

East Meath – North Dublin Grid Upgrade: Statutory Particulars

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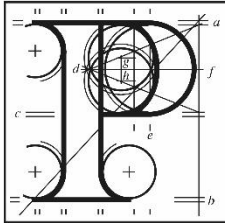
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1. **SID Application Form**



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Application Form for Permission / Approval in respect of a Strategic Infrastructure Development

1.

Please specify the statutory provision under which your application is being made:	Section 182A of the Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended
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2. **Applicant:**

Name of Applicant:	EirGrid plc with the consent and approval of Electricity Supply Board (ESB)
Address:	EirGrid plc The Oval 160 Shelbourne Road Ballsbridge Dublin 4 D04 FW28
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3. Where Applicant is a company (registered under the Companies Acts):

Name(s) of company director(s):	Mark Foley (Chief Executive), Brendan Tuohy (Chairperson), Dr. Theresa Donaldson (Deputy Chairperson), Rosa M Sanz Garcia, Tom Coughlan, Michael Hand, Shane Brennan, James Nyhan, Pauline Walsh
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Company Registration No.	338522
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4. Person / Agent acting on behalf of the Applicant (if any):

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Should all correspondence be sent to the above address? (Please tick appropriate box)

(Please note that if the answer is “No”, all correspondence will be sent to the Applicant’s address)

Yes: [X] No:[]

Contact Name and Contact Details (Phone number) for arranging entry on site if required / appropriate:

Dara McGowan, Senior Project Manager, EirGrid, +353 086 8149602

E-mail: Dara.McGowan@eirgrid.com

5. Person responsible for preparation of Drawings and Plans:

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Details all plans / drawings submitted – title of drawings / plans, scale and no. of copies submitted. This can be submitted as a separate schedule with the application form.	
The drawing schedule is included in Section 8 of the document marked “East Meath – North Dublin Grid Upgrade Statutory Particulars”	

6. Site:

<p>Site Address / Location of the Proposed Development (as may best identify the land or structure in question)</p>	<p>The proposed development will be located within the following townlands in County Meath:</p> <p>Barstown, Woodland, Gaulstown, Culcommon, Cullendragh, Creemore, Portan, Lynaghstown, Blackhall Big, Staffordstown Little, Harlockstown, Waynestown, Vesingstown, Baytownpark, Sarney, Cushinstown, Colliersland North, Dunboyne, Bennetstown, Pace, Woodpark, Piercetown, Ballymagillin, Whitesland, Normansgrove, Stokestown, Kinoristown, Rowan, Nuttstown, Ballintry, Belgree, Priest Town, Ballymacarney and Court.</p> <p>The proposed development will be located within the following townlands in Fingal:</p> <p>Court, Gallanstown, Yellow Walls, Hollywood, Irishtown, Spricklestown, Killamonan, Cherryhound, Ward Upper, Ward Lower, Newpark, Shallon, Corrstown, Common, Skephubble, Ballystrahan, Kilreesk, Kingstown, Barberstown, Pickardstown, Forrest Great, Forrest Little, Cloghran, Glebe, Baskin, Stockhole, Middletown, Clonshagh and Belcamp.</p>									
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<p>Where available, please provide the application site boundary, as shown in the submitted plans / drawings, as an ESRI shapefile in the Irish Transverse Mercator (ITM IRENET95) co-ordinate reference system. Alternatively, a CAD file in .dwg format, with all geometry referenced to ITM, may be provided.</p>										
<p>Area of site to which the application relates in hectares</p>	<p>The overall planning application site is approximately 142 ha. The majority of this comprises</p>									

	underground cable route.
<p>Site zoning in current Development Plan for the area:</p>	<p>The Proposed Development is located mainly along existing road and pathways. There are sections that fall within zoned lands as set out below:</p> <p>Meath County Council (MCC):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • RA – Rural Area • E2 - General Enterprise and Employment • A2 New Residential • C1 Mixed Use • TU – Transport and Utilities • F1 - Open Space • A1 Existing Residential • E3 - Warehousing and Distribution <p>Fingal County Council (FCC):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • RS - Residential • FP – Food Park • OS – Open Space • DA – Dublin Airport • GE – General Employment • GB - Greenbelt • HT – High Technology
<p>Existing use of the site & proposed use of the site:</p>	<p>Cable Route</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Existing Use: Agriculture and Public Roads • Proposed Use: Agriculture and Public Roads with underground Electricity Transmission and associated infrastructure. <p>Connection Points (existing Woodland and Belcamp Substations)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Existing Use: Electricity Transmission and associated infrastructure; Agriculture (with planning permission for Electricity Transmission and associated infrastructure) • Proposed Use: Electricity Transmission and associated infrastructure

	<p>Temporary Construction Compounds, Laydown Areas and Passing Bays</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Existing Use: Agriculture and Public Road • Proposed Use: Temporary Construction Compounds, Laydown Areas and Passing Bays.
<p>Name of the Planning Authority(s) in whose functional area the site is situated:</p>	<p>Meath County Council and Fingal County Council</p>

7. Legal Interest of Applicant in respect of the site the subject of the application:

Please tick appropriate box to show applicant's legal interest in the land or structure:	Owner	Occupier
	Other <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Y	
Where legal interest is "Other", please expand further on your interest in the land or structure.		
<p>EirGrid plc is the licensed Transmission System Operator for Ireland pursuant to the provisions of the Electricity Regulation Act 1999. Pursuant to the provisions of S.I. No. 445/2000, EirGrid plc has the exclusive function to operate and ensure the maintenance of, and if necessary, develop a safe, secure, reliable, economical and efficient electricity transmission system.</p> <p>The Electricity Supply Board (ESB) is the licensed Transmission System Owner for Ireland pursuant to Section 14 of the Electricity Regulation Act 1999. The proposed transmission infrastructure will be constructed by the ESB pursuant to its statutory powers; the proposed transmission infrastructure will be owned by ESB.</p>		
<p>If you are not the legal owner, please state the name and address of the owner and supply a letter from the owner of consent to make the application as listed in the accompanying documentation.</p>		
<p>Electricity Supply Board (referred to as the ESB) of 27 Lower Fitzwilliam Street, Dublin 2, D02 KT92.</p> <p>The letters of consent are included in Section 3 of the document marked "East Meath – North Dublin Grid Updated Statutory Particulars"</p>		
<p>Does the applicant own or have a beneficial interest in adjoining, abutting or adjacent lands? If so, identify the lands and state the interest.</p>		
<p>EirGrid plc, the applicant for approval, does not have a beneficial interest in adjoining, abutting or adjacent lands.</p>		

8. Site History:

Details regarding site history (if known):

Has the site in question ever, to your knowledge, been flooded?

Underground Cable Route

Yes: [Y] No: [] (parts of it)

Existing Woodland Substation

Yes: [] No: [N]

Existing Belcamp Substation

Yes: [] No: [N]

If yes, please give details e.g. year, extent:

The proposed development is located in Flood Zone C, apart from minor local areas in close proximity to watercourses. Given the proposed will be located underground, there is no risk of flooding to them once the works have been completed. A Flood Risk Assessment accompanies the Application for Approval.

Are you aware of previous uses of the site e.g. dumping or quarrying?

Yes: [] No:[N]

If yes, please give details:

Are you aware of any valid planning applications previously made in respect of this land / structure?

Yes: [Y] No: []

If yes, please state planning register reference number(s) of same if known and details of applications

Reg. Ref. No:	Nature of Proposed Development	Nature of Final Decision of Application Grant of Refusal by Planning Authority / An Bord Pleanála
See attached schedule		

If a valid planning application has been made in respect of this land or structure in the 6 months prior to the submission of this application, then any required site notice must be on a yellow background in accordance with Article 19(4) of the Planning and Development regulations 2001 as amended.

Is the site of the proposal subject to a current appeal to An Bord Pleanála in respect of a similar development?

Yes: [] No:[N]

If yes please specify

An Bord Pleanála Reference No.: _____

9. Description of the Proposed Development:

<p>Brief description of nature and extent of development</p>	<p>See attached Schedule</p>
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10. In the case of mixed development (e.g. residential, commercial, industrial, etc), please provide breakdown of the different classes of development and a breakdown of the gross floor area of each class of development:

Class of Development:	Gross Floor Area in m ²
n/a	n/a

11. Where the application relates to a building or buildings:

Gross floor space of any existing buildings(s) in m ²	Belcamp Substation – 2,326m ² Woodland Substation – 427m ²
Gross floor space of proposed works in m ²	1,745m ²
Gross floor space of work to be retained in m ² (if appropriate)	Belcamp Substation – 2,326m ² Woodland Substation – 427m ²
Gross floor space of any demolition in m ² (if appropriate)	n/a

12. In the case of residential development please provide breakdown of residential mix:

Number of	Studio	1 Bed	2 Bed	3 Bed	4 Bed	4 + Bed	Total
Houses							n/a
Apartments							n/a
Number of car-parking spaces to be provided		Existing:	Proposed:			Total:	

13. Social Housing:

Please tick appropriate box:	Yes	No
<i>Is the application an application for permission for development to which Part V of the Planning and Development Act 2000 applies?</i>		✓
<p>If the answer to the above question is “yes” and the development is not exempt (see below), you must provide, as part of your application, details as to how you propose to comply with section 96 of Part V of the Act.</p> <p>If the answer to the above question is “yes” but you consider the development to be exempt by virtue of section 97 of the Planning and Development Act 2000, a copy of the Certificate of Exemption under section 97 must be submitted (or, where an application for a certificate of exemption has been made but has not yet been decided, a copy of the application should be submitted).</p> <p>If the answer to the above question is “no” by virtue of section 96 (13) of the Planning and Development Act 2000, details indicating the basis on which section 96 (13) is considered to apply to the development should be submitted.</p>		

14. Where the application refers to a material change of use of any land or structure or the retention of such a material change of use:

Existing use (or previous use where retention permission is sought)
Electricity Transmission and associated infrastructure within Belcamp and Woodland Substations; Agricultural lands adjacent to Belcamp substation (with planning permission for Electricity Transmission and associated infrastructure)
Proposed use (or use it is proposed to retain)
Extension of substation infrastructure
Nature and extent of any such proposed use (or use it is proposed to retain).
Expansion of substation

15. Development Details:

Please tick appropriate box:	If answer is yes please give details	YES	NO
	Does the proposed development involve the demolition of a Protected Structure(s), in whole or in part?		✓
	Does the proposed development consist of work to a protected structure and / or its curtilage or proposed protected structure and / or its curtilage?		✓
	Does the proposed development consist of work to the exterior of a structure which is located within an architectural conservation area (ACA)?		✓
	Does the application relate to development which affects or is close to a monument or place recorded under section 12 of the National Monuments (Amendment) Act, 1994.	✓	
	Does the application relate to work within or close to a European Site or a Natural Heritage Area?		✓
	Does the development require the preparation of a Natura Impact Statement?	✓	
	Does the proposed development require the preparation of an Environmental Impact Assessment Report?	✓	
	Do you consider that the proposed development is likely to have significant effects on the environment in a transboundary state?		✓
	Does the application relate to a development which comprises or is for the purpose of an activity requiring an integrated pollution prevention and control license		✓
	Does the application relate to a development which comprises or is for the purpose of an activity requiring a waste license?		✓
	Do the Major Accident Regulations apply to the proposed development?		✓
	Does the application relate to a development in a Strategic Development Zone?		✓
	Does the proposed development involve the demolition of any habitable house?		✓

16. Services:

Proposed Source of Water Supply:
Woodland Substation Existing connection: <input type="checkbox"/> New Connection: <input type="checkbox"/> Public Mains: <input type="checkbox"/> Group Water Scheme: <input type="checkbox"/> Private Well: <input type="checkbox"/> Other (please specify): Belcamp Substation Existing connection: <input type="checkbox"/> New Connection: <input type="checkbox"/> Public Mains: <input type="checkbox"/> Group Water Scheme: <input type="checkbox"/> Private Well: <input type="checkbox"/> Other (please specify): The proposed development does not require a water supply. However, there is an existing connection to both substation sites.
Proposed Wastewater Management / Treatment:
Existing: <input type="checkbox"/> New: <input type="checkbox"/> Public Sewer: <input type="checkbox"/> Conventional septic tank system: <input type="checkbox"/> Other on site treatment system: <input type="checkbox"/> Please Specify: <hr/> The proposed development does not require a wastewater management system. However, there is an existing system at both substation sites.
Proposed Surface Water Disposal:
Public Sewer / Drain: <input type="checkbox"/> Soakpit: <input type="checkbox"/> Watercourse: <input type="checkbox"/> Other: <input type="checkbox"/> Please specify: as shown on Drainage Drawings

17. Notices:

Details of public newspaper notice – paper(s) and date of publication
Copy of page(s) of relevant newspaper enclosed Yes: [Y] No:[] Meath Chronicle – edition of week commencing on Tuesday 26 th March Northside People – edition of week commencing on Wednesday 27 th March The adverts are included in Section 6 of the document marked “East Meath – North Dublin Grid Upgrade Statutory Particulars”.
Details of site notice, if any, - location and date of erection
Four site locations have been selected for the erection of site notices and notices erected on Tuesday 26/03/2024. These locations are shown on Planning Drawings 321084AJ-JAC-ZZ-XX-DR-Z-2146 (sheet 46 of 47), 321084AJ-JAC-ZZ-DR-Z-1510, and 321084AJ-JAC-ZZ-XX-DR-Z-1610. Two notices (in white) were erected in the vicinity of the Woodland Substation, Co. Meath and two notices (in white) were erected in the vicinity of Belcamp Substation, Fingal. Copy of site notice enclosed Yes: [Y] No:[] The site notice is included in Section 5 of the document marked “East Meath – North Dublin Grid Upgrade Statutory Particulars”.
Details of other forms of public notification, if appropriate e.g. website
website: www.eirgrideastmeathnorthdublin.ie The public will also be notified on the project website on https://www.eirgrid.ie/eastmeathnorthdublin , as well as other social media

18. Pre-application Consultation:

Date(s) of statutory pre-application consultations with An Bord Pleanála SID pre-application meetings were held with An Bord Pleanála on: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 8th September 2023• 28th November 2023

Schedule of any other pre application consultations –name of person / body and date of consultation to be provided as appropriate and also details of any general public consultations i.e. methods, dates, venues etc. This can be submitted as a separate schedule with the application form.

Section 1.6.2 and 1.6.3 of the Planning Report provides further details on consultation.

Yes: [] No:[]

Schedule of prescribed bodies to whom notification of the making of the application has been sent is included in the document marked “East Meath – North Dublin Grid Upgrade Statutory Particulars”.

This schedule was confirmed by ABP on closure of pre-application consultation.

Enclosed:

Yes: [] No:[]

The letter to EirGrid on closure of pre-application consultation is included in the document marked “East Meath – North Dublin Grid Upgrade Statutory Particulars”.

19. Confirmation Notice:

Copy of Confirmation Notice


Attach a copy of the confirmation notice in relation to the EIA Portal where an EIAR accompanies the application.

20. Application Fee:

Fee Payable

€100,000

I hereby declare that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the information given in this form is correct and accurate and that the application documents being deposited at the planning authority offices, and any other location specified by the Board in pre application consultations, including a website (if any) will be identical to the application documents being deposited with the Board.

Signed: (Applicant or Agent as appropriate)	 (Leah Kenny)
Date:	28/03/2024

General Guidance Note:

The range and format of material required to be compiled / submitted with any application in respect of a proposed strategic infrastructure development shall generally accord with the requirements for a planning application as set out in the Planning and Development Regulations, 2001 to 2018 and those Regulations should therefore be consulted prior to submission of any application.

September 2018

East Meath – North Dublin Grid Upgrade Schedules to the SID Application Form

Question 5 – Person Responsible for preparation of Drawings and Plans

The drawing schedule is included in this document marked “East Meath – North Dublin Grid Upgrade Statutory Particulars”.

Question 6 – Site

A Shapefile of the Planning Application Boundary will be electronically submitted.

Question 7 – Legal Interest of Applicant

The letters of consent are included in this document marked “East Meath – North Dublin Grid Upgrade Statutory Particulars”.

Question 8 – Site History

Table 1-1 and Table 1-2 set out the relevant planning history for the Woodland and Belcamp Substations. Table 1-3 shows the planning history of planning applications that are within or intersect with the Development Boundary along the Cable Route.

Table 1-1: Relevant Planning History for Woodland Substation

Development Description	Decision Date	Applicant	Reference Number	Decision
'Kildare-Meath Grid Upgrade' - Proposed development of a 400 kV underground cable between Dunstown 400 kV substation and Woodland 400 kV substation.	N/A	EirGrid	ABP-316372	Pending
Installation of new AIS Substation equipment and associated earthworks	17/4/23	EirGrid	221550	Granted subject to conditions
Proposed uprate of the existing Louth – Woodland 220 kV overhead powerline (OHL) between the existing Louth 220 kV substation in the townland of Monavallet, County Louth and the existing Woodland 220 kV substation in the townland of Woodland, County Meath	17/11/23	Eirgrid	2360296	Granted
Development consists of erection of a 42 metre high free standing lattice communications structure, carrying antennae and communication dishes, with associated ground-mounted equipment cabinets within a 2.4m high palisade	07/02/2007	Electricity Supply Board Telecoms Ltd	DA60583	Granted subject to conditions

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Development Description	Decision Date	Applicant	Reference Number	Decision
compound, to share with other licenced operators at ESB existing Woodland substation.				
MV Substation building as part of the East West Interconnector Project between Ireland and Wales	20/01/2011	ABB Ab	FS10108	Granted subject to conditions
Alterations to the existing 400kV electricity transformer station, consisting of a new transformer, radiator bank, 3 no surge arrestors and oil interceptor	21/08/2006	ESB	DA60134	Granted subject to conditions
Portan Building as part of the East West Interconnector Project between Ireland and Wales	25/11/2010	ABB Ab	FS10109	Granted subject to conditions
Converter Station building for converting direct current to alternating current as part of the East-West Interconnector Project between Ireland and Wales	25/11/2010	ABB Ab	FS10110	Granted subject to conditions
Spare parts building as part of the East West Interconnector Project between Ireland and Wales	25/11/2010	ABB Ab	FS10111	Granted subject to conditions
To erect a telecommunication mast at existing high voltage transmission station	09/09/1993	ESB	93791	Granted subject to conditions
Erection of palisade fencing at existing high voltage transmission station	28/07/1999	ESB	991106	Granted subject to conditions
Alterations to the existing 400kV electrical transformer station, consisting of a new 400kV/220kV transformer with concrete bund, 400kV transformer bay, 220 kV transformer bay, busbar extensions, 1 no. lightning arrester, oil interceptor and associated site works	14/04/2011	EirGrid plc	DA110127	Granted subject to conditions
The erection of 2 no. acoustic barriers and all associated site development works on a 0.3 hectare site. One barrier will be located within the site to the south-	28/11/2013	EirGrid Interconnector Limited	DA130761	Granted subject to conditions

Development Description	Decision Date	Applicant	Reference Number	Decision
west of the valve coolers. This barrier will be 7 metres high with an overall length of 64.5 metres (32.5 metres acoustic panels will be freestanding) and will wrap around one end of the valve coolers. The other barrier will be located to the south-east of the site inside the boundary fence. This barrier will be 2.5 metres high and 9- metres in length				

Table 1-2: Relevant Planning History for Belcamp Substation

Development Description	Decision Date	Applicant	Reference Number	Decision
Electricity Substation – 220kV Building	26-11-2014	ESB Networks Ltd	14/4125	Grant
Electricity Substation – 110kV Building	26/11/2014	ESB Networks Ltd	14/4126	Grant
220kV Building moved on the site to accommodate possible future expansion	15/03/2016	ESB Networks	15/4230/Rev	Grant
New 110kV GIS Building	5/1/2017	ESB Networks	16/DR/014	Grant
New 220kV GIS Building	5/1/2017	ESB Networks	16/DR/015	Grant
Installation of 220kV underground electrical infrastructure between Collinstown / Dardistown and the new Belcamp 220kV Substation as well as the installation of 220kV underground electricity infrastructure at the existing Finglas 220kV Substation	23/8/2019	EirGrid plc	FS5-026/19 (Exempted development)	
New 220kV GIS building. To include extension to hardstanding, busbars and earthworks.	8/2/2023	EirGrid plc	F23A/0040	Grant

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Table 1-3: Planning Applications that are Within or Intersect with the Development Boundary

Application No.	Authority	Location	Project Description	Decision
ABP-312131-21	ABP		Greater Dublin Drainage project – Regional Wastewater Treatment Plant including Odour Control Unit to be located in the townland of Clonshaugh in Fingal with associated works including c. 25km pipelines	Application to be determined by ABP
2360256	MCC	Dunboyne	The erection of 6no. 15m high floodlight poles and associated lighting for the existing main pitch and training pitch along with all other ancillary site development works	Granted
2360290	MCC	Bennettstown	Permission for the following Large-Scale Residential Development consisting of: 267 no. residential units and associated development.	Further Information
221508	MCC	Drumree	a Solar PV Energy Development with a total site area of 171.34ha, to include solar panels mounted on steel support structures, associated cabling and ducting, 47 No. MV Power Stations, 3 No. Client Substations, 3 No. Temporary Construction Compounds, tracks, boundary security fencing and security gates, CCTV, landscaping and ancillary works, with a 40-year operational period. A Natura Impact Statement (NIS) had been submitted to the Planning Authority with the Application. Significant further information/revised plans submitted on this application	Appealed to ABP. Appeal decision to be determined.
231091	MCC	Nuttstown	Permission to construct an agricultural shed.	Pre-Validation
FW22A/0167	FCC	Cherryhound, Sprickletstown and Killamonan	The development will consist of: the provision of c. of logistics and associated office uses across 5 no. buildings.	Granted
FW22A/0201	FCC	Irishtown, Sprickletstown	The development will consist of: a 10 year permission for the construction of a Solar Photovoltaic (PV) panels on ground mounted frames/support structures within existing field boundaries;	Granted
F22A/0082	FCC	St Margarets	Retention Permission and the continuance of use of the staff welfare facilities.	Granted
F18A/0225	FCC	St Margarets	Demolition of a portion of an existing agricultural shed and the construction of a single storey prefabricated unit to serve as a temporary classroom.	Granted
F15A/0146	FCC	St Margarets	Single storey extensions to the sides for dressing room & storage facilities, the conversion of the existing tennis court to an all-weather training surface and the provision of a walking/running track.	Granted
F18A/0643	FCC	St Margarets	The proposed development will consist of: Junction upgrades .	Grant Permission and Refuse Retention
F19A/0023	FCC	Dublin Airport	Amend the North Parallel Runway (North Runway).	Granted
F20A/0668	FCC	Dublin Airport	A proposed development comprising the taking of a 'relevant action'. The proposed relevant action relates to the night-time use of the runway system at Dublin Airport. It involves the amendment of the operating restrictions set.	Granted
F04A/1755/E1	FCC	Dublin Airport	To construct on airport lands, a runway, 3110m in length and 75m in width.	Granted Extension of Duration

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Application No.	Authority	Location	Project Description	Decision
PartXI/009/19	FCC	Cloghran	Proposed development of Traveller Specific Group Housing.	N/A
F21A/0673	FCC	Dublin Airport	The proposed development will consist of the construction of a new vehicle access to the Naul road and agricultural gates to existing land within DAA ownership.	Granted
F23A/0781	FCC	Dublin Airport	EIAR & NIS The proposed development relates to the entirety of the Airport including greenfield sites on the periphery of the Airport, as well as parts of adjoining public roads, including the Airport roundabout; the R132/Corballis Road South; R132/Old Airport Road; and R108/Old Airport Road. Development Description/ the proposed development will consist of: Increase in passengers numbers per annum a) An increase in the capacity of the airport from the permitted combined capacity of Terminal 1 together with Terminal 2 of 32 million passengers per annum (32mppa) (as referenced by condition no. 3 of ABP Ref. No. PL06F.220670 (F06A/1248) and condition no. 2 under ABP Ref No. PL06F.223469 (F06A/1843)) to 40 million passengers per annum (40mppa). b) The increase to the capacity will include all attendant airport operations at Dublin Airport and Associated Project Elements	Request Additional Information
FW24A/0014	FCC	Newpark	The development will consist of an extension and alterations to New Park Care Centre to include a 1,947.9 sq.m extension to the existing building at ground and first floor level, new car parking and cycle parking, bin storage, smoking shelter, landscaping and drainage infrastructure and all associated ancillary development. The proposed extension and alterations will result in 29 no. additional bedrooms, additional treatment, dining, lounge and garden spaces, an expanded kitchen and laundry area, new staff changing and dining facilities.	Pending

A large portion of the applications within / intersect the development boundary of the Proposed Development are for domestic applications. These domestic applications are set out in **Table 1-4**.

Table 1-4: Domestic Planning Applications within the Development Boundary

Domestic Applications No.	Authority	Location	Decision
RA150907	MCC	Barstown	Granted
RA150555	MCC	Waynestown	Granted
RA150470	MCC	Whitesland	Granted
RA150407	MCC	Whitesland	Granted
RA150469	MCC	Stokestown	Granted
DA140273	MCC	Nuttstown	Granted
FW18A/0133	FCC	Spricklestown	Granted
FW12A/0004	FCC	Spricklestown	Granted
FW17A/0009	FCC	Cherryhound	Granted
FW15A/0147	FCC	The Ward	Granted

Domestic Applications No.	Authority	Location	Decision
F14A/0420	FCC	The Ward	Granted
F18A/0307	FCC	St Margarets	Granted
F21A/0106	FCC	St Margarets	Granted

Question 9 – Description of the Proposed Development

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Approximately 20.5km of the proposed underground cable circuit is located in County Meath and approximately 17km of the proposed underground cable circuit is located in Fingal.

The Proposed Development will be located within the following townlands in County Meath:

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The Proposed Development consists of the following principal elements:

- A. Installation of an underground cable circuit, approximately 37.5km in length, connecting Woodland Substation (400kV) in the townland of Woodland in County Meath, and Belcamp Substation (220kV) in the townlands of Clonshagh and Belcamp in Fingal. The development of the underground cable circuit will include the following:
 - o Construction of a trench of approximately 1.5m in width and approximately 1.3m in depth in the public road (approximately 26km) and approximately 1.8m in depth in private lands (approximately 11.5km) in which the underground cable circuit is laid in flat formation, with associated above ground route marker posts. Route marker posts will be located at field boundaries where the proposed underground cable circuit is laid in private land, at regular intervals in road verges when the proposed underground cable circuit is in-road, in road verges where the proposed underground cable circuit crosses any roads, and at Horizontal Directional Drilling (HDD) crossing locations;
 - o Construction of 49 Joint Bays (on average every 750m), primarily in the public roads, each approximately 10m in length, 2.5m in width and 2.5m in depth, with adjacent communication chambers and link boxes, along the full alignment of the underground

cable circuit. Where the Joint Bays are located off-road, permanent hardstanding areas will be created around the Joint Bays;

- The laying of communication links and fibre optic cables between both substations, running in the same trench as the underground cable circuit;
- The provision of seven Temporary Construction Compounds located along the route and adjacent to substations – sizes for each of the seven Temporary Construction Compounds ranging from approximately 0.8ha to 1.6ha;
- The provision of a Temporary HDD Compound at both the reception and launch locations for three HDD motorway crossings, (i.e., six temporary HDD Compounds in total), and associated laydown area for each HDD crossing (i.e., three laydown areas in total) - sizes for each of the six HDD compounds (plus laydown area where applicable) ranging from approximately 0.15ha to 0.45ha;
- The provision of temporary Passing Bays during construction at certain Joint Bay locations, each approximately 95m in length and 5.5m in width;
- The laying of unbound temporary access tracks, 5m wide in private lands (approximately 12km in total length);
- The laying of 12 unbound, permanent access tracks, 4m wide in private land (approximately 4km in total length);
- All associated water, rail, road, and utility underground crossings using either trenchless drilling or open cut techniques as appropriate for the particular crossing; and
- All associated and ancillary above and below-ground site development works, including works comprising or relating to permanent and temporary construction and reinstatement, roadworks, utility diversions and site and vegetation clearance.

B. Upgrades to the existing 400kV Woodland Substation in the townland of Woodland in County Meath. This will include:

- Installation of a 400kV feeder bay and associated electrical shunt reactor (approximately 8m in height);
- Installation of insulators, instrument transformers, overhead conductors, disconnectors, circuit breakers, surge arrestors (up to 12.6m in height) in order to connect the bay to the busbar;
- Installation of two gantries, 25m in height, with one 3m tall lightning rod on top of each gantry; and
- All ancillary site development works including site preparation works, underground cabling, drainage and earthgrid, as required to facilitate the Proposed Development.

C. Upgrades to the existing 220kV Belcamp Substation in the townlands of Clonshagh and Belcamp in Fingal. This will include:

- Construction of a new steel framed and clad building (73m long, 17.8m wide by 16m high) to house a new 400kV Gas Insulated Switchgear (GIS) Hall, plus eight lightning rods on the roof of the GIS Hall (each 3m in height);
- Installation of 400kV switchgear to facilitate the connection of the new underground cable circuit to the existing substation;
- Installation of associated electrical shunt reactor (approximately 8m in height) with insulators, instrument transformers, overhead conductors, disconnectors, circuit breakers, surge arrestors (up to 12.8m in height) in order to connect the reactor to the cable circuit;
- Installation of two lightning masts (each 15m in height);
- Installation of a new 400/220kV transformer adjacent to the new GIS Hall and connections to the existing 220kV substation via cable circuit;
- Internal access road; and

- All ancillary site development works including site preparation works, site clearance and levelling, drainage, access tracks, and use of existing access points off Stockhole Lane and the R139.

Question 17 – Notices

The newspaper adverts are included in Section 5 of this document.

Question 18 – Pre-Application Consultation

The Proposed Development has developed in accordance with EirGrid's Framework for Grid Development that included local stakeholder engagement activities at each step of the framework. These include:

- Public consultation for 12 weeks from 7th September 2022 including webinars, Open Days and Mobile Information Days between 14th September and 17th November 2022
- Step 4A report published March 2023, Open Days and Community Clinics on 11th April, 12th April, 26th April, and 27th April 2023, Mobile Information Unit 2nd May and 3rd May 2023 and webinars on 13th April and 11th May 2023.
- Step 4B report published September 2023 (interactive events on 21st September, 28th September and 5th October 2023.

Consultation with Prescribed Bodies and Agencies

Table 1-5 presents the pre-application consultation that has been undertaken during the development of the Proposed Development. These comments are considered in more detail and addressed within the Planning Report and the EIAR.

Table 1-5: Details of Consultation with Prescribed Bodies and Agencies

Stakeholder	Form of Engagement	Key Comments Raised
Fingal County Council	E-mails. Virtual Meetings.	Traffic disruptions, road network, protection of hedgerows and engagement with other stakeholders.
Meath County Council	Emails. Virtual Meetings.	Traffic disruptions, road network, flood plains, adjacent planning applications, removal of hedgerows, M3 Junction and engagement with other stakeholders.
Dublin Airport Authority	Virtual Meetings.	Coordination with ESB MetroLink project. Preferred route and DAA requirements.
ESB Networks	Emails. Hybrid Meeting (Virtual and in Person)	The Preferred route, scope of ground investigations, the impact to roads, off road sections and other stakeholder feedback/investigations.
Gas Networks Ireland	Virtual Meeting	Discussion of the crossing of Gas Networks assets.
Inland Fisheries Ireland	Virtual Meeting	Discussion on habitats located downstream, seasonal restrictions, Tolka River, open cut trenching and IFI presence during construction.
Irish Aviation Authority	Virtual Meeting	Discussion on the protection of IAA assets
Irish Rail Iarnród Éireann	Virtual Meeting	Consideration of future rail requirements.
National Monuments Services	Virtual Meeting.	Discussion on the inclusion of mitigation measures, potential archaeological remains on/near watercourses, code of best practice, pre-consent non-invasive archaeological investigations and the recently passed

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		Historic and Archaeological Heritage and Miscellaneous Provisions Act 2023
National Parks and Wildlife Services	Virtual Meeting.	Discussion on 'habitat restoration' and the use of commercial seeds, sourcing seeds and mitigation measures, dealing with badger setts, Tolka River and the matching of species to re-construction works.
Transport Infrastructure Ireland	Virtual Meetings.	Crossing of M1, M2 and M3., the impacts to roads and TII assets, traffic disruption and TII requirements.
Uisce Éireann	Virtual Meetings.	Consideration of UÉ assets. Potential for joint working to avoid disruption along the R154.

In addition to the Meath and Fingal County Councils, the following prescribed bodies were contacted at the EIA Scoping stage to request feedback on the Proposed Development:

- An Chomhairle Ealaíon;
- An Taisce;
- Bus Éireann;
- Commission for Railway Regulation;
- Commission for Regulation of Utilities;
- Department of Environment, Climate and Communications;
- Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage;
- Department of Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media;
- Dublin Airport Authority;
- Dublin Bus;
- Dublin City Council;
- EMRA;
- Environmental Protection Agency;
- ESB Networks;
- Fáilte Ireland;
- Gas Networks Ireland;
- Health and Safety Authority;
- Iarnród Éireann;
- Inland Fisheries Ireland;
- Irish Aviation Authority / Air Navigation Ireland;
- National Parks and Wildlife Service;
- National Transport Authority;
- Office of Public Works;
- Transport Infrastructure Ireland;
- Uisce Éireann; and
- Waterways Ireland.

In addition to consultation set out in Table 1-5, the following prescribed bodies have been informed of public consultation opportunities in accordance with EirGrid's six-step Framework for Grid Development:

- Bord Gáis
- Bus Éireann
- Commission for Railway Regulation
- Dublin Bus
- Environmental Protection Agency
- Health and Safety Authority
- Health Service Executive
- National Transport Authority
- Office of Public Works
 - Teagasc
 - The Heritage Council
 - Waterways Ireland

East Meath – North Dublin Grid Upgrade: Statutory Particulars

The Letter from ABP on closure of pre-application consultation is included in Section 3 of the document marked "East Meath – North Dublin Grid Upgrade Statutory Particulars".

A schedule of prescribed bodies to whom notification of the making of the application has been sent is included in Section 6 of the document marked "East Meath – North Dublin Grid Upgrade Statutory Particulars".

2. Letters of Consent

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28 February 2024

daa Ref: CP1021

Dear Sir/Madam,

Re: Letter of Consent - East Meath-North Dublin Grid Upgrade

daa plc. (Head Office, Dublin Airport, Co. Dublin) consents to EirGrid plc lodging a planning application with Fingal County Council on daa land at Dublin Airport, Co. Dublin in accordance with the specifications and proposals which have been furnished to us to date. The application is in respect of planning permission for a high-capacity 400 kV underground electricity cable proposed between Woodland substation, near Batterstown in Co Meath, to Belcamp substation, near Clonshaugh in north Dublin.

Yours faithfully,

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Gary Mackin
INFRASTRUCTURE
Planning Department



Grainne Duffy
Community Liaison Officer
EIRGRID
Block 2
The Oval
160 Shelbourne Road
Dublin 4

19th March 2024

Our Ref: LOC.003.2024

Re: Letter of Consent for impending planning application for EIRGRID

Dear Sir/Madam,

I confirm that Property Services, Economic Enterprise, Tourism & Cultural Development Department of Fingal County Council consent **only** to the inclusion of that land in the ownership of Fingal County Council as identified and shown outlined in blue on Drawing Number B321084AJ dated March 2024 **for the purpose of the planning application and for no other purpose.** It is the responsibility of the applicant for planning permission to ensure that the drawing supplied correctly reflects the boundaries of the land stated to be in the ownership of the Council.

Furthermore, it should be noted the within consent does not confer any rights to **EIRGRID** in respect of the land identified and this letter shall not constitute a note or memorandum in writing for the purpose of Section 51 of the Land and Conveyancing Reform Act 2009.

In the event that planning permission is granted no works should commence without prior written agreement from the Property Services Section of Fingal County Council.

This letter is issuing on the basis of the undertaking given by the applicant of prior discussions with Council officials in relation to the land.

Yours sincerely

pp Aife Sheridan

John Quinlivan

Director of Services

Economic, Enterprise, Tourism & Cultural Development Department

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Transportation – Projects & Asset Management

4th March 2024

Dara McGowan,
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160 Shelbourne Road,
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Dublin 4 D04 FW28.

Letter of Consent to proceed with a planning application for proposed East Meath-North Dublin 400KV Grid Applicant – EirGrid Plc

Dear Dara

Meath County Council hereby consents to the making by EirGrid of this application for Statutory Approval insofar as it concerns lands in the ownership or control of the County Council.

If planning is granted, please note that it would be subject to a road opening licence application at a later date from the Transportation Department.

Yours sincerely

Una McNamara

Administrative Officer

Transportation – Active Travel | Projects & Asset Management

EirGrid plc
The Oval
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Dublin 4
D04 FW28

01 March 2024

Re: IDA Ireland Consent to apply for Planning Permission – EirGrid plc - Proposed CP1021 East Meath North Dublin Grid Upgrade

To Whom It May Concern,

IDA refer to your request for the consent of IDA (Ireland) (“the IDA”) to a planning application for the construction of a high-capacity 400 kV underground electricity cable proposed between Woodland substation, near Batterstown in Co. Meath, to Belcamp substation, near Clonshaugh in north Dublin as illustrated on the attached drawing namely: 321084AH-JAC-ZZ-XX-DR-Z-0001 Rev P01.

IDA consents to your lodging the said planning application on condition that the consent is not to be construed as:

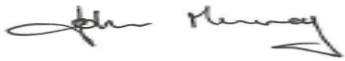
1. an approval (express or implied) by IDA of the plans and specifications regarding the proposed planning application;
2. an authorisation (express or implied) to you, your servants or agents to enter upon the said lands to carry out excavation or construction work associated with any grant of planning permission issued on foot of the planning application.

Furthermore, the consent is issued subject to the following conditions:

1. Compliance with the regulations and obtaining approval of all public, local, and other authorities.
2. Obtaining planning permission and complying with conditions.
3. Compliance with appropriate Regulations.
4. Compliance with the rights of lessees and occupiers of adjoining and surrounding properties.
5. The reinstatement to the satisfaction of IDA Ireland, of any damaged areas/services adjoining the development.
6. IDA Ireland to be notified of proposed start and completion dates.
7. Compliance with all Licencing requirements as agreed with the Local Authority

It should be noted that this confirmation does not affect IDA Ireland’s right to make observations or to object to the proposed development.

Yours sincerely

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John Murray
Strategic Property Division
IDA Ireland



Meath County Council
Planning Department
Buvinda House
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C15 Y291

11 March 2024

Re: East Meath North Dublin Project

Dear Sirs,

The Electricity Supply Board (hereinafter referred to as the 'ESB') of 27 Lower Fitzwilliam Street, Dublin 2, D02 KT92 was constituted by the Electricity Supply Act 1927. ESB is the licensed Transmission System Owner for Ireland pursuant to Section 14 of the Electricity Regulation Act 1999.

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Pursuant to clause 7.6 of the Infrastructure Agreement, all activities connected with seeking and obtaining planning permission/approval (if needed) and any other consents required by the Transmission System Operator to discharge its functions as such shall be the sole responsibility of the Transmission System Operator, i.e. EirGrid plc.

ESB is obliged under the legislation and the Infrastructure Agreement cited above to facilitate EirGrid's planning intentions in the furtherance of its functions as Transmission System Operator. In order therefore not to impede the discharge by EirGrid of those functions, ESB, as the licensed Transmission System Owner and the person with sufficient legal interest in the property the subject matter of the attached application for the purposes of the Planning and Development Act 2000 (as amended), hereby conveys its consent to the making by EirGrid of this application for planning permission/approval which EirGrid considers necessary.



In the interest of clarity, ESB must nonetheless draw to the attention of the Planning Authority that this consent does not relate to the merits or any aspect of this application by EirGrid as

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Yours faithfully

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Louise Cushen

Legal Manager



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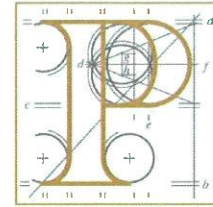
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Louise Cushen

Legal Manager

3. Letter from ABP on Closure of Pre-Application Consultation

Our Case Number: ABP-317599-23



**An
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Pleanála**

Eirgrid
The Oval
160 Shelbourne Road
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Date: 16 January 2024

Re: Proposed development of a 400 kV underground cable between Woodland 400 kV Substation located in the townland of Woodland, Co. Meath and Belcamp Substation in the townlands of Clonsaugh and Belcamp, Co Dublin, known as the 'East Meath – North Dublin Grid Upgrade.

Dear Sir / Madam,

Please be advised that following consultations under section 182E of the Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended, the Board hereby serves notice that it is of the opinion that the proposed development falls within the scope of section 182A of the Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended. Accordingly, the Board has decided that the proposed development would be strategic infrastructure within the meaning of section 182A of the Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended. Any application for approval for the proposed development must therefore be made directly to An Bord Pleanála under section 182A(1) of the Act.

Please also be informed that the Board considers that the pre-application consultation process in respect of this proposed development is now closed.

The following is a list of prescribed bodies to be notified of the application for the proposed development.

- Meath County Council
- Fingal County Council
- Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage
- Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications
- Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport
- Commission for the Regulation of Utilities (CRU)
- An Taisce
- Heritage Council
- An Chomhairle Ealaíon
- Fáilte Ireland
- Córas Iompair Éireann
- Irish Rail
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Further notifications should also be made where deemed appropriate.

In accordance with section 146(5) of the Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended, the Board will make available for inspection and purchase at its offices the documents relating to the decision within 3 working days following its decision. This information is normally made available on the list of decided cases on the website on the Wednesday following the week in which the decision is made.

The following contains information in relation to challenges to the validity of a decision of An Bord Pleanála under the provisions of the Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended.

Judicial review of An Bord Pleanála decisions under the provisions of the Planning and Development Acts (as amended).

A person wishing to challenge the validity of a Board decision may do so by way of judicial review only. Sections 50, 50A and 50B of the Planning and Development Act 2000 (as substituted by section 13 of the Planning and Development (Strategic Infrastructure) Act 2006, as amended/substituted by sections 32 and 33 of the Planning and Development (Amendment) Act 2010 and as amended by sections 20 and 21 of the Environment (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 2011) contain provisions in relation to challenges to the validity of a decision of the Board.

The validity of a decision taken by the Board may only be questioned by making an application for judicial review under Order 84 of The Rules of the Superior Courts (S.I. No. 15 of 1986). Sub-section 50(7) of the Planning and Development Act 2000 requires that subject to any extension to the time period which may be allowed by the High Court in accordance with subsection 50(8), any application for judicial review must be made within 8 weeks of the decision of the Board. It should be noted that any challenge taken under section 50 may question only the validity of the decision and the Courts do not adjudicate on the merits of the development from the perspectives of the proper planning and sustainable development of the area and/or effects on the environment. Section 50A states that leave for judicial review shall not be granted unless the Court is satisfied that there are substantial grounds for contending that the decision is invalid or ought to be quashed and that the applicant has a sufficient interest in the matter which is the subject of the application or in cases involving environmental impact assessment is a body complying with specified criteria.

Section 50B contains provisions in relation to the cost of judicial review proceedings in the High Court relating to specified types of development (including proceedings relating to decisions or actions pursuant to a law of the state that gives effect to the public participation and access to justice provisions of Council Directive 85/337/EEC i.e. the EIA Directive and to the provisions of Directive 2001/12/EC i.e. Directive on the assessment of the effects on the environment of certain plans and programmes). The general provision contained in section 50B is that in such cases each party shall bear its own costs. The Court however may award costs against any party in specified circumstances. There is also provision for the Court to award the costs of proceedings or a portion of such costs to an applicant against a respondent or notice party where relief is obtained to the extent that the action or omission of the respondent or notice party contributed to the relief being obtained.

General information on judicial review procedures is contained on the following website, www.citizensinformation.ie.

Disclaimer: The above is intended for information purposes. It does not purport to be a legally binding interpretation of the relevant provisions and it would be advisable for persons contemplating legal action to seek legal advice.

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If you have any queries in the meantime, please contact the undersigned officer of the Board or email sids@pleanala.ie quoting the above mentioned An Bord Pleanála reference number in any correspondence with the Board.

Yours faithfully,

PP EGM

Niamh Hickey
Executive Officer
Direct Line: 01-8737145

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4. Site Notice

PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT ACT 2000, AS AMENDED

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(Electricity Transmission Development)

Fingal County Council and Meath County Council

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Signed:



Gregor Simpson, for Jacobs Engineering Ireland Ltd (Agent), Termini Building, 3 Arkle Road, Sandyford, Dublin, D18 C9C5

Date of erection of Site Notice: 26th March 2024

5. Newspaper Notices

Notices published in the Meath Chronicle on the 26th March (dated 30th March) and the Northside People on the 27th March

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Phone: 046 9079662
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PLANNING NOTICES

Meath County Council - We, Blue Knightbridge Property Management Ltd, intend to apply for Planning Permission for development on site at Summerhill, Co. Meath. The development will consist of the demolition of existing residence and the construction of 9 No. 1 bed apartments including car parking and communal open space in yard. The Planning Application may be inspected, or purchased at a fee not exceeding the reasonable cost of making a copy, at the offices of the planning authority during its public opening hours and a submission or observation in relation to the application may be made to the authority in writing on payment of the prescribed fee (€20) within the period of 5 weeks beginning on the date of receipt by the authority of the application.

Meath County Council - We, Patricia Glynn & Darragh Rennicks, intend to apply for planning permission for the construction of a single storey detached dwelling including waste water treatment system and percolation area, new entrance onto public road and all associated site works at Cabragh, Camaross, Co. Meath. The planning application may be inspected, or purchased at a fee not exceeding the reasonable cost of making a copy, at the offices of the planning authority during its public opening hours and that a submission or observation in relation to the application may be made in writing to the planning authority on payment of the prescribed fee (€20.00) within the period of 5 weeks beginning on the date of receipt by the planning authority of the application.

Meath County Council - We, Malachy and Josephine Sullivan, intend to apply for permission for retention for development at Hurle, Collon, Co. Meath. The application consists of permission for retention of a new entrance gate to access existing hay storage shed with boundary post and wire fencing along with any associated siteworks. The planning application may be inspected or purchased at a fee not exceeding the reasonable cost of making a copy, at the offices of the Planning Authority during its public opening hours, and a submission or observation in relation to the application may be made in writing to the Planning Authority on payment of the prescribed fee (€20.00) within the period of 5 weeks beginning on the date of receipt by the Planning Authority of the application.

Meath County Council - I, Kevina Daly, intend to apply for planning permission to construct private residence and detached domestic garage, shared entrance onto main road, install wastewater treatment system and percolation area, including all ancillary site works at: Collierstown, Tara, Co. Meath. The planning application may be inspected, or purchased at a fee not exceeding the reasonable cost of making a copy, at the offices of the planning authority during its public opening hours and that a submission or observation in relation to the application may be made to the authority in writing on payment of the prescribed fee (€20.00) within the period of 5 weeks beginning on the date of receipt by the authority of the application. Signed: James Shanley & Associates, M.I.E.I./M.C.A.B.E. (046) 9031737.

PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT ACT 2000, AS AMENDED

Notice of Direct Planning Application to An Bord Pleanála for Approval in Respect of a Strategic Infrastructure Development (Electricity Transmission Development)

Fingal County Council and Meath County Council

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6. Prescribed Bodies Schedule and Notice Letter

The following prescribed bodies have been notified with regard to the application:

Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage / The Manager – Development Applications Unit Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage Custom House Dublin D01 W6X0	Olivia Morgan Land Use Planning Transport Infrastructure Ireland Parkgate Business Centre Parkgate Street Dublin D08 DK10
Dublin Airport Authority Three, The Green, Dublin Airport Central, Dublin Airport, Swords, Co Dublin, K67 X4X5	Uisce Éireann Covill House 24-26 Talbot Street Dublin D01 NP86
Minister of the Environment, Climate and Communications Department of the Environment, Climate and Communications 29-31 Adelaide Road Dublin D02 X285	Natasha Anderson Commission for Regulation of Utilities Grain House Belgard Square North The Exchange Tallaght Dublin D24 PXW0
Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport Department of Transport Leeson Lane Dublin 2 D02 TR60	Yvonne Jackson Fáilte Ireland Planning and Environment Section Áras Fáilte 88-95 Amiens Street Dublin D01 WR86
Kieran Kehoe Chief Executive Meath County Council Buvinda House Dublin Road Navan County Meath C15 Y291	Phoebe Duvall An Taisce The National Trust for Ireland Back Lane Tailor's Hall Dublin D08 X2A3
AnnMarie Farrelly Chief Executive Fingal County Council County Hall Main Street Swords Co. Dublin K67 X8Y2	Alison Harvey The Heritage Council Áras na hOidhreachta Church Lane Kilkenny R95 X264
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East Meath - North Dublin Grid Upgrade Project - Notice of making an Application to An Bord Pleanála in respect of a Strategic Infrastructure Development.

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The nature, extent and location of the proposed development is fully described in the application plans and particulars. A Natura Impact Statement (NIS) and Environmental Impact Assessment Report (EIAR) have been prepared in respect of the Proposed Development. A copy of this application is enclosed herewith (in electronic format (USB)).

The USB drive is encrypted with a password. To comply with security policy instructions to access the USB will follow separately via to the email address planning@water.ie

A copy of this application may also be viewed on the application website:
<http://www.eirgrideastmeathnorthdublin.ie>

Public consultation in respect to this application runs for a seven-week period commencing on 5th April 2024. Any submission / observation must be received by the Board **no later than 5.30p.m. on 24th May 2024.**

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7. Planning Drawings Schedule

As noted in Section 1, all planning drawings listed in this schedule were prepared by Nigel Edwards.

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Site Location Map	321084AJ-JAC-ZZ-XX-DR-Z-2100	A1	1:100,000
Site Location Map Sheet 1 of 47	321084AJ-JAC-ZZ-XX-DR-Z-2101	A3	1:2500
Site Location Map Sheet 2 of 47	321084AJ-JAC-ZZ-XX-DR-Z-2102	A3	1:2500
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Site Location Map Sheet 6 of 47	321084AJ-JAC-ZZ-XX-DR-Z-2106	A3	1:2500
Site Location Map Sheet 7 of 47	321084AJ-JAC-ZZ-XX-DR-Z-2107	A3	1:2500
Site Location Map Sheet 8 of 47	321084AJ-JAC-ZZ-XX-DR-Z-2108	A3	1:2500
Site Location Map Sheet 9 of 47	321084AJ-JAC-ZZ-XX-DR-Z-2109	A3	1:2500
Site Location Map Sheet 10 of 47	321084AJ-JAC-ZZ-XX-DR-Z-2110	A3	1:2500
Site Location Map Sheet 11 of 47	321084AJ-JAC-ZZ-XX-DR-Z-2111	A3	1:2500
Site Location Map Sheet 12 of 47	321084AJ-JAC-ZZ-XX-DR-Z-2112	A3	1:2500
Site Location Map Sheet 13 of 47	321084AJ-JAC-ZZ-XX-DR-Z-2113	A3	1:2500
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Site Location Map Sheet 18 of 47	321084AJ-JAC-ZZ-XX-DR-Z-2118	A3	1:2500
Site Location Map Sheet 19 of 47	321084AJ-JAC-ZZ-XX-DR-Z-2119	A3	1:2500
Site Location Map Sheet 20 of 47	321084AJ-JAC-ZZ-XX-DR-Z-2120	A3	1:2500
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Site Location Map Sheet 22 of 47	321084AJ-JAC-ZZ-XX-DR-Z-2122	A3	1:2500
Site Location Map Sheet 23 of 47	321084AJ-JAC-ZZ-XX-DR-Z-2123	A3	1:2500
Site Location Map Sheet 24 of 47	321084AJ-JAC-ZZ-XX-DR-Z-2124	A3	1:2500
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Site Location Map Sheet 42 of 47	321084AJ-JAC-ZZ-XX-DR-Z-2142	A3	1:2500
Site Location Map Sheet 43 of 47	321084AJ-JAC-ZZ-XX-DR-Z-2143	A3	1:2500
Site Location Map Sheet 44 of 47	321084AJ-JAC-ZZ-XX-DR-Z-2144	A3	1:2500
Site Location Map Sheet 45 of 47	321084AJ-JAC-ZZ-XX-DR-Z-2145	A3	1:2500
Site Location Map Sheet 46 of 47	321084AJ-JAC-ZZ-XX-DR-Z-2146	A3	1:2500
Site Location Map Sheet 47 of 47	321084AJ-JAC-ZZ-XX-DR-Z-2147	A3	1:2500
Woodland 400kV Substation Site Layout Plan	321084AJ-JAC-ZZ-XX-DR-Z-1510	A1	1:2500
Woodland 400kV Substation Site Layout	321084AJ-JAC-ZZ-XX-DR-Z-1511	A1	1:500
Woodland 400kV Substation Elevations	321084AJ-JAC-ZZ-XX-DR-E-1540	A1	1:500
Woodland 400kV Substation Drainage Layout Plan	321084AJ-JAC-ZZ-XX-DR-Z-1515	A1	1:500
Belcamp substation 400kV site layout plan	321084AJ-JAC-ZZ-XX-DR-Z-1610	A1	1:1500
Belcamp substation 400kV site layout: Sheet 01 of 02	321084AJ-JAC-ZZ-XX-DR-Z-1611	A1	1:500
Belcamp substation 400kV site layout: Sheet 02 of 02	321084AJ-JAC-ZZ-XX-DR-Z-1612	A1	1:500
Belcamp substation 400kV site elevations	321084AJ-JAC-ZZ-XX-DR-E-1640	A1	1:150
Belcamp substation Contiguous Elevation Sheet 01 of 04	321084AJ-JAC-ZZ-XX-DR-Z-1641	A1	1:200
Belcamp substation Contiguous Elevation Sheet 02 of 04	321084AJ-JAC-ZZ-XX-DR-Z-1642	A1	1:200
Belcamp substation Contiguous Elevation Sheet 03 of 04	321084AJ-JAC-ZZ-XX-DR-Z-1643	A1	1:200
Belcamp substation Contiguous Elevation Sheet 04 of 04	321084AJ-JAC-ZZ-XX-DR-Z-1644	A1	1:200
Belcamp substation 400kV GIS Building ground & first floor plans	321084AJ-JAC-ZZ-XX-DR-A-1601	A1	1:200
Belcamp substation 400kV GIS Building roof plan & section A-A & section B-B	321084AJ-JAC-ZZ-XX-DR-A-1602	A1	1:200
Belcamp substation 400kV GIS Building External elevations	321084AJ-JAC-ZZ-XX-DR-A-1603	A1	1:200
Belcamp substation drainage layout plan	321084AJ-JAC-ZZ-XX-DR-Z-1615	A0	1:1000
Joint Bay and Passing Bay Arrangements Proposed Details	321084AJ-JAC-ZZ-XX-DR-C-0001	A3	1:500
400kV Cable Joint Bay Proposed Details	321084AJ-JAC-ZZ-XX-DR-C-0002	A3	1:50
Typical Trench Cross Section in Highways & Off-road Sections Proposed Details	321084AJ-JAC-ZZ-XX-DR-C-0003	A3	1:20

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Compounds - HDD and Temporary Construction Proposed Details	321084AJ-JAC-ZZ-XX-DR-C-0004	A3	1:500
Permanent Tracks Proposed Details	321084AJ-JAC-ZZ-XX-DR-C-0005	A3	1:25
Temporary Construction Swathe in Private Lands Proposed Details	321084AJ-JAC-ZZ-XX-DR-C-0006	A3	1:100
400kV Cable Joint Bay Hardstanding in Fields Proposed Details	321084AJ-JAC-ZZ-XX-DR-C-0007	A3	1:50
Internal Road Proposed Details	321084AJ-JAC-ZZ-XX-DR-C-0010	A3	1:20
Drainage Proposed Details	321084AJ-JAC-ZZ-XX-DR-D-0001	A3	AS SHOWN