

Our ref: MGW0290 Ballina Flood Relief Scheme

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RE: PLANNING APPLICATION TO AN BORD PLEANÁLA UNDER SECTION 175 AND SECTION 177AE OF THE PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT ACT 2000 (AS AMENDED) AND THE PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS 2001-2024 (AS AMENDED)

PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT: BALLINA FLOOD RELIEF SCHEME

Dear Sir/Madam.

On behalf of Mayo County Council (MCC), RPS Group Limited (RPS) hereby submits an application for approval to An Bord Pleanála under Section 175<sup>1</sup> and Section 177AE of the Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended (the Planning Act), and the Planning and Development Regulations 2001-2025, as amended (the Planning Regulations) to carry out the proposed Ballina Flood Relief Scheme.

The proposed Ballina Flood Risk Scheme will consist of flood relief works along and/or adjacent to and/or in the vicinity of the River Moy and the following tributaries: Quignamanger Stream, Bunree (Behy Road) Stream, Brusna River and the Tullyegan Stream in the townlands of Ballina, Quignamanger, Quignalecka, Quignashee, Knocknalyre or Downhill, Ballyholan, Abbeyhalfquarter, Rathkip, Ardnaree or Shanaghy, Carrowcushlaun West, Mullauns, Commons, Behybaun and Rahans, County Mayo. The statutory public notices and the plans and particulars submitted with this application provide details of the proposed works.

We confirm that 2 hard copies and 1 electronic copy of the application documentation are hereby submitted to An Bord Pleanála. A Natura Impact Statement (NIS) and an Environmental Impact Assessment Report (EIAR) have been prepared in respect of the proposed development and are enclosed. The *Schedule of Documentation* enclosed with this letter provides a list of reports, drawings, and other planning particulars submitted.

The statutory public notices specify the times and places at which and the period (not less than 6 weeks) during which plans and particulars of the application may be inspected. They also invite submissions or observations to the Board during the specific period. In this case, submissions or observations must be made to the Board no later than 17:30 hours on June 9<sup>th</sup>, 2025.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Upon consultation with ABP via email, it was confirmed that while the application is accompanied by an Environmental Impact Assessment Report and a Natura Impact Statement, it should be made under Section 175 of the Planning Act.

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## **Schedule of Statutory Bodies**

In accordance with provisions set in the Planning Act under Section 175 and Article 121 of the Planning Regulations, we confirm that relevant statutory bodies have been notified of the planning application and a copy of the entire application documentation has been sent to the following prescribed bodies, including details of the relevant timeline for submissions. A *Schedule of Statutory Bodies* and a copy of the notices to each statutory body is enclosed with the application under separate cover.

## **Application Fee**

MCC has paid the appropriate application fee for a planning application under Section 175 of the Planning Act, €30,000, via electronic transfer.

We trust that the above information is in order and look forward to receipt of an acknowledgement at your earliest convenience and, subsequently, to an early and favourable response from the Board in respect to the application submitted hereby.

Yours faithfully, for RPS Group Limited

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