

**ABP-307927-20**

*Ms Howard,  
Please forward file  
to Area Co Ordinator  
for allocation & Report*

To: Ms. Bronwyn Byrne  
Senior Executive Officer

From: Anna Howard  
Executive Officer

*By*

Desc: Whether the provision of a circa 5.1 km underground grid connection is or is not development or is or is not exempted development.

Clondardis and Slane More Townlands, Walshestown, Mullingar, Co. Westmeath to the existing ESB substation at Irishtown Townland, Mullingar, Co. Westmeath.

Date: 1<sup>st</sup> October, 2020.

A declaration was sought by Fehily Timoney on behalf of Harmony Solar Mullingar Limited in relation to the above proposed development. A declaration issued by Westmeath County Council on 14th July, 2020 stating that the proposed development as set out above was development and was not exempted development.

A section 5 referral was received by the Board on 10th August, 2020 from Fehily Timoney on behalf of Harmony Solar Mullingar Limited. A copy of the referral issued to Westmeath County Council on 20<sup>th</sup> August, 2020. No response has been received by the Board from the Planning Authority. It is noted that the covering letter received by the Board with the document that a list of landowners is provided. BP05 letters have been prepared to issue to the landowners and Administrative Assistant is to copy referral which is to be enclosed.

I have carried out a search of files of similar questions which have been referred to the Board and the following refer: RL.2778, RL.2786, RL.2739, RL.3369, RL.3503 and 302895.

File is herewith for comments.

