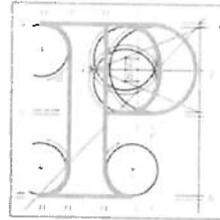


Our Case Number: ACP-323950-25



An
Coimisiún
Pleanála

Mary & Pat Butler
Graiguenamanagh
Co. Kilkenny
R95 A9K3

Date: 12 February 2026

Re: Flood Relief Works at Graiguenamanagh, Co. Kilkenny & Tinnahinch, Co. Carlow
Graiguenamanagh, Co. Kilkenny & Tinnahinch, Co. Carlow

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 accept this letter as a receipt for the fee of €50 that you have paid.

Please note that the proposed development shall not be carried out unless the Commission has approved it or approved it with conditions.

If you have any queries in relation to the matter please do not hesitate to 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,

Lauren Griffin
Executive Officer
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SID Online Observation

Online Reference
SID-OBS-004507

Online Observation Details

Contact Name
Meabh Butler

Lodgement Date
02/02/2026 11:53:10

Case Number / Description
323950

Payment Details

Payment Method
Online Payment

Cardholder Name
Meabh Butler

Payment Amount
€50.00

Fee Refund Requisition

Please Arrange a Refund of Fee of

€

Lodgement No

LDG—

Reason for Refund

Documents Returned to Observer

Yes No

Request Emailed to Senior Executive Officer for Approval

Yes No

Signed

Date

EO

Finance Section

Payment Reference

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Checked Against Fee Income Online

EO/AA (Accounts Section)

Amount

€

Refund Date

Authorised By (1)

SEO (Finance)

Authorised By (2)

Chief Officer/Director of Corporate Affairs/SAO/Board Member

Date

Date

Observation submission to the Graiguenamanagh Tinnahinch Flood Relief Scheme

Case Number JA10.323950 – Graiguenamanagh Tinnahinch Flood Relief Scheme

To whom it may concern,

Can we outline our delight with the plans you have prepared to address flooding in the Graiguenamanagh/ Tinnahinch area.

As a Local Authority it is a significant challenge to address the issues facing all us as a result of climate change. Your plans as set out in this document of managing the increased rain water, general flooding, slowing down water flow towards the River Barrow, addressing water catchment and flow in the Barrow and Duiske rivers and ensuring the safety of people living and visiting the area is a very important and necessary step.

In reading through the design plans, EIAR and NIS reports, maps and the setting out measures to be implemented, it would appear you have given considerable thought and research to all aspects of what influences flooding in the area and the town.

As part of your plans, we would ask you to consider the following:

- When you are developing the area from the Bridge over the River Barrow down to the boathouse, please ensure that all aspects of travel---pedestrian and vehicular including road markings, signage etc are properly implemented to best practice standards on both sides of the road.
- For centuries people from the Town and beyond have used the River Barrow for swimming, entering on one side the river and swimming across to the other. In your plans we see reference to mooring of boats etc. we see no reference to facilitating the swimmers. We would ask that as part of the works you will be undertaking, please ensure that areas where swimmers enter the water (between the steps and the boat slip, where there are ladders currently installed) on the Graiguenamanagh side, are clearly marked out with signage and installation of appropriate ladders for swimmers to enter the water. On the Tinnahinch side again the same signage and access areas need to be clearly installed, and a ladder needs to be installed. This will ensure proper safety for all, swimmers, walkers, boat users and avoid any future conflict between each of the users of the facilities.
- Maintenance of the facilities will be an important consideration, such as who is responsible for lowering the barriers that are proposed to be installed and also maintenance and cleaning of the glass barriers, can you please clarify who will be responsible for these ongoing maintenance requirements?
- While your Environmental Impact Report is very detailed, we cannot see any reference to the how the present issue of leaching of contaminants into the River Barrow from the old municipal dump (beside the car park on the North side of the River) is going to be addressed. See photos of same attached showing the leaching.

We would ask that as you are undertaking compulsory purchase of part of this old dump that you ensure that appropriate steps are taken to stop this contamination of the river.

Congratulations to all your teams on the planning to address this important area for all of us in Graiguenamanagh and beyond.

Regards

Mary + Pat Butler

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