# Campbell, Pat

From:

Paul O'Grady <paul.ogrady@limerick.ie>

Sent:

Friday 17 July 2020 14:56

To:

Campbell, Pat; Morrissey, Colm; Murray, Maura

Subject:

[CASE:410632] WASTE - Disposal of C&D Waste from Site at 33 Strandville Gardens,

North Circular Road, Limerick V94 E7RN (S14 Direction Issued)

**Attachments:** 

20200717 - Scanned Copy of Letter to Mr Jeremiah Horan.pdf

Maura/Colm/Pat,

Please find attached, further correspondence received from Mr. Jeremiah Horan and my response to him this afternoon.

Note in particular his and my comments about the placing of earth/dirt etc.

Regards,

Paul O'Grady

(sent from SUGAR CRM)

Paul O'Grady
Acting Senior Executive Engineer
Environmental Services

Planning & Environmental Services Department

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Mr. Jeremiah Horan

"Finchley"

17 Revington Park
North Circular Road

LIMERICK V94 VKK7 Date:

Friday, 17th July, 2020

Our Ref.:

CRM 410632

insp. No.:

29094

Ref: Section 14 of the Waste Management Act, 1996 (as amended)

Re: Construction Works at no. 33 Strandville Gardens, North Circular Road, Limerick V94 E7RN

Dear Mr. Horan,

I refer to your letter e-mailed to me earlier today and dated Thursday, 16<sup>th</sup> July, 2020, a copy of which is appended to this letter...

As stated to you previously, I will not be commenting further about any right-of-way issue and you are required to comply fully with the Direction received by you within the stated deadline.

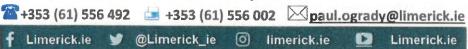
I appended a copy of the text of Section 14 of the above Act to the Direction. This is the legal basis for the issue of that Direction and I am satisfied that due process has been followed.

I note also your comment in point no. 7 where you state that you have placed a "small quantity of soil and dirt (you) removed from the surface on the right hand side of the entrance and it is visible". This in itself, is an offence that is enforceable under litter and waste legislation. Furthermore, I am also informing the Council's Insurance Team accordingly in the context of public liability insurance cover.

Finally, the points you have raised about the Gardaí, alleged harassment/obstruction, the circulation of documents in the neighbourhood or any planning enforcement documents sent to you by the Council etc. are outside of my remit and of no relevance to this particular waste issue.

Yours Sincerely,

Pollution and Environmental Services Department



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### Copy of Letter Sent by Mr. Jeremiah Horan, dated 16th July, 2020

17 Revington Park, North Circular Road, Limerick, 16/7/20.

Your ref: CRM 410632 Mr Paul O'Grady, Senior Executive Engineer, Planning & Environmental Services Department, Limerick City & County Council

#### Re: Construction Works at no. 33 Strandville Gardens, North Circular Road

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  and obstruction with the result that many were intimidated and felt they had no option but discontinue
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Yours sincerely,

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# Campbell, Pat

From:

O'Grady, Paul

Sent:

Friday 17 July 2020 09:04

To:

Campbell, Pat

Subject:

FW: Direction under Section 14 WMA - CRM 410632 - Insp. No. 29094 - Jeremiah

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**Attachments:** 

Paul O Grady 2.docx

Pat,

FYI.

Regards,

Paul

#### Paul O'Grady

**Acting** Senior Executive Engineer

**Environmental Services** 

**Planning & Environmental Services Department** 

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From: Jeremiah Horan [mailto:jerhoran@hotmail.com]

Sent: Friday, July 17, 2020 7:52 AM

To: O'Grady, Paul <paul.ogrady@limerick.ie>

Subject: Re: Direction under Section 14 WMA - CRM 410632 - Insp. No. 29094 - Jeremiah Horan

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Dear Mr O Grady,

Please see attached letter.

#### Jeremiah Horan

From: Jeremiah Horan

Sent: Tuesday 14 July 2020 12:41

To: paul.ogrady@limerick.ie <paul.ogrady@limerick.ie>

Subject: Direction under Section 14 WMA - CRM 410632 - Insp. No. 29094 - Jeremiah Horan

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Yours sincerely,

17 Revington Park, North Circular Road, Limerick, 16/7/20.

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Yours sincerely,



From:

Sent:

gus ahern <gusahern@live.ie> Tuesday 14 July 2020 15:55

To:

Campbell, Pat

Subject:

Planning Reference 19/584

Attachments:

waste management receipt.PNG; Roof tiles.PNG

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Hi Pat,

Re: Extension at 33 Strandville Gardens, Limerick

I am the agent employed by Jerry Horan to supervise the construction of the above extension. In relation to the enforcement notice issued for the above:

- The gate and portion of land at the rear of the site is not owned by the applicant as it is a right of way for 33 & 34 Strandville Gardens and was therefore not shown in the plans.
- 2. The tiles on the roof are not red, but are dark brown roof tiles and were approved by me (see attached photograph).
- 3. Isubmitted the waste management plan on 01/06/20 (see attached receipt). Waste from the excavations were deposited at Michael Bagnell's waste facility at Crecora, Co. Limerick in June 2020 after the waste management plan was submitted.

Regards,

Gus Ahern Chartered Engineer MIEI

# Campbell, Pat

From:

Frawley, Elizabeth

Sent:

Tuesday 14 July 2020 15:12

To:

Campbell, Pat; Murray, Maura

Cc:

O'Grady, Paul

Subject:

Section 14 Waste Management Act, 1996: Jeremiah Horan

**Attachments:** 

20200714 Response to Jeremiah Horan's 2nd Email.pdf

RE: Construction Works at no. 33 Strandville Gardens, North Circular Road, Limerick, V94 E7RN

Dear Pat/Maura,

Paul has asked me to forward on a scanned copy of his response to Mr. Jeremiah Horan, for your information.

Please find letter attached.

Kind Regards,

**Elizabeth** 

Elizabeth Frawley | Assistant Staff Officer Planning & Environmental Services Limerick City and County Council | Dooradoyle Limerick | V94 WV78

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Re: 33 Strandville Gardens, NCR

Dear Mr O'Grady,

I refer to your letter dated 9/7/20 and I note that at 1) you refer to the 'Council-owned grass margin' at the north of Clanmaurice Gardens.

I was not aware that the grass margin in question was owned by the Council and, before I address the other issues in the letter, I would appreciate if you could let me have some evidence that the Council does actually own the grass margin in question.

Yours sincerely,



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Mr. Jeremiah Horan

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LIMERICK V94 VKK7 Date:

Tuesday, 14th July, 2020

Our Ref.:

CRM 410632

Insp. No.:

29094

Ref: Section 14 of the Waste Management Act, 1996 (as amended)

Re: Construction Works at no. 33 Strandville Gardens, North Circular Road, Limerick V94 E7RN

Dear Mr. Horan,

I refer to your e-mail, to me, dated Tuesday, 14<sup>th</sup> July, 2020 (12:42 hrs) as copied overleaf and I note your intention to have the matter concluded and not to seek an extension to the stated deadline.

It is standard practice for the Council to advise recipients of such notices, as a matter of courtesy, of the penalties applicable for any breaches.

In relation to your comment about the existence of a right-of-way, I have been advised that there is no mention of such a right-of-way on the Council's Road Schedule for Public Road No. 238 (Clanmaurice Gardens west of the bollards). I will not be commenting further on that matter as there are legal and insurance considerations outside of my remit.

The Council has no desire to impede the completion of works for which planning permission has been granted and it will adapt a pragmatic approach in that regard (subject to any legal, environmental and safety considerations) on receipt of any submission from you.

However, as you have acknowledged, the waste issue is of serious concern. At the time of writing, the Council still has no information on how and where, waste from the site has been or continues to be disposed of.

Continued Overleaf

As can be seen from one of the photographs I included in the direction, the western part of the back garden of no. 34 appears to be *de-facto* within the confines of the works site for which you have been granted planning permission. If this is not the case, then please confirm in writing.

I would be obliged for your co-operation in having this matter concluded.

Yours Sincerely,

Acting Senior Executive Engineer

Pollution and Environmental Services Department

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#### Copy of E-mail

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Sent: Tuesday, July 14, 2020 12:42 PM

To: O'Grady, Paul <paul.ogrady@limerick.ie>

Subject: Direction under Section 14 WMA - CRM 410632 - Insp. No. 29094 - Jeremiah Horan

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Yours sincerely,

# Campbell Pat

From:

Campbell, Pat

Sent:

Thursday 9 July 2020 10:06

To:

Jeremiah Hogan

**Subject:** 

Your Ref: DC-049-20 Veronica Ronan, Planning and Environmental Services

From: Jeremiah Horan [mailto:jerhoran@hotmail.com]

Sent: Sunday, May 31, 2020 8:48 AM

To: Customer Services < customerservices@limerick.ie>

Subject: Your Ref: DC-049-20 Veronica Ronan, Planning and Environmental Services

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Your Ref: DC-049-20

Dear Ms Ronan,

I refer to the letter dated 25/3/20 in connection with 33 Strandville Gardens. You requested my observations within 4 weeks but I am sure you will understand that matters have been put on hold due to the Covid-19 lockdown.

- 1. In relation to condition no. 1 of the Planning Permission reference 19/584, I have appointed a contractor to carry out the work and he has taken on responsibility for those issues. I have also appointed the architect to deal with planning issues and oversee the works.
- 2. The entrance from the public roadway on Clanmaurice Gardens formed part of the original planning P/78/275, granted 30/3/79.

Jeremiah Horan

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Dear Mr Horan,

I refer to your email dated the 31st of May.

Condition 1 of the Permission has not been complied with as the extension is roofed with red tiling instead of the agreed dark coloured tiling. Also the entrance driveway to the rear of the site was not shown on the plans submitted for the development under Permission 19/584.

Also Condition 9 of the Permission has not been complied with as a site Specific Waste Management Plan has not been submitted for written agreement.

This condition should have been agreed prior to commencement of the development.

As these issues have not been dealt with to date, an Enforcement Notice will now be prepared.

Regards,

Pat.

Pat Campbell.

Development Inspector.
Planning and Environmental Services,
Limerick City & County Council,
Dooradoyle,
Limerick.

(061)556408.

# Campbell, Pat

From:

O'Grady, Paul

Sent:

Friday 3 July 2020 09:41

To:

White, Kathleen; Campbell, Pat

Subject:

Case 410632 = WASTE - Disposal of C&D Waste from Site at 33 Strandville Gardens,

North Circular Road, Limerick V94 E7RN

**Attachments:** 

Rear Garden Towards House Friday 2020-07-03\_05-21-12.jpg; Rear Garden Towards Rear Friday 2020-07-03\_05-22-58.jpg; Severed Boundary With House to Rear Friday

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05-17-47 jpg; Access Track and Wall Friday 2020-07-03\_05-19-03.jpg; Fill Material on Access Track Friday 2020-07-03\_05-22-03.jpg; Front of House Wall Friday 2020-07-03\_05-16-23.jpg; Rear Garden behind No 34 Friday 2020-07-03\_

05-20-10.jpg

Kathleen/Pat,

I had a look at this site earlier this morning.

From the planning perspective, the pre-existing gap in the wall is still wider than as shown in Google Street View photographs from May 2009 and July 2019,

There also seems to have been an "annexation" of part of the back garden of no. 34 which is at variance with the boundaries shown on the Land Registry website. Unfortunately, actual folio records for these two properties are not available on that website.

The boundary with the house to the rear "The Chase", Clanmaurice Avenue V94 336C seems to be in the process of being altered.

Furthermore, the temporary access track is still in-situ.

From the environmental perspective, I propose to issue a Direction under S14 of the Waste Management Act, 1996 (as amended) to Mr. Horan requiring him to provide documentary proof of having disposed of waste from the site legitimately and also to have all remaining waste removed legitimately, including the fill material on the access track to the gateway.

Regards,

Paul

Paul O'Grady Acting Senior Executive Engineer **Environmental Services** 

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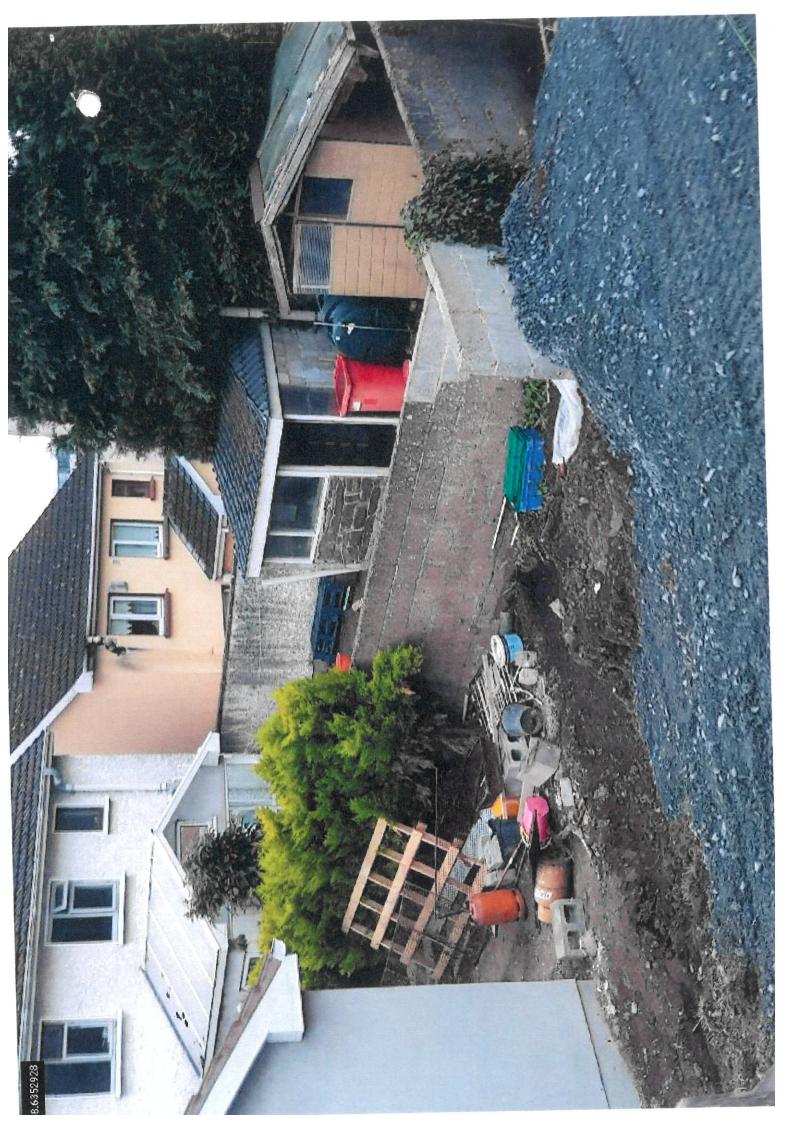
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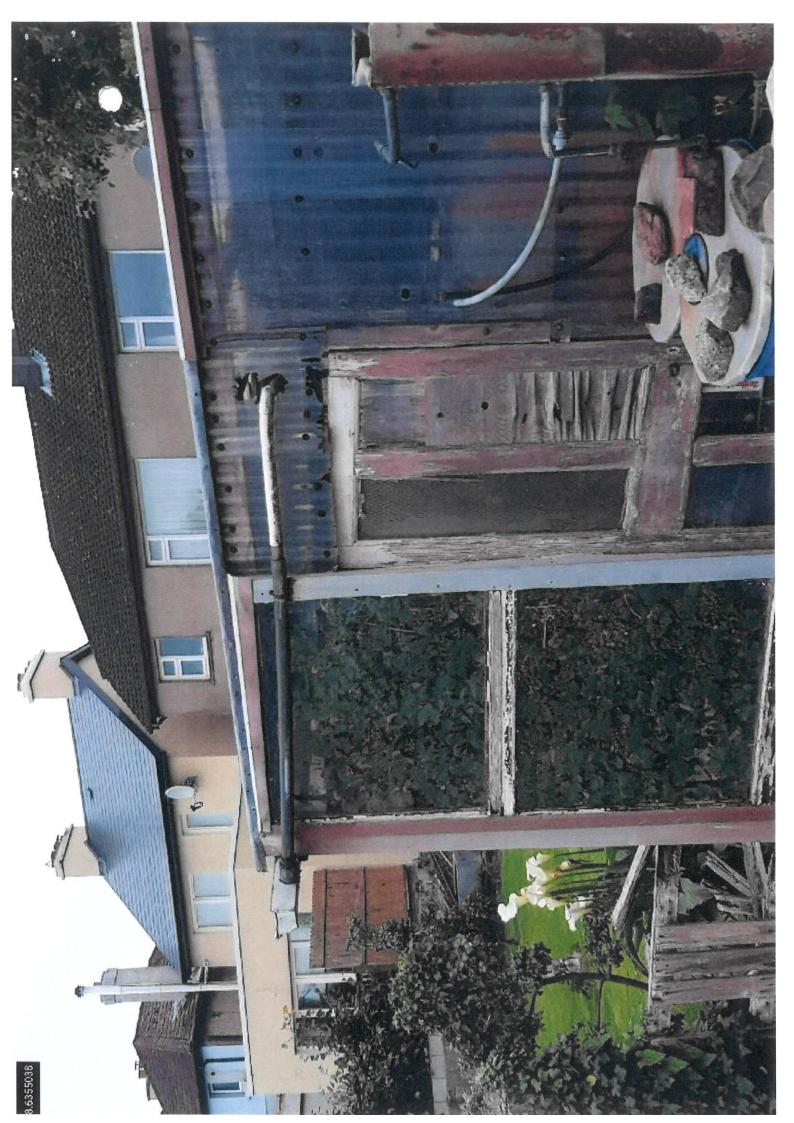
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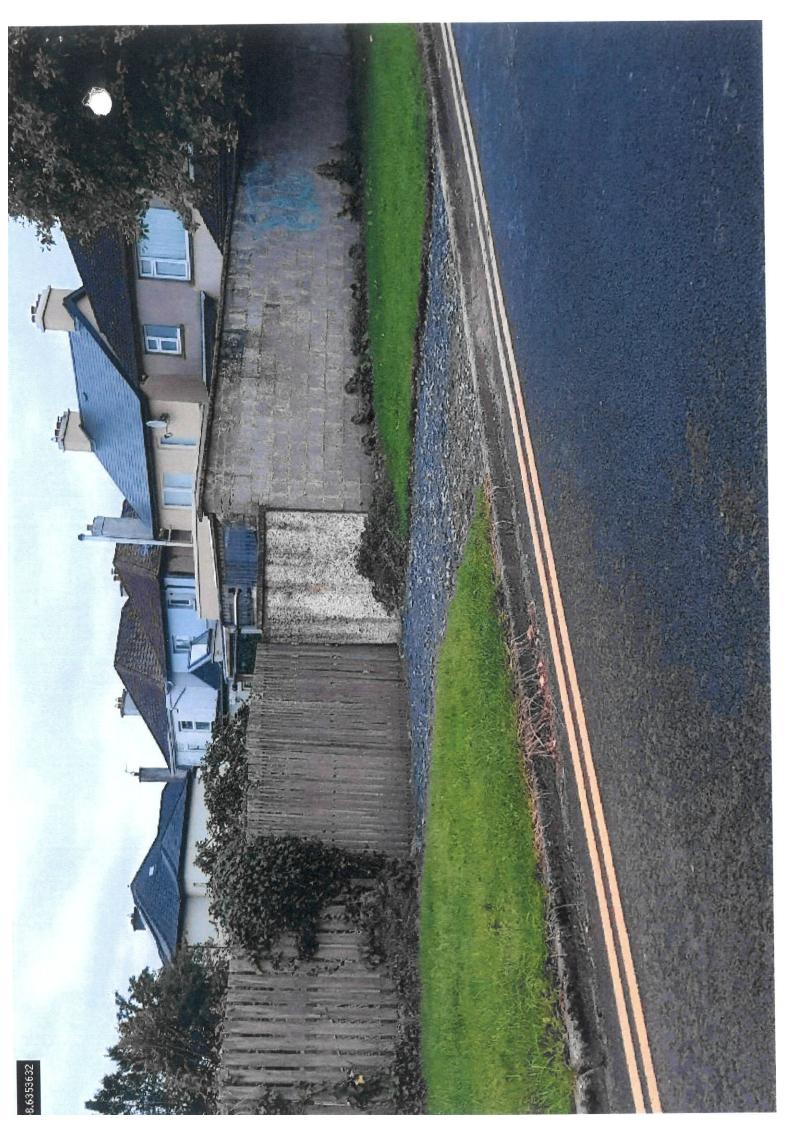
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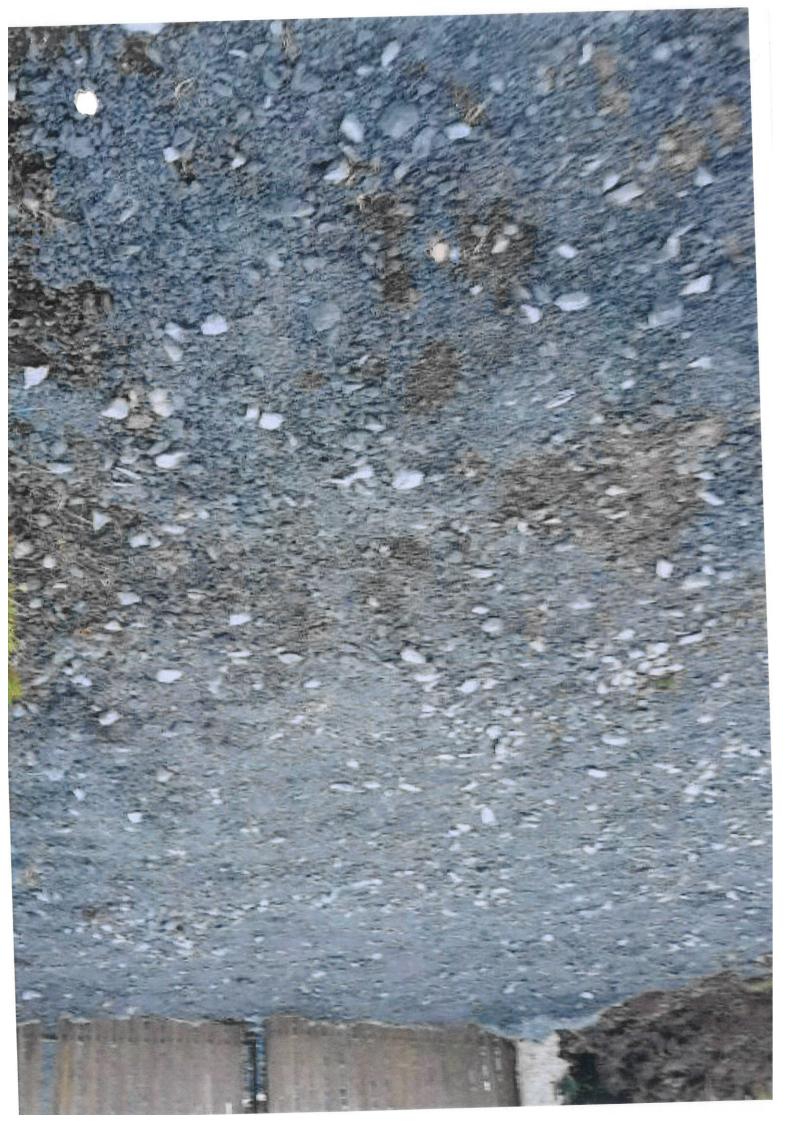




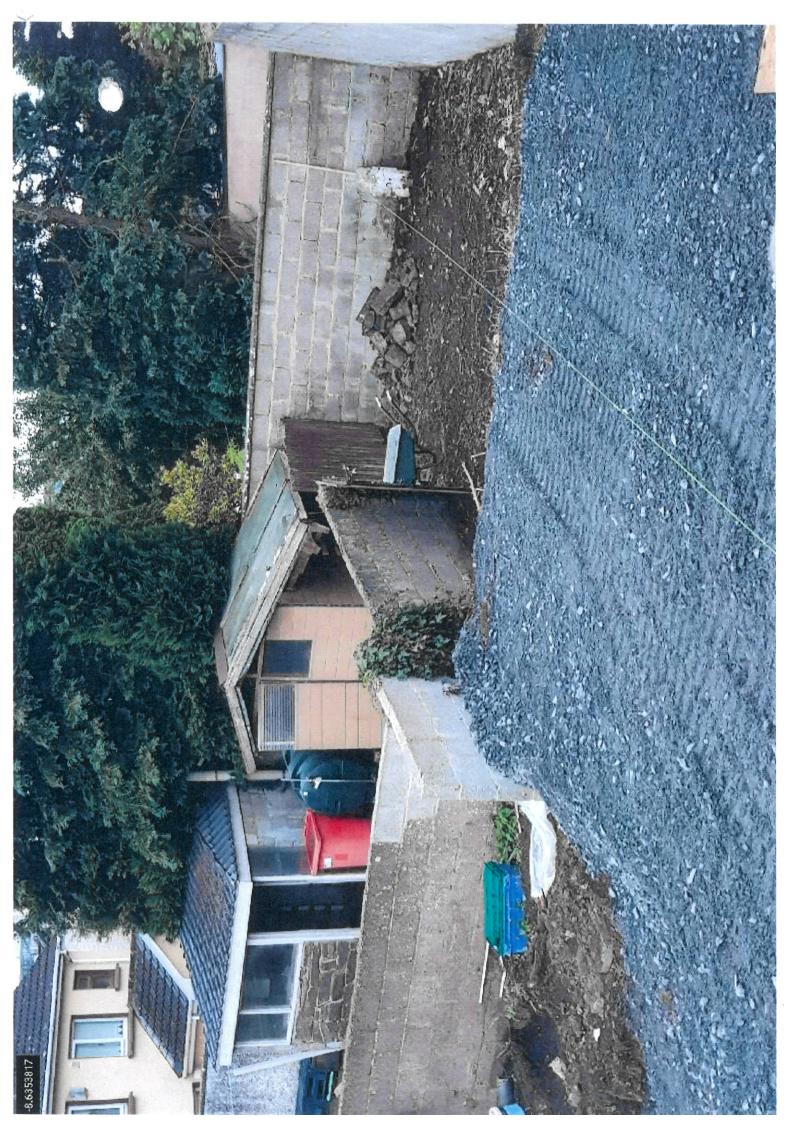


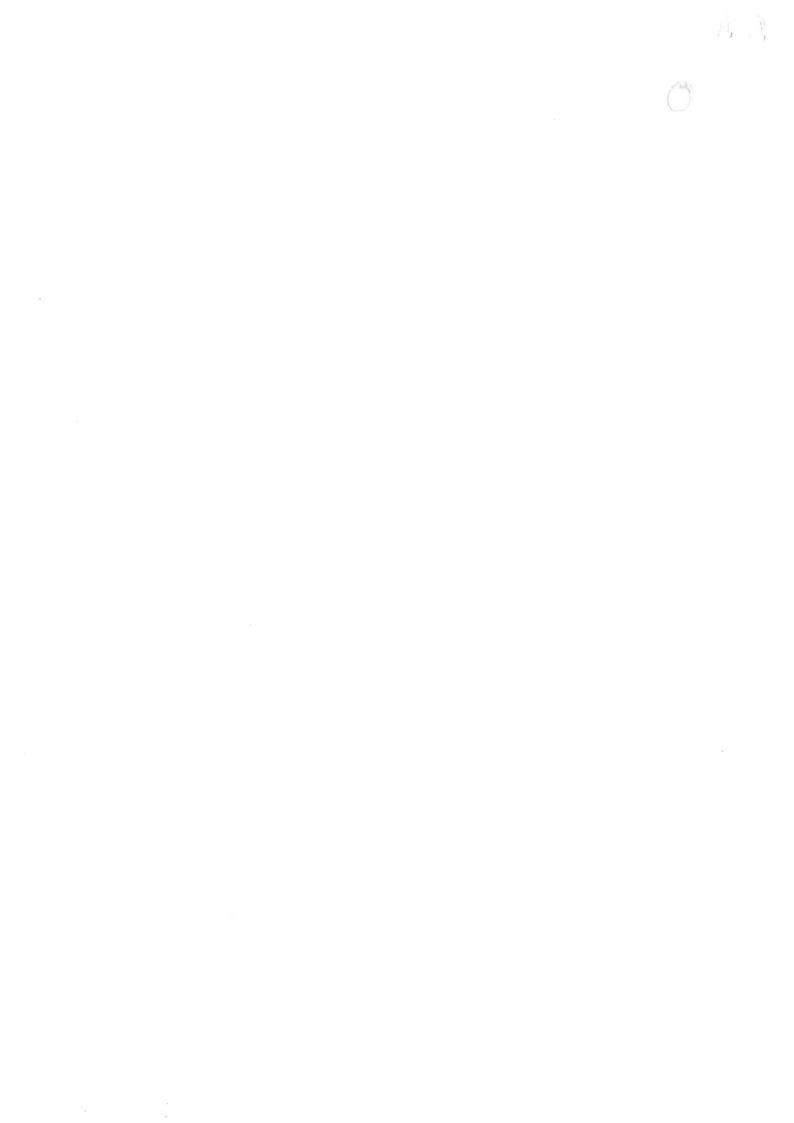
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#### Campbell, Pat

From:

enforcements

Sent:

Wednesday 1 July 2020 11:09

To:

Campbell, Pat

Subject:

FW: Clanmuarice Gardens

**Attachments:** 

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Undersigned (Autosaved).docx; Site Plan.JPG

From: cora franklin [mailto:corafranklin2018@outlook.com]

Sent: Wednesday, July 1, 2020 11:03 AM

To: enforcements <enforcements@limerick.ie>
Cc: avril considine <avril.considine@googlemail.com>

Subject: Clanmuarice Gardens

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Dear Mr. Campbell,

Many thanks for your assistance, I have added some files for your information. My deeds going back to 1962 show no clearway or site entrance.

Regards

Cora

On Mon, 17 Feb 2020, 16:25 avril considine, <a href="mailto:square">avril.considine@googlemail.com</a>> wrote: Planning reference: 19584

Dear Mr O'Brien.

Thank you for meeting with Mr. Franklin and I this morning. Thank you for confirming that Mr Horan will be obliged to comply with the full conditions of the planning permission grant.

However, when I arrived home from the meeting I was confronted with Mr Horan in the process of moving a significant amount of soil and topsoil from the common green area diagonally across from my house into his back garden. He then commenced spreading stones and gravel on the former green common ground creating a pathway in excess of 3 meters wide (see photos attached). I immediately tried phoning your office without success so I phoned Michael Sheehan using the mobile number that you had supplied. Michael Sheahan attended the site after approximately 20 minutes. It was at this point that I spoke to you on Mr Sheahan's phone. Michael Sheahan then went and spoke with Mr Horan. Mr Sheahan advised the following:

- 1. That was he was acquainted with Mr Horan so it put him in a difficult position
- 2. That Mr Horan had advised him that despite Mr Sheahans request, Mr Horan will not restore the grassed common area on completion of the works
- 3. That I should revert to Michael O'Brien on the matter as there was nothing more that Mr Sheahan do

Mr Horan was in excess of five hours spreading on the common ground and compacting using his motor vehicle.

As the matter continues to deteriorate, your urgent attention and response would be appreciated,

Yours sincerely,

Sylvia Considine (#5),

and Avril Considine (#3) and Adrian Franklin (#6) on behalf of the Clanmorris Residents Association.

### Customer Services,

The residents of Clanmuarice Gardens reside opposite a boundary wall separating 33 StrandVille Gardens from Clanmuarice Gardens wish to draw your attention to the current structural state of this boundary wall. The Owner; non-resident Landlord of 33 StrandVille Gardens and his agents have over a period, altered and remodeled the structure of the boundary wall in a non-professional manner.

Herein are our observations with pictorial (overleaf) reference:

- 1. A portion of the wall was removed and rebuilt at a reduced height, I believe without Planning permission. Ref: Pic 1.
- 2. A water main was installed through the green area from Clanmuarice Gardens under the Boundary wall to the rear of 33 StrandVille Gardens. At the time *Irish* Water were notified of this development but it failed to take any action. This water pipe was installed under the boundary wall which now shows signs of structural decay. Ref: Pic 2.
- 3. Agents working for the owner removed the capping from a large section of the boundary wall again effecting the walls long term structural durability. Ref: Pic 3.
- 4. During high winds a tree at the rear of 33 StrandVille Gardens blow down and damaged a section of the boundary wall. The tree was removed and instead of replacing the boundary wall a timber fence was erected in its place. Ref: Pic 4.
- 5. The residents objected to the Owner installing a vehicle access point from Clanmuarice gardens to the rear of 33 StrandVille Gardens. It was reported to the Council who halted the development but the timber gates that were installed as part of this entry point are at still in place, the wall and support wall have not been reconstituted. Ref: Pic 5.Note: The owner regularly uses this access point to bring materials in and out of this dwelling, parking his vehicle or trailer in Clanmuarice Gardens were parking is probated (double yellow lines in place).
- 6. The lvy that has been allowed to grow over a section of the boundary wall is also a decaying element with reference to the structural integrity of the wall. Ref: Pic 6.

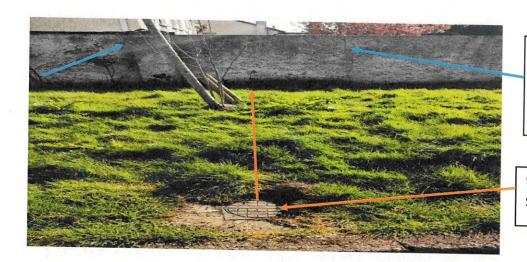
Yours Sincerely,

Clanmuarice Gardens Residents

## Pic 1.



Pic 2.



Fisher appeared both on the wall and the opposite pier

Water main to 33 StrandVille

Pic 3.



Capping removed

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Timber structure installed after tree knocked wall

Pic 5.



Road access point which was in the process of development when stopped. Underlay and gravel base removed but timber fence remained

Pic 6.



lvy growing from 33 StrandVille Gardens

#### **OBJECTING TO A PLANNING APPLICATION NUMBER: 18849**

From Residents Clanmuarice Gardens the Undersigned

Receipt Cash Office number: LA25/0/25/099585

Dear Planning Department

On reviewing the Planning Application online and the subsequent correspondence between the Planning department and the Applicant, we wish to make a further observation.

The letter dated 21/02/2019 states on page 2 of this document that the applicant proposes to replace the current plot boundary which is shown as the highlighted area. However on the drawing supplied ref: 2018.21.201 the Plot boundary wall is not accurately shown in its entirety. It appears that the applicant is calming that the boundary wall seems to stop where the applicant in the past installed twin timber gates and proceeded to create a foundation for vehicle access to the rear of this dwelling. As stated in our previous observations this access was stopped by the City Council. The roadway was returned to its original grass state however the timber gates have remained which we have objected to.

The drawing ref: 2018.21.201 claims a **right of way** is in existence on this property, this has taken us by surprise as we were not aware that such a **right of way** was present on this property. Our understanding of a **right of way** in the legal term, "establishes by usage or grant, to pass along a specific route through grounds or property belonging to another" If such a **right of way** exists it's not referenced on O.S drawing ref: 4682 which was also submitted, the O.S. map and our own property Deeds clearly shows the Boundary as a continuous boundary wall separating Clanmuarice Gardens from StrandVille Gardens no **right of way** shown. Our fear here is that the applicant is claiming that a **right of way** exists and if Planning is granted his next step would be to reactivate the rear access to this property.

Yours Sincerely, Mrs. Cora Franklin

corafranklin2018@outlook.com

### Residents Association



Reference: Planning Application 18/849 and 19/584.

Full details of each Planning Application and Observations can be obtain from the Resident association on request.

The residents of Clanmuarice Gardens reside opposite a current development site (the back garden of 33 Strandville Gardens) currently being developed by Mr. Jerry Horan (Landlord) a non-resident. Mr. Horan applied for Planning to the Authority on the 24<sup>th</sup> August 2018 reference Planning application 18/849. The development as proposed was REFUSED by the Planning Authority on the grounds that the site was being developed as a standalone Granny Flat and the boundary wall shall be maintained. Mr. Horan on this application had including the removal of a section of the boundary wall to incorporate it into his development. Mr. Horan submitted two revised drawings after being refused which were again rejected by the Planning Authority on the grounds the developed was a standalone Granny Flat.

Mr. Horan reapplied 17<sup>th</sup> June 2019 Planning reference 19/584. The residents had objected to the development but were unsuccessful, the Planning Authority granted permission with a revised construction plan. However, the residents hold the construction as developed is not compliant with proper planning and sustainable development in the area. That the construction (Planning reference 19/584) is cosmetic and breaches the First and Second Schedule in parts 7 and 10. The *development should have been fully incorporated into the existing dwelling* (33 Strandville Gardens). The only connection the development has to the existing dwelling main joists are NOT integrated into the existing dwelling just screwed to the back wall of 33 Strandville Gardens. The extension of over 10 meters in length this is not in keeping with existing extensions in the area or compliant with proper planning.

The residents hold that the development is cosmetic to facilitate the requirements of the Planning Authority and still constitutes a Granny Flat which was originally refused by the Planning Authority.

### Residents Association



Herein a brief outline of our concerns:

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- In the past (2015) the Boundary gates in question Mr. Horan proceeded to create a stone foundation to gain access from the roadway in Clanmuarice Gardens to the rear of 33 Strandville Gardens, the City Council halted the development once it was highlighted, access to the rear of 33 Strandville Gardens from Clanmuarice Gardens was closed and the ground reinstated.
- 3. In 2017 Mr. Horan had a contractor install a water main and water meter from Clanmuarice Gardens through the green area under the boundary wall to the rear of his property. Irish Water were contacted but their response was nothing could be done.
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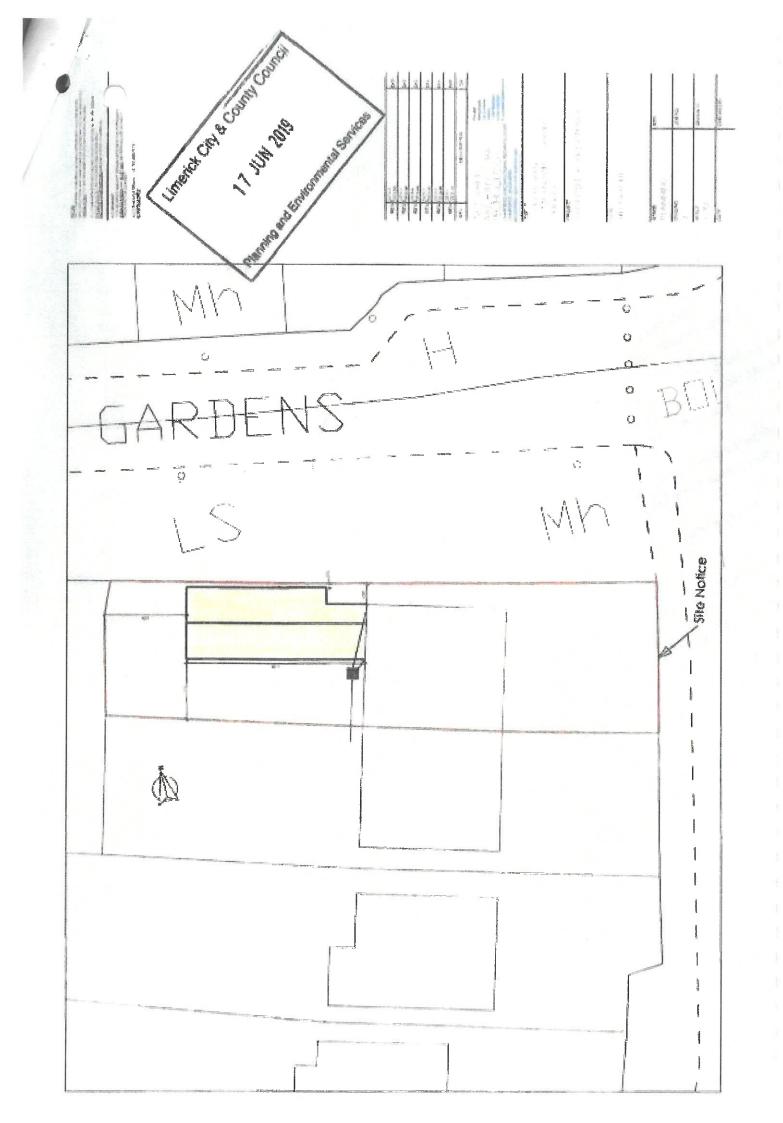
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The Residents of Clanmuarice Garden's

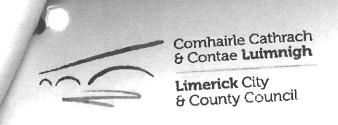
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PLANNING & ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

DC-431-19/MOB/CL

08th January 2020

Cora Franklin

RE: 33 Strandville Gardens, O' Callaghan Strand.

Dear Madam,

I refer to your e-mail dated 11<sup>th</sup> December 2019 regarding the above and wish to inform you that our records show that a gate has been in place at this location since at least 2009.

Please be advised that the Planning Authority is statute barred from taking any Enforcement proceedings in respect of development where no planning permission has been granted and the development has been in place for a period of 7 years or more.

Therefore, the Planning Authority is not in a position to confirm that the access point will be closed up, however the Council will ensure that the green area is restored.

The health and safety issues are matters for the property owners and the builders to comply with.

Accordingly, the Planning Authority will be taking no further action on this matter.

Any further queries in relation to this matter should be addressed to Michael O' Brien, Development Inspector.

Yours faithfully,

For Director of Service

Planning & Environmental Services.

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#### Campbell, Pat

From:

enforcements

Sent:

Wednesday 1 July 2020 10:33

To: Subject: Campbell, Pat FW: clanmuarice

From: cora franklin [mailto:corafranklin2018@outlook.com]

Sent: Wednesday, July 1, 2020 10:23 AM

To: enforcements < enforcements@limerick.ie>

Cc: avril considine <avril.considine@googlemail.com>

Subject: clanmuarice

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#### Dear Mr. Campbell,

Following on from our conversation this morning on the issue of the gates and access. A meeting was held with the Planning Authority in Limerick with a Mr. Michael O'Brian with Mrs Considine and a Mr Franklin. Mr O'Brien stated that the timber fence would be reclaimed and a wall rebuilt but the gates would remain. He also stated that the access was pedestrian and not vehicular. On planning references 18/849 & 19/584 there were no references to a road being built or for that matter access or the use of this area for construction. There is no reference on my deeds going back to 1962 or on the Ordinance survey of the area. In 2017 a water main and meter was installed in the green area allocated for resident car space which meant the water main was installed on private property, no recourse from Irish water.

Regards

cora



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ent:

Tuesday 30 June 2020 10:34

To:

Campbell, Pat

Subject:

FW: Warning Letter DC-049-20

**Attachments:** 

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From: Customer Services

Sent: Monday, June 29, 2020 12:11 PM

To: 'corafranklin2018@outlook.com' <corafranklin2018@outlook.com>

Subject: Warning Letter DC-049-20

Good Afternoon,

I wish to acknowledge receipt of your email re: Warning Letter DC-049-20

I have forwarded same to the relevant team for their attention and direct response to you.

Kind Regards, Alanna.

Le gach dea mhéin Seirbhisí Custaiméirí Comhairle Cathrach & Contae Luimnigh

Customer Services Limerick City & County Council Telephone: 061 556000

From: cora franklin < corafranklin2018@outlook.com >

Sent: Monday, June 29, 2020 10:52 AM

To: Customer Services < customerservices@limerick.ie>

Subject: Warning Letter DC-049-20

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#### Dear Mr Pat Campbell,

I'm writing to you with regards to your warning letter dated the 24/03/2020 attached. The situation continues to deteriorate and with the constant access to the site being abused. There has never been any barriers, warning notices or any Health and Safety guidelines being adhered to. The latest is that the contractor has marked out the green area with blue paint, a 14 ft wide area (see picture attached) for access from the public road (Clanmuarice Gardens) to the rear of his property. He intends as we have been told to install a roadway, a consignment of gravel has been delivered to the site with this in mind. In any of the two Planning applications was there any mention of

access or a road development from Clanmuarice Gardens. Can you let me know if the City Council is still progressing this matter.

Regards

Clanmuarice Residents



From:

**Customer Services** 

Sent:

Tuesday 2 June 2020 09:54

To:

Jeremiah Hogan

Subject:

RE: Your Ref: DC-049-20 Veronica Ronan, Planning and Environmental Services

Good Morning,

I wish to acknowledge receipt of your email Re:

I have forwarded same to the relevant team for their attention and direct response to you.

Kind Regards,

Alanna.

Le gach dea mhéin Seirbhisí Custaiméirí Comhairle Cathrach & Contae Luimnigh

Customer Services Limerick City & County Council Telephone: 061 556000

From: Jeremiah Horan [mailto:jerhoran@hotmail.com]

Sent: Sunday, May 31, 2020 8:48 AM

To: Customer Services < customerservices@limerick.ie>

Subject: Your Ref: DC-049-20 Veronica Ronan, Planning and Environmental Services

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Your Ref: DC-049-20

Dear Ms Ronan,

I refer to the letter dated 25/3/20 in connection with 33 Strandville Gardens. You requested my observations within 4 weeks but I am sure you will understand that matters have been put on hold due to the Covid-19 lockdown.

- 1. In relation to condition no. 1 of the Planning Permission reference 19/584, I have appointed a contractor to carry out the work and he has taken on responsibility for those issues. I have also appointed the architect to deal with planning issues and oversee the works.
- 2. The entrance from the public roadway on Clanmaurice Gardens formed part of the original planning P/78/275, granted 30/3/79.

Jeremiah Horan

#### Ronan, Veronica

From:

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Sent:

Wednesday 12 February 2020 16:44

To:

enforcements

Subject:

FW: Sylvia Considine Clanmaurice Gardens

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From: Catherine Slattery < Catherine. Slattery@oireachtas.ie > On Behalf Of Willie O'Dea

**Sent:** Wednesday 12 February 2020 16:02 **To:** plandev <planning@limerick.ie>

Subject: FW: Sylvia Considine Clanmaurice Gardens

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#### Good Afternoon

I wish to make representation on behalf of The residents of Clanmaurice Gardens please see attached letter. I would appreciate your comments please.

Yours sincerely Willie O'Dea T.D.

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# Residents Association



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Yours Sincerely

- SYLVIA CONSIDINE 087-6715906