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RE: PLANNING REFERENCE No. 20/1547

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The Planning Authority consider that the potential cumulative impacts on the environment of the development to be retained with other developments on the site and the surrounding area would be likely to have significant effects on the environment and a determination on EIAR would be required.

As noted above within the Appropriate Assessment Section above the Planning Authority are of the opinion that works subject to this retention application would require a full Appropriate Assessment.

Therefore, the Planning Authority under Part III, Section 34 (12) of the Planning and Development Act, 2000 (as amended) cannot consider the application in this instance. The legislation under that Part and Section states the following:

A Planning Authority shall refuse to consider an application to retain unauthorized development of land where the authority decides that if an application for permission had been made in respect of the development concerned before it was commenced the application would have required that one or more than one of the following was carried out:

- (a) An environmental impact assessment
- (b) A determination as to whether an environmental impact assessment is required, or
- (c) An appropriate assessment

Please note that the fee paid and documents lodged will be returned to you in due course.

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for County Secretary