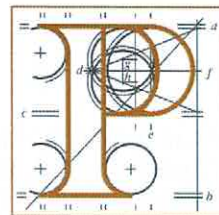


**Our Case Number:** ABP-307382-20

**Your Reference:** Patrick Lalor



**An  
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Emma Pillion Planning  
Fardum,  
Athlone,  
Co. Westmeath

**Date:** - 2 DEC 2021

**Re:** Retain and complete as necessary for a slatted tank, animal housing which incorporates cubicle area, calving boxes, milking parlour, dairy, office, plant room, slatted feeding area, collecting area, steel uprights at feeding area and all associated ancillary works and services, at Grennan. Attanagh, County Laois.).

Dear Sir / Madam,

An order has been made by An Bord Pleanála determining the above-mentioned matter under the Planning and Development Acts 2000 to 2020. A copy of the order is enclosed.

The effect of this order is to direct you to make an application to the Board for substitute consent not later than 12 weeks after the date of the giving of the Board's decision (or such further period as the Board may allow). The application shall be accompanied by a remedial Natura impact statement.

**Please note that the final date for the making of an application for substitute consent is 4<sup>th</sup> March, 2022.**

The provisions of section 251 of the Planning and Development Act, 2000 relating to the holiday period between 24th December and 1st January, both dates inclusive, have been taken into account in the calculation of the response date.

Section 177E of the Planning and Development Act, 2000, as amended, sets out the requirements for a valid substitute consent application and your attention is also drawn to Part 19 of the Planning and Development Regulations, 2001, as amended, which requires, inter alia, the applicant to submit to the Board a newspaper/site notice. You are requested to contact the Board at [bord@pleanala.ie](mailto:bord@pleanala.ie) in relation to the wording of the public notice prior to publication of same, or any other matter concerning the making of the application. A fee is also payable to the Board in respect of the substitute consent application.

Separately, it would greatly assist the Board to have a soft copy of the entire application submitted with six hard copies. In this regard, the drawings on the soft copy should be in PDF format.

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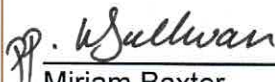
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A further enclosure contains information in relation to challenges by way of judicial review to the validity of a decision of An Bord Pleanála under the provisions of the Planning and Development Act, 2000, as amended.

Yours faithfully,

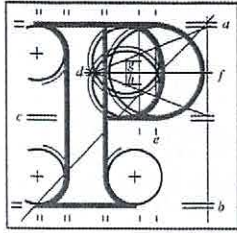


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**Planning and Development Acts 2000 to 2020**

**Planning Authority: Laois County Council**

**Planning Register Reference Number: 19/200**

**Application for Leave To Apply For Substitute Consent**, by Patrick Lalor care of Emma Pillion Planning of Fardrum, Athlone, County Westmeath.

**Development:** Retain and complete as necessary for a slatted tank, animal housing which incorporates cubicle area, calving boxes, milking parlour, dairy, office, plant room, slatted feeding area, collecting area, steel uprights at feeding area and all associated ancillary works and services, at Grennan. Attanagh, County Laois.

## **Decision**

**GRANT** leave to apply for substitute consent under section 177D of the Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended, based on the reasons and considerations set out below.



## Matters Considered

In making its decision, the Board had regard to those matters to which, by virtue of the Planning and Development Acts and Regulations made thereunder, it was required to have regard. Such matters included any submissions and observations received by it in accordance with statutory provisions.

## Reasons and Considerations


Having regard to Section 177D of the Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended, the Board is satisfied that an appropriate assessment is required in this case, in the light of the scale and nature of the development and its relationship with European sites.

Furthermore, the Board examined whether or not exceptional circumstances exist such that it would be appropriate to allow the opportunity for regularisation of the development by granting leave to make an application for substitute consent. In this regard, the Board considered that:

- (i) this application for leave to apply for substitute consent has demonstrated that the regularisation of the development would not circumvent the purposes and objectives of the Habitats Directive because it would allow for the provision of information and an analysis of the likely significant effects of the development on European sites in the vicinity of the development site,
- (ii) the applicant has demonstrated reasonable grounds to support his belief that the development was not unauthorised,

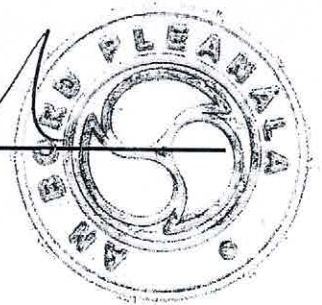
- (iii) this application for leave to apply for substitute consent has demonstrated that the ability to carry out an appropriate assessment and that public participation in such an assessment have not been substantially impaired,
- (iv) the submission of a remedial Natura Impact Statement would facilitate an assessment of the potential for the remediation of any signification effects on European sites, and
- (v) the applicant is making reasonable efforts to regularise the planning status of the development.

Having regard to the foregoing, it is considered that exceptional circumstances do exist such that it would be appropriate to permit the opportunity for regularisation of the development by permitting an application for substitute consent in relation to the site outlined in this application.



**Dave Walsh**

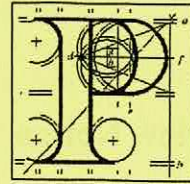
**Member of An Bord Pleanála  
duly authorised to authenticate  
the seal of the Board.**



Dated this *1<sup>st</sup>* day of *December* 2021.



## Fógra faoi Athbhreithniú Breithiúnach



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### Athbhreithniú breithiúnach ar chinneadh a rinne An Bord Pleanála faoi fhorálacha an Achta um Pleanáil agus Forbairt, 2000 (arna leasú)

Nuair is mian le duine agóid dhlíthiúil a chur in aghaidh cinnidh an Bhoird caithfear é sin a dhéanamh trí athbhreithniú breithiúnach amháin. Tá na forálacha chun agóid dhlíthiúil a chur in aghaidh cinnidh an Bhoird le fáil in ailt 50, 50A agus 50B san Acht um Pleanáil agus Forbairt, 2000 (arna ionadú le hait 13 den Acht um Pleanáil agus Forbairt (Bonneagar Straitéiseach) 2006, le hait 32 agus 33 den Acht um Pleanáil agus Forbairt (leasú), 2010 agus le hait 20 agus 21 den Acht Comhshaoil (Forálacha Ilghnéitheacha), 2011.)

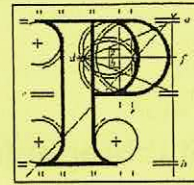
Ní féidir ceistiú a dhéanamh in aghaidh cinnidh an Bhoird ach amháin trí iarratas ar athbhreithniú breithiúnach faoi Ordú 84 de Rialacha na nUaschúirteanna (I.R. Uimhir 15 de 1986). Faoi réir fho-alt 50(6) den Acht um Pleanáil agus Forbairt, 2000 déanfar iarratas ar chead chun iarratas a dhéanamh ar athbhreithniú breithiúnach laistigh den tréimhse 8 seachtain den dáta a rinne an Bord an cinneadh nó laistigh d'aon síneadh ama a cheadaíonn an Ard-Chúirt faoi fho-alt 50(8). Tabhair faoi deara nuair atá athbhreithniú breithiúnach i gceist faoi alt 50 nach féidir ach bailíocht an chinnidh a cheistiú agus ní thugann an Chúirt aon chinneadh faoi fhiúntas na forbartha ó thaobh prionsabail pleanála cuí nó forbairt inchothaithe na háite nó éifeachtaí ar an timpeallacht. Tá sé leagtha síos in alt 50 nach ndeonófar cead d'athbhreithniú breithiúnach muna bhfuil an Chúirt sásta go bhfuil forais shubstaintiúla ann chun argóint a dhéanamh go bhfuil an cinneadh neamhbhailí nó gur ceart é a neamhniú agus go bhfuil suim shásúil ag an iarratasóir leis an ábhar i gceist san iarratas nó i gcásanna a bhaineann le measúnacht tionchair timpeallachta gur eagraíocht í an t-iarratasóir a chomhlíonann coinníollacha áirithe.

Tá forálacha in alt 50B mar gheall ar chostais maidir le himeachtaí san Ard-Chúirt i dtaobh athbhreithniú breithiúnach i gcásanna áirithe (lena n-áirítear imeachtaí faoi chinntí nó gníomhartha de bhun dlí de chuid an Stáit lena dtugtar éifeacht do na forálacha faoi rannpháirtíocht an phobail agus rochtain ar an gceartas atá leagtha amach i dTreoir 85/337/CEE i.e. an Treoir faoi mheasúnacht tionchair timpeallachta agus na forálacha í dTreoir 2001/42/CE maidir le héifeachtaí pleananna agus clár áirithe ar an timpeallacht a mheasúnú). Is í an fhoráil ghinearálta in imeachtaí lena mbaineann alt 50B ná go n-íocfaidh gach páirtí a chostais féin. Is féidir leis an gCúirt costais a bhronnadh i gcoinne aon pháirtí i gcásanna áirithe. Chomh maith le sin tá forálacha i bhfeidhm ionas gur féidir leis an gCúirt iomlán a chostas nó cuid díobh a bhronnadh ar an iarratasóir, in aghaidh fhreagróra nó fhógrapáirtí i gcásanna ina bhfaightear faoiseamh mar gheall ar gníomhú nó neamhfheidhm an fhreagróra nó an fhógrapáirtí.

Tá eolas ginearálta faoi athbhreithniú breithiúnach le fáil ar an suíomh idirlín [www.citizensinformation.ie](http://www.citizensinformation.ie).

Séanadh: Tá an t-eolas thuas tugtha mar threoirlíne. Ní éilítear gur léirmhíniú dlí faoi na forálacha ábhartha atá ann agus dá mbeadh sé ar intinn ag éinne cás dlí a thógáil in aghaidh an Bhoird bheadh sé inmholta comhairle dlí a fháil ar dtús. Athbhreithnithe 30/11/2011





## Judicial Review Notice

### Judicial review of An Bord Pleanála decisions under the provisions of the Planning and Development Act 2000 (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.

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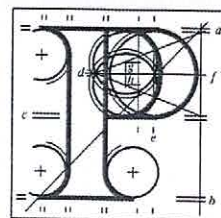
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