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Attention of Daniel O' Connor,
Executive Officer.

Dear Daniel

Please find attached a submission of further information, subject to correspondence from An Coimisiún Pleanála
In relation to the case ACP-323992-26.

Kind Regards

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09th April, 2026.

Our Reference: Dr. David O' Toole.

Your Ref: ACP-323992-26

Application for Substitute Consent pursuant of Section 177E of the Planning and Development Act 2000 (as amended) consisting the retention of importation of soil fill. A Remedial Natura Impact Statement (rNIS), an Ecological Impact Assessment (EIA) and an Environmental Impact Analysis(EIA) are being submitted with this application.

To:	An Coimisiún Pleanála, 64 Marlborough Street, Dublin 1.
From:	Dr. David O' Toole. Cregganna Beg, Oranmore, Co. Galway.
Subject Site For Substitute Consent.	Cregganna Beg, Oranmore, Co. Galway. I.T.M. Site Coordinates: 538760 E, 722075 N
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Further Observation To Submission From Galway County Council.	Observation to submission from Galway County Council to the Substitute Consent Application.

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Description:

Further to the notification received from An Coimisiún Pleanála, dated 20th March 2026, in relation to the submission from Galway County Council to the Substitute Consent application, I, Gerard Hanniffy, Consultant Civil Engineer, of Suite 21, Oran Court, Orantown Centre, Oranmore, Co. Galway, acting as agent for Dr. David O' Toole, do hereby submit this further information submission.

Description: Brief update in relation to the subject lands at Creganna Beg, Oranmore, Co. Galway.

- All Beehives are progressing satisfactorily and produced a very good harvest of Autumn Honey. There is also an expectation of accommodating a further 2 Bee Hives in 2026.
- Frogs have become abundant with frog spawn in both the pool & ditches.
- Orchard Trees are excelling and have been pruned and staked for further progression.
Orchard trees are rare Irish Apple Trees, supplied from Seedsavers, Scarriff, Co, Clare.
- Additional Indigenous native trees, including Rowan, Oak, Alder & Birch, have been planted.
- To attract Pollinators additional Lavender, Salvia, Verbena & Borage have been planted.
- Additional Hawthorn Hedging has been planted to extend the existing Hawthorn Hedge to the Orchard.
- The applicant, Dr. David O' Toole, has also extended an invitation to Rosina Joyce, Biodiversity Office with Galway County Council, to consult with a view to further improve the Biodiversity of the subject site, if she should wish to do so.

The intention of the fill was never for monetary gain but rather to improve on the Ecological diversity and Biodiversity on these lands and which are proven to be excelling.

The subject site has been proven not to have any adverse impact on the neighbouring Creganna Marsh but rather is acting as a complementary and valuable habitat to local wildlife and biodiversity.

We attach some photographs of the current progression of the lands on a Site map for clarification.

We respectfully submit the above further information to An Coimisiún Pleanála for this application for a "Substitute Consent" for the Retention of Soil Fill on the subject site at Creganna Beg, Oranmore, Co. Galway .

Yours Sincerely



(Agent)

Signed: -----

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Consultant Civil Engineer:**

ENCLOSURES

- Notification from An Coimisiún Pleanála for further observation.
- Additional Photos.



Photo # 1. Honey Harvest produced from the Bee Hives on Site.



Photo # 2. View Across The Subject Site.



Photo # 3. View Across The Subject Site.



Photo # 4. Notification on Gate of The Subject Site.



Photo # 5. View Across The Subject Site.



Photo # 6. View Across The Subject Site.



Photo # 7. View Across The Subject Site.

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