

Niamh Thornton

From: Bord
Sent: Wednesday 11 November 2020 11:15
To: Appeals2
Subject: FW: 20/265 [ABP- 308194-20] An Bord Pleanála re development of a quarry at Ummera Gravel Pit Co.Cork
Attachments: 20_265 Further development of a quarry at Ummera Gravel Pit Co. Cork.pdf

From: Trish Smullen [mailto:Trish.Smullen@gsi.ie]
Sent: Wednesday 11 November 2020 10:59
To: Bord <bord@pleanala.ie>
Cc: Clare Glanville <Clare.Glanville@decc.gov.ie>; CorporateSupport.Unit <CorporateSupport.Unit@decc.gov.ie>; John Butler <John.Butler@gsi.ie>
Subject: 20/265 [ABP- 308194-20] An Bord Pleanála re development of a quarry at Ummera Gravel Pit Co.Cork

Re: Further development of a quarry at Ummera Gravel Pit, Co. Cork
Your Ref: ABP- 308194-20
Our Ref: 20/265

Dear Sir/Madam,

With reference to your letter dated 22 October 2020, concerning the proposed further development of a quarry at Ummera Gravel Pit, Co. Cork, please find attached response from Geological Survey Ireland.

If you have any further queries or if we can be of further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me (Trish.Smullen@gsi.ie), or my colleague Clare Glanville (Clare.Glanville@gsi.ie).

Yours sincerely,
Trish Smullen

From: John Butler
Sent: 29 October 2020 12:53
To: Clare Glanville; Sophie O'Connor; Brian McConnell; Monica Lee; Taly Hunter Williams; Sean Cullen; Charise McKeon; Jim Hodgson; Eoin MacCraith; Trish Smullen
Subject: EIS 20/265 - An Bord Pleanála re development of a quarry at Ummera Gravel Pit, Co.Cork

EIS 20/265

Development of a quarry at Ummera Gravel Pit, Co Cork [cf. 19/240]. Request for observations by An Bord Pleanála by 25th November 2020. Letter is enclosed.

Regards,

John

From: CorporateSupport.Unit
Sent: 29 October 2020 11:07
To: John Butler; Clare Glanville

Cc: CorporateSupport.Unit

Subject: An Bord Pleanála re development of a quarry at Ummera Gravel Pit, Co.Cork

Good morning,

Please see below and attached correspondence in the above regard from An Bord Pleanála for your information and direct reply.

Regards,

Enda Brady,

Corporate Support Unit,

Ext.2308

From: Niamh Thornton [<mailto:n.thornton@pleanala.ie>]

Sent: 29 October 2020 10:25

To: CorporateSupport.Unit

Subject: RE: Request for electronic copy of notice for ABP-308194-20

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Dear Mr. Brady,

I have been asked by An Bord Pleanála to refer to your email dated 27th October, 2020.

Please be advised, all application documentation relating to the below mentioned further development of a quarry (ABP-308194-20) is available on our website at the below link.

<http://www.pleanala.ie/casenum/308194.htm>

Kind regards,

Niamh Thornton

From: CorporateSupport.Unit <CorporateSupport.Unit@decc.gov.ie>

Sent: Tuesday 27 October 2020 16:56

To: Bord <bord@pleanala.ie>

Cc: CorporateSupport.Unit <CorporateSupport.Unit@decc.gov.ie>

Subject: Request for electronic copy of notice for ABP-308194-20

Good afternoon,

Corporate Support Unit received the attached pdf which is part of a hard copy notice regarding further development of a quarry at Ummera Gravel Pit, Ummera, Co.Cork (ABP ref: ABP-308194-20). As the offices of the Department of Environment , Climate and Communications are currently closed due to the Covid 19 pandemic, Corporate Support Unit are unable to receive or process complete hard copy notifications. In this case there is a copy of the entire substitute application in electronic form (CD) which we cannot access.

Could you please forward an electronic copy of this notice to CorporateSupport.Unit@decc.gov.ie at your earliest convenience?

Thank you for your assistance.

Regards,

Enda Brady,

Corporate Support Unit.

01 678 2308

Enda Brady, Clerical Officer
Finance and Corporate Support Division

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An Bord Pleanála
64 Marlborough Street,
Dublin 1

11 November 2020

Re: Further development of a quarry at Ummera Gravel Pit, Co. Cork
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Geological Survey Ireland is the national earth science agency and has datasets including Bedrock Geology, Quaternary Geology, Geological Heritage Sites, Mineral deposits, Groundwater Resources, Geohazards and the Irish Seabed. These comprise maps, reports and extensive databases that include mineral occurrences, bedrock/mineral exploration groundwater/site investigation boreholes, karst features, wells and springs. Please see our [website](#) for data availability and we recommend using these various data sets, when undergoing the EIAR, planning and scoping processes. Geological Survey Ireland should be referenced to as such and should any data or geological maps be used, they should be attributed correctly to Geological Survey Ireland.

Dear Sir/Madam,

With reference to your letter dated 22 October 2020, concerning the proposed further development of a quarry at Ummera Gravel Pit, Co. Cork, Geological Survey Ireland (a division of the Department of Environment, Climate and Communications) would like to make the following comments.

We commend the use of Geological Survey Ireland online maps and datasets within the EIAR by Keohane Geological & Environmental Consultancy.

The Geoheritage Programme tries to promote a partnership between geological heritage and active quarrying, with such measures as those outlined in the 'Geological Heritage Guidelines for the Extractive Industry', which can be downloaded [here](#). This document, written in association with Irish Concrete Federation, acts as a comprehensive guide in the sustainable extraction of natural resources while preserving the geological heritage of Ireland.

Other Comments

Should development go ahead, all other factors considered, Geological Survey Ireland would much appreciate a copy of reports detailing any site investigations carried out. Should any significant exposures be created, we would ask that they will be designed to remain visible rather than covered with soil and vegetated, in accordance with safety guidelines and engineering constraints. In areas where natural exposures are few, or deeply weathered, this measure would permit on-going improvement of geological knowledge of the subsurface and could be included as additional sites of the geoheritage dataset, if appropriate. Alternatively, we ask that a digital photographic record of significant new excavations could be provided. Potential visits from Geological Survey Ireland to personally document exposures could also be arranged.

The data would be added to Geological Survey Ireland's national database of site investigation boreholes, implemented to provide a better service to the civil engineering sector. Data can be sent to Beatriz Mozo, Land Mapping Unit, at Beatriz.Mozo@gsi.ie, 01-678 2795.

I hope that these comments are of assistance, and if we can be of any further help, please do not hesitate to contact me (Trish.Smullen@gsi.ie), or my colleague Clare Glanville (Clare.Glanville@gsi.ie).

Yours sincerely,

Trish Smullen
Geoheritage Programme
Geological Survey Ireland