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A chara,

Attached please find the heritage recommendations of the Department for the above mentioned planning application.

Mise le meas,

**Connor Rooney**  
*Executive Officer*

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Department of Tourism, Culture,  
Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media

Planning Ref: Ummera Gravel Pit Further Dev  
(Please quote in all related correspondence)

24/11/20

The Secretary  
An Bord Pleanála  
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Dublin 1  
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Via email to [bord@pleanala.ie](mailto:bord@pleanala.ie)

Re: Notification under the Planning and Development Act, 2000, as amended.

**Proposed Development: the further development of Ummera Gravel Pit covering a total area of 15.5 hectares, consisting of current active extraction areas, yard area and approximately 2 hectares new extraction areas (to the south and eastern margin of current extraction areas); construction of perimeter earthen screening berms; pavement of existing site access road; construction of a bunded fuel storage shed and concrete refueling pad; replacement of the septic tank & percolation area with a sealed wastewater collection tank; continuation of use of existing site infrastructure including site entrance, washing plant, pump house, settlement ponds, site office, stores, storage of aggregate, all associated ancillary infrastructure and restoration of the site to agricultural use. A fifteen-year lifespan is sought at Ummera Gravel Pit, Ummera Macroom County Cork.**

A chara

I refer to correspondence to the Department of Culture, Heritage and the Gaeltacht on 22/10/2020 received in connection with the above.

Outlined below are heritage-related observations/recommendations co-ordinated by the Development Applications Unit under the stated heading(s).

#### **Nature Conservation**

The Ummera gravel pit is not upstream of, or near to, a European site (cSAC, SAC, pSPA or SPA), or a proposed or designated Natural Heritage Area (NHA or pNHA), insofar as upstream refers to sites above Clondrohid Dam, and impact below which would be insignificant. However, the River Laney contains a very small population of the freshwater pearl mussel, a species listed in the Second Schedule of the Wildlife Acts 1976-2018, and protected under Section 23 of that Act. There are recent records of mussels in the stretch between the confluence of the Clashavoon Stream and the Laney River.

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As a consequence, all necessary measures should be undertaken to avoid release of sediment and hydrocarbons from the operating quarry (including allowance of sufficient land area for settlement ponds to operate at an effective scale), and the stream monitored regularly.

You are requested to send further communications to the Development Applications Unit (DAU) [\*\*manager.dau@chg.gov.ie\*\*](mailto:manager.dau@chg.gov.ie), or to the following address:

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