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Minister for Rural and Community Development and the Gaeltacht
Department of Rural and Community Development and the Gaeltacht
Trinity Point
10-11 South Leinster Street
Dublin 2
D02 EF85

Via post / email: info@drcdg.gov.ie

RE: Downings Facility Centre for Water Sports Activities

NOTICE PURSUANT TO SECTION 177AE(4)(b) OF THE PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT ACT 2000 (AS AMENDED) AND SET OUT IN ARTICLE 121 OF THE PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS, 2001 (AS AMENDED)

Dear Sir/Madam,

Pursuant to the requirements of Section 177AE(4)(b) of the Planning and Development Act, 2000 (as amended) and the Planning and Development Regulations, 2001 (as amended) notice is hereby given that Donegal County Council proposes to seek approval from An Coimisiún Pleanála for the proposed development **Downings Facility Centre for Water Sports Activities**.

The proposed development will consist of the development of a facility centre for water sports activities and associated works including, safety improvement works to the access lane to Na Dúnaibh beach, wayfinding signage, site drainage, landscaping, carpark realignment, demolition of existing public toilets building, connection to existing utilities, accommodation works and supporting ancillary works. The proposed development is located at Crocknamurleog, Na Dúnaibh, County Donegal.

A Natura Impact Statement has been prepared in respect of the proposed development.

An Coimisiún Pleanála may give approval to the application for development with or without conditions or may refuse the application for development.

Submissions and/or observations may be made in writing to An Coimisiún Pleanála at its offices at 64 Marlborough Street, Dublin 1, D01 V902, so as to be received not later than 5:30pm on Wednesday the 4th of February 2025, relating to:

- i. The implications of the proposed development for proper planning and sustainable development in the area concerned,
- ii. The likely effects on the environment of the proposed development,
- iii. The likely significant effects of the proposed development on a European site if the proposed development is carried out.

An electronic copy of the application documentation and Natura Impact Statement are available for free download via the consultation website on Donegal County Council's website at ***consult.donegal.ie*** from the 15th of December 2025.

If you wish to receive a hard copy of the NIS and Plans and Particulars, please contact below.

Kind Regards

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