

APPLICATION TO AN COIMISIÚN PLEANÁLA FOR PERMISSION FOR DEVELOPMENT AND OPERATION OF A SOIL RECOVERY FACILITY UNDER SECTION 37E OF THE PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT ACT 2000, AS AMENDED

We, KILMARTIN JUNCTION 14 LIMITED, intend to apply for permission under Section 37E of the Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended, for Strategic Infrastructure Development at lands located in the townland of Kilmartin, Co Wicklow (ITM: Easting 728439.5957 Northing 701058.3960).

The proposed development consists of the establishment and operation of a soil recovery facility. The facility will import approximately 2,160,000 tonnes imported inert waste, principally from development sites, which will be used to progressively infill a deep sided valley and raise ground levels up to a height of approximately 57mOD to tie in with surrounding land ground levels.

The proposed development will take place within a total site area of 17.08 hectares (ha). The infill area extent is approximately 14 ha.

The infilled valley will be progressively restored to agricultural grassland / hedgerow habitat, similar to that which existed prior to the proposed development. The lands will be returned to agricultural use.

The following temporary facilities will be installed and maintained during the life of the soil recovery facility: office and welfare facilities; weighbridge and associated weighbridge cabin; 1 no. wheel wash, 1 no. spray system wheel wash; 6 no. parking bays; 2 no. waste inspection bays and 1 no. bunded waste quarantine area; hardstanding area (vehicle movement and storage); and, surface water drainage infrastructure from hard standing and discharge to ground (including 2 no. interceptors and 2 no. soakaways), an internal access road, internal haul roads (constructed from recycled aggregates where available), security features including security gates and fencing.

The existing land entrance located on R772 will be upgraded and will be retained following the completion of the proposed development. Hedgerow removed from the field boundary opposite the existing land entrance to facilitate sightlines will be replanted following the completion of the proposed development.

A groundwater abstraction borehole will be installed and will be retained for groundwater monitoring purposes following the completion of the proposed development.

Planning permission for the proposed development is sought from An Coimisiún Pleanála for a period of up to 10 years with a further 1 year sought for restoration (planting and subsequent monitoring). The proposed development will be carried out in accordance with a waste licence from the Environmental Protection Agency or in accordance with by-product regulations, Article 27 of the European Communities (Waste Directive) Regulations 2011.

An Environmental Impact Assessment Report (EIAR) and a Stage 1 Screening for Appropriate Assessment Report have been prepared in respect of the proposed development.

The application, together with the Environmental Impact Assessment Report and Stage 1 Screening for Appropriate Assessment Report may be inspected or purchased, at a fee not exceeding the reasonable cost of making a copy, from 30 January 2026 for a period of 7 weeks up to and including 23 March 2026 at the following locations:

- The planning offices of Wicklow County Council, County Buildings, Whitegates, Wicklow Town, A67 FW96, during its public opening hours.
- The offices of An Coimisiún Pleanála, 64 Marlborough Street, Dublin 1, D01 V902, between the hours of 9:15am and 5:30pm Monday to Friday (excluding public holidays).

The application may also be inspected online at the following website set up by the Applicant:
<https://kilmartinjunction14.ie/>

Any person may, during the above-mentioned period of 7 weeks, commencing 30 January 2026 and until and including 23 March 2026 may make a submission or observations in writing to An Coimisiún Pleanála, 64 Marlborough Street, Dublin 1 relating to

- (i) the implications of the proposed development for proper planning and sustainable development of the area,
- (ii) the likely effects on the environment of the proposed development, and
- (iii) the likely significant effects or adverse effect on any European site, if carried out.

Any submission or observations must be accompanied by a fee of €50 (except for certain prescribed bodies).

Such submissions or observations must also include the following information:

- (a) the name of the person, authority or body making the submission or observations, the name of the person, if any, acting on behalf of that person, authority or body, and the address to which any correspondence relating to the application should be sent,
- (b) the subject matter of the submission or observations, and
- (c) the reasons, considerations and arguments on which the submission or observations is or are based in full.

Submissions requiring a fee can be made by hand/post to the Commission's offices, or by the Commission's online submission portal (<https://online.leanala.ie/en-ie/sid/observation>), and that submissions not requiring a fee (i.e. from prescribed bodies) can be made by hand/post or by email to laps@leanala.ie.

An Coimisiún Pleanála may, at its absolute discretion, decide whether to hold an oral hearing in respect of the proposed development. For further details see information on the An Coimisiún Pleanála website: <https://www.leanala.ie/en-IE/Strategic-Infrastructure-Development-Guide/SID-Oral-hearings-and-meetings>

An Coimisiún Pleanála may

- (i) grant permission for the strategic infrastructure development as proposed;
- (ii) make such modifications to the proposed development as it specifies in its decision and grant permission in respect of the proposed development as so modified; or
- (iii) grant permission in respect of part of the proposed development (with or without specified modifications of the foregoing kind); or
- (iv) refuse to grant the permission.

An Coimisiún Pleanála may attach to a grant of permission such conditions as it considers appropriate.

A person may question the validity of a decision of An Coimisiún Pleanála by way of an application for judicial review, under Order 84 of the Rules of the Superior Courts (S.I. No. 15 of 1986), in accordance with sections 50 and 50A of the Planning and Development Act 2000 (No. 30 of 2000), as amended. Practical information on the review mechanism can be found in the Judicial Review Notice on the An

Coimisiún Pleanála website: www.leanala.ie or on the Citizens Information Service website: www.citizensinformation.ie.