

COMPULSORY PURCHASE ORDER FOR THE PURPOSES OF SECTION 76 OF AND THE THIRD SCHEDULE TO THE HOUSING ACT, 1966, AS AMENDED BY THE PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT ACTS, 2000 - 2023

HOUSING ACT, 1966

SECTION 10 OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT (IRELAND) ACT, 1898, AS AMENDED BY SECTION 11 OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT (NO. 2) ACT, 1960) AND SECTION 213 OF THE PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT ACTS, 2000 - 2023

COMPULSORY ACQUISITION OF LAND

Meath County Council, Compulsory Purchase Order No. 2 / 2025 (Vacant Homes), - 9 Francis Ledwidge Terrace, Slane, Co Meath, C15 K021

To: **John & Helen Smith** (*deceased*)

C/o Patricia McKenna, Frances Maguire, Evalena Smith, Jolene Smith, Christopher Smith, Siobhan Smith, Aine Smith Kehoe, Shauna Smith

Whitemountain

Smarmore

Ardee, Co Louth

A92 RR83

1. The **Meath County Council** (hereinafter referred to as the “**Housing Authority**”) in exercise of the powers conferred upon them by [section 76](#) of the [Housing Act, 1966](#) and the Third Schedule thereto (as amended by the [Planning and Development Act, 2000](#)), have made an order entitled as above which is about to be submitted to An Coimisiún Pleanála (hereafter the “**Board**”) for confirmation.
2. If confirmed, the order will authorise the Housing Authority to acquire compulsorily the land described in the Schedule to this notice for the purposes of the Housing Act, 1966.
3. A copy of the order and of the map referred to in it may be seen at all reasonable hours at **Meath County Council Office, Buvinda House, Navan, Co Meath, C15 Y291 and Municipal District of Laytown/Bettystown Office, Main St, Duleek, Co Meath, A92 R9KW** and at the Council website at www.meath.ie.
4. The [Housing Act, 1966](#), as amended, provides that, if an objection is made with respect to the proposed compulsory acquisition of land, the land in respect of which an objection is made by any of the persons upon whom notices of the making of the order are required to be served shall not be acquired compulsorily unless the Board makes an order to confirm the compulsory purchase order, unless:—

- a) the objection is withdrawn, or
- b) the Board is satisfied that the objection relates exclusively to matters which can be dealt with by the arbitrator by whom the compensation may have to be assessed.

Where, as a result of the transfer of functions under sections 214 and 215 of The Planning and Development Act, the Board would otherwise be required to hold a local inquiry or public local inquiry in regard to any of its transferred functions, that requirement shall not apply to the Board but the Board may, at its absolute discretion, hold an Oral Hearing in relation to the matter, the subject of the function transferred.

5. Any objection to the order must state in writing the grounds of objection and be sent addressed to An Coimisiún Pleanála, 64 Marlborough Street, Rotunda, D01 V902 to reach the Board before **Wednesday the 29th day of April, 2025 at 5.30pm.**
6. The Board, if it thinks fit, may in one or more stages annul the compulsory purchase order or confirm the order, with or without modification.
7. If no objection is received to the proposed compulsory acquisition of land, the objection is withdrawn or the Board is satisfied that the objection relates exclusively to matters which can be dealt with by the arbitrator by whom the compensation may have to be assessed, the Board shall inform the Housing Authority, which may then confirm the order with or without modification or refuse to so confirm it.
8. If land to which the order, as confirmed by either the Board or the Housing Authority, relates is acquired by the Housing Authority, compensation for the land will be assessed in respect of the acquisition as the value of the land at the date that the relevant notice to treat is served.
9. In the opinion of the Housing Authority, no part of the land in which you have an interest consists of a house or houses which are unfit for human habitation and not capable of being rendered fit for human habitation at reasonable expense. If the land to which the order relates is acquired by the Housing Authority, compensation will be assessed in accordance with Part II of the Fourth Schedule to the [Housing Act, 1966](#), and the provisions of the Acquisition of Land (Assessment of Compensation) Act, 1919 as amended by the [Acquisition of Land \(Reference Committee\) Act, 1925](#), the [Property Values \(Arbitrations and Appeals\) Act, 1960](#), and the [Local Government \(Planning and Development\) Act, 1963](#) (as applied by [section 265 \(3\) of the Planning and Development Act, 2000](#)), subject to the modifications contained in the Third Schedule to the [Housing Act, 1966](#).
10. Any dispute in relation to compensation shall be referred to and be determined by a property arbitrator appointed under the Property Values (Arbitration and Appeals) Act, 1960.
11. A claimant for compensation may, at any time after the expiration of fourteen days from the date on which the relevant notice to treat is served, send to the Secretary, the Reference Committee, Four Courts, Dublin, an application in writing for the nomination of a property arbitrator for the purpose of determining the compensation to be paid. The application should be made in accordance with the Property Values (Arbitrations and Appeals) Rules, 1961 (S.I. No. 91 of 1961).

SCHEDULE

LANDS BEING PERMANENTLY ACQUIRED

Land other than land consisting of a house unfit for human habitation and not capable of being rendered fit for human habitation at reasonable expense.

Number on map deposited at the offices of the housing authority	Quantity, description and situation of the land	Owners or reputed owners	Lessees or reputed lessees	Occupiers (except tenants for a month or a less period than a month)
OS Map 2315 - D	House on c0.04 hectares	John & Helen Smith	Not Known	Not Known

Dated this the **25th** day of **February 2026**



Yvonne Hyland

Vacant Homes Officer