Re: Gort Town Centre Public Realm Enhancement Project

Dear Sirs,

My address is H91 PF24. Your plan proposes a large tree to be planted outside my property which will severely impact on the light entering my building and is utterly not acceptable. In addition, smaller trees or shrubs are proposed for around the front door of my premises. These are also not acceptable. I used this business premises to run my business as a solicitor from 1987 until my retirement at the beginning of 2023. The property had previously been used as a hairdresser's salon for upwards of 30 years prior to then. The adjacent premises which I incorporated into my original premises was used as a dental surgery and subsequently as a hairdresser's salon for upwards of thirty-five years until I purchased same in 2003. Thereafter the ground floor of the entire property was used by me for my legal business up to 2023. At present the ground floor is used to store files from that business, but I expect it will be shortly used again as a business premises and to which the public will need access. Either me or the subsequent owners of the premises will need to advertise their business in the normal way, that people will have a clear view of the premises and the business carried on there without unnecessary trees blocking the view of the premises.

There is also the issue of deciduous leaves being shed from the proposed trees. Who will carry out the clean-up? Will people be employed for this purpose? As it is nobody to my knowledge is so employed. The dead leaves scatter around the streets and clog drains and suchlike. My roof has a valley from which I have regularly cleared dead leaves to keep the gutter open. I no longer feel confident carrying out that work.

Yours sincerely,



CHARLES FOLEY