

An
Coimisiún
Pleanála

Inspector's Report ABP-322656-25

Question

Whether an internal reconfiguration of floor space to accommodate a new item of plant which augments the current permitted manufacturing process at this location and does not involve external works other than minor fenestration revisions to an internal courtyard at Derryokane Avenue, Raheen Industrial Park, Limerick, V94VH22 is or is not Development or is or is not Exempted Development

Location

Derryokane Avenue, Raheen
Industrial Park, Limerick, V94VH22

Declaration

Planning Authority

Limerick City and County Council

Planning Authority Reg. Ref.

EC07725

Applicant for Declaration

Limerick City and County Council

Planning Authority Decision

No Declaration Issued

Referral

Referred by	Limerick City & County Council
Owner/ Occupier	Adhesive Research Ireland
Observer(s)	None
Date of Site Inspection	08 th October 2025
Inspector	Clare Clancy

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1.0 Site Location and Description

- 1.1. The referral site comprises of internal floor space within the existing manufacturing building which is the premises of Adhesive Research Ireland. It is based in Raheen Business Park. Raheen Business Park is located on the northern side of the M20 motorway on the south western suburbs of Limerick city.

2.0 The Question

- 2.1. Whether an internal reconfiguration of floor space to accommodate a new item of plant which augments the current permitted manufacturing process at this location and does not involve external works other than minor fenestration revisions to an internal courtyard is or is not development and is or is not exempted development.

3.0 Planning Authority Declaration

3.1. Declaration

On the 09th April 2025, a request for a Declaration in accordance with Section 5 of the Planning and Development Act 2000 (as amended) on the above question was received by Limerick City and County Council from Adhesive Research Ireland (first party).

In accordance with Section 5(4) of the Planning and Development Act 2000 (as amended), Limerick City and County Council did not make a determination and referred the question to An Coimisiún Pleanála on 27th May 2025 for determination.

3.2. Planning Authority Reports

3.2.1. Planning Reports

The report of the planning authority dated 05th May 2025 notes the following:

- Notes that the proposed development on site comprising change of use from office space to production area and the internal reconfiguration of floor space to accommodate a new item of plant which augments the current permitted manufacturing process at the location, and does not involve external works

other than minor fenestration revisions to an internal courtyard constituted 'works' and 'development'.

- It was concluded that the proposal did not fall under any class as detailed in Part 1 or Part 2 of Schedule 2 of the Planning and Development Regulations 2001 (as amended).
- It was concluded that the proposed development was not restricted by any of the restrictions in Article 9 of the Planning and Development Regulations 2001 (as amended).
- At time of assessment of the Section 5 Referral, it was noted that a current application was pending decision with An Coimisiún Pleanála under ABP Ref. 321828-25 related to the proposed works. On that basis, the planning officer considered that the subject referral should be assessed by An Coimisiún Pleanála.

3.2.2. Other Technical Reports

None.

4.0 Planning History

Appeal Site

- P.A. Ref. 94/966 - Permission was granted for the development of two light industrial warehousing units.
- P.A. Ref. 97/872 - Permission was granted for the development of the Adhesive Tape Manufacturing facility.
- P.A. Ref. 07/2985 - Permission was granted for the construction of a two-storey research and development extension to the front (north-east) side of the existing building. The proposed extension comprised of research and development laboratories, with associated support offices and ancillary accommodation all with associated site works and including an extension to the existing carpark located on the north-eastern side of the site.
- P.A. Ref. 10/297 - Permission was granted for revisions to Reg. Ref. 07/2985 permission for two-storey research and development support building. Revised

proposal comprised of the construction of a single storey research and development building of similar footprint, including associated offices, canteen and ancillary facilities linked to the existing building with car parking and all other associated site works.

- P.A. Ref. 17/1185 - Permission was granted for the construction of a workshop/storeroom and all associated works located at the rear of the existing building.
- P.A. Ref. 19/156 - Permission was granted for the construction of a workshop/storeroom and all associated works located at the rear of the existing building.
- ABP Ref. 321828-25 – Permission granted for change of use of office space to production space (12th June 2025).

5.0 Relevant Commission Decisions

I have undertaken a review of the Commission's referrals database for referrals of a similar nature to that which is the subject of this referral. The following is relevant:

5.1.1. PL06D.RL.3073

Whether the change of use from a secondary school to a primary school and secondary school at Saint Tiernan's Community School, Parkvale, Sandyford Road, Dublin is or is not development or is or is not exempted development.

The Board determined that:

- the established use of the structure on site is a school
- there are no adverse impacts in terms of traffic safety and no other material impacts arising from the proposed use of part of the secondary school as a primary school; and
- there is no material change of use from a secondary school contained within the existing school structure.

The Board decided that the change of use from a secondary school to a primary and secondary school is not development

5.1.2. ABP Ref. PL29C.RL.3137

The Board determined that the change of use from a furniture manufacturing facility to a whiskey distillery at 33 Mill Street, Dublin 8 was development and was not exempted development, as there was no authorisation to use the site to an industrial use, the change of use was material and there were no planning exemptions allowing for the change of use (3rd February 2014).

5.1.3. ABP-304098-19

The Board determined that the change of use from furniture manufacturer and storage facility to a commercial self-storage facility at 132a Richmond Road, Dublin 3 is development and is not exempted development. In this regard, the previous use of the site for light industrial purposes as a saw mill for furniture manufacturing and associated storage and change to the current use of the site for commercial self-storage, constitutes a change of use, which is considered to be a material change of use and is, therefore, development. The Board conclude from the planning history of the site that the commercial self-storage use was not an authorised use nor commenced prior to the 1st day of October 1963. (17th January 2020).

6.0 Policy Context

6.1. Limerick City and County Development Plan 2022-2028

- The subject site is zoned 'High Tech/Manufacturing Campus'.

Zoning Objective:

'To provide for office, research and development, high technology, regional distribution/ logistics, manufacturing and processing type employment in a high quality built and landscaped campus style environment'.

Purpose:

To facilitate opportunities for high technology, advanced manufacturing including pharmaceutical and food production, major office, regional distribution/ logistics, and research and development-based employment, within high quality, highly accessible, campus style settings. The zoning is for high value-added businesses and corporate facilities that have extensive/specific land requirements, such as

those located at Raheen Business Park and the National Technology Park. These businesses are generally not accessible to members of the public. Retail warehousing will not be acceptable in this zone.

6.2. Natural Heritage Designations

- Lower River Shannon Special Area of Conservation (Site Code 002165) is located circa 2.8km north of the subject site.
- River Shannon and River Fergus Estuaries Special Protection Area (Site Code 004077) is located circa 3.4km north of the subject site.
- Loughmore Common Turlough, a proposed Natural Heritage Area (Site Code 00438), is located circa 970m north-west of the subject site.

7.0 The Referral

7.1. Referrer's Case

7.1.1. The following is a summary of the main issues raised by the referrer in the Referral:

- There is a planning application pending decision with An Coimisiún Pleanála ABP Ref. 321825-25 refers. Following consideration of a request by the applicant to provide a first party response to the third party planning appeal, it was concluded that the application was not required in the first instance. Consequently the company have purchased equipment and the decision of the planning application is delayed due to the third party appeal.
- The works involved are internal with only some minor fenestration changes to a non-public realm facing elevation to an inner courtyard area.
- The works do not involve any drainage or water supply requirements.
- The original manufacturing process remains the same with the machine involved only introduced to cut the adhesive tape to customer requirements.
- There is no intensification of use involved in this proposal as the process will only require 2 – 3 additional staff. 65 staff are employed across 2 shifts. The

on-site facilities i.e. car parking, canteen, staff changing areas etc can accommodate up to 100 staff.

- Any changes or alteration to the plant internally will be the subject of revisions to the existing FSC and DAC through normal building control processes.

7.2. Planning Authority Response

None.

7.3. Owner / Occupier's Response

- 7.3.1. On 13th August 2025, the owner Adhesive Research Ireland Ltd sought a withdrawal of the Section 5 referral. An Coimisiún Pleanála advised the owner that as the Section 5 referral was referred by Limerick City and County Council, it is only they who may withdraw the referral, having regard to Section 140(1)(a) of the Planning and Development Act 2000 (as amended).

7.4. Further Responses

None.

8.0 Statutory Provisions

8.1. Planning and Development Act, 2000

8.1.1. Section 2(1) Definitions:

'alteration' includes (a) plastering or painting or the removal of plaster or stucco, or (b) the replacement of a door, window or roof, that materially alters the external appearance of a structure so as to render the appearance inconsistent with the character of the structure or neighbouring structures;

'development' has the meaning assigned to it by Section 3;

'works' includes any act or operation of construction, excavation, demolition, extension, alteration, repair or renewal and, in relation to a protected structure or proposed protected structure, includes any act or operation involving the application

or removal of plaster, paint, wallpaper, tiles or other material to or from the surfaces of the interior or exterior of a structure.

8.1.2. Section 3(1) Development:

'development' means, except where the context otherwise requires, the carrying out of works on, in, over or under land or the making of any material change in the use of any structures or over land.

8.1.3. Section 4(1) Exempted Development:

Section 4(1)(h) providing for the carrying out of works for the maintenance, improvement or alteration of any structure that only affect the interior of the structure or which do not materially affect the external appearance so as to render it inconsistent with the character of neighbouring structures.

8.1.4. Section 4(2) of the Act provides that the Minister may, by regulations, provide for any class of development to be exempted development. The main regulations made under this provision are the Planning and Development Regulations 2001-2020.

8.1.5. Section 4(4) (Environmental Impact Assessment or Appropriate Assessment) Notwithstanding paragraphs (a), (i), (ia) and (l) of subsection (1) and any regulations under subsection (2), development shall not be exempted development if an environmental impact assessment or an appropriate assessment of the development is required.

8.1.6. Section 177U (9) (Appropriate Assessment)

In deciding upon a declaration or a referral under Section 5 of this Act a Planning Authority or the Board, as the case may be, shall where appropriate, conduct a screening for appropriate assessment in accordance with the provisions of this section.

8.2. Planning and Development Regulations, 2001

8.2.1. Article 5(1) within Part 2 referring to 'exempted development' provides the following definitions that are relevant:

'industrial building' means a structure (not being a shop, or a structure in or adjacent to and belonging to a quarry or mine) used for the carrying on of any industrial process;

"industrial process" means any process which is carried on in the course of trade or business, other than agriculture, and which is-

(a) for or incidental to the making of any article or part of an article, or for or incidental to the altering, repairing, ornamenting, finishing, cleaning, washing, packing, canning, adapting for sale, breaking up or demolition of any article, including the getting, dressing or treatment of minerals,

and for the purposes of this paragraph, "article" includes-

- (i) a vehicle, aircraft, ship or vessel, or
- (ii) a sound recording, film, broadcast, cable programme, publication and computer program or other original database;

8.2.2. Article 10(1) of the Regulations states that development, which consists of a change of use within one of the classes of use specified in Part 4 of Schedule 2, shall be exempted development for the purposes of the Act, provided that the development, if carried out would not, inter alia –

(a) involve the carrying out of any works other than works which are exempted development,

(b) contravene a condition attached to a permission under the Act,

(c) be inconsistent with any use specified or included in such a permission, or

(d) be a development where the existing use is an unauthorised use, save where such change of use consists of the resumption of a use which is not unauthorised and which has not been abandoned.

8.2.3. Part 4 of Schedule 2 to the Regulations specifies that:

- Class 3 refers to use as an office, other than a use to which class 2 of this Part of this Schedule applies.

9.0 Assessment

9.1. Introduction

9.1.1. The question as asked by the Referrer Adhesive Research Ireland, is whether an internal reconfiguration of floor space to accommodate a new item of plant which

augments the current permitted manufacturing process at this location and does not involve external works other than minor fenestration revisions to an internal courtyard, is or is not development, and is or is not exempted development.

- 9.1.2. Upon review of the plans and drawings submitted with the referral and pursuant to site inspection, I note for the Commission that the question posed relates to the same floor area which was granted permission under P.A. Ref. 24/384, ABP Ref. 321828-25 for the change of use within a current administration area from open plan office space to a production area, within the existing manufacturing building. I proposed to address this matter later in my report.
- 9.1.3. Notwithstanding the foregoing, it is noted that the purpose of this referral is not to determine the acceptability or otherwise of the above proposal in terms of the proper planning and sustainable development of the area or in terms of compliance with planning permission, but rather whether or not the matter in question constitutes development and if so, falls within the scope of exempted development.

9.2. Is or Is Not Development

- 9.2.1. As per Section 3(1) of the Planning and Development 2000 (as amended), "development" is the carrying out of any works on, in, or under land or the making of any material change in the use of any such structures or other land.
- 9.2.2. The existing premises operates as a manufacturing plant for adhesive products and is located in Raheen Business Park. I note from the planning history relating to the site that the established use of the site as permitted by P.A. Ref. 94/966 was for 2 no. light industrial warehousing units. It is evident that the use of the site has evolved and intensified since. In this regard, I note that Adhesive Research Ireland is an international pharmaceutical / technological company established in Raheen Business Park since 1999 and has sales, R&D, manufacturing and quality based operations being undertaken within the existing development. Product production includes for high-performance adhesives, tapes, speciality films, tapes, coatings, laminates, release liners and drug delivery technologies.
- 9.2.3. Based on the information on the file, my site visit and the planning history related to the site, I am satisfied that the existing premises is an 'industrial building' and carries

out 'industrial processes', having regard to the meanings set out in Article 5(1) of the Planning and Development Regulations 2001 (as amended).

- 9.2.4. The first issue therefore is whether the use of the floor area for manufacturing production is development. Pursuant to site inspection, I observed that the internal floor area of where it is proposed to locate the manufacturing production area relates to an open plan office administration area. In this regard, a change of use arises.

The Question of Whether or Not a Material Change of Use has Occurred

- 9.2.5. For such change of use to be classified as 'development', it must be a material change of use. 'Material' in this context means material in planning terms, i.e. whether the issues raised by a change of use would raise matters that would normally be considered by a planning authority if dealing with an application for planning permission, such as traffic safety, residential amenity, or policy issues in relation to statutory plans (Monaghan County Council v Brogan [1987] I.R. 333 [S.C]).
- 9.2.6. In examining the effects of the change of use on the adjoining areas, the issue of intensification of use arises. Given the established use of the site which comprises of an existing industrial building carrying out manufacturing processes related to the production of adhesive products as well as accommodating office administration, the proposed production area accords with the zoning objective of the site. The referrer states that the operation of the equipment would amount to 2-3 people and currently 65 staff are employed at the site. It is further stated that car parking on site can facilitate up to 100 personnel. I note therefore that adequate levels of car parking is facilitated on site as well as other staff welfare facilities. Surface water run off is managed by an existing surface water network on site that is connected to the public foul sewer. In this regard, I do not consider that the reconfiguration of the floor space will generate additional surface water within the building. The use will also operate in line with the existing business hours of operation.
- 9.2.7. Having regard to the foregoing, and in considering the materiality of the change of use in the context of the proper planning and sustainable development of the area, I am satisfied that the reconfigured floor space to accommodate new manufacturing plant equipment within the existing building does not in my opinion constitute a material change in the use of the overall premises, and is therefore not 'development'.

Proposed Fire Escape Door

- 9.2.8. In terms of the minor works described with regard to the provision of a new fire escape door, this in my opinion will require minimal physical intervention.
- 9.2.9. The works are described to be carried out to an internal courtyard area which is adjacent to the floor space to be reconfigured. The works entail minor fenestration revisions to include the provision of a new fire escape door from the floor space as indicated on DWG Floor Plan, to the inner courtyard as identified on the drawing. The provision of the new fire escape door comes within the scope of "works" as defined in Section 2 of the Act which constitutes development.

9.3. Is or is not Exempted Development

- 9.3.1. Should the Coimisiún not agree and considers that a material change of use has occurred, the question then arises as to whether the material change of use is exempted development. In addition, the works to be carried out to facilitate the provision of a new fire escape door are also to be considered in terms of whether it is or is not exempted development.

Authorised Use

- 9.3.2. I refer the Coimisiún to the planning history of the site with regard to the authorised use of the site vis a vis the development the subject of this referral. In this regard, the Coimisiún upheld the decision of the PA in relation to P.A. Ref. 24/384, ABP Ref. 321828-25 for the change of use within a current administration area from open plan office space to a production area, within the existing manufacturing building. At time of site inspection, it was evident to me that the permission had not commenced as the floor area had not been reconfigured as per the DWG floor plan submitted with the appeal. Therefore, while the use of the floor area is authorised by the aforementioned permission, I do not consider that the permission had been implemented/carried out.

Change of Use

- 9.3.3. Article 10(1) of the Planning and Development Regulations 2001 (as amended) states that development, which consists of a change of use within one of the classes of use specified in Part 4 of Schedule 2, shall be exempted development for the purposes of the Act. In this case, the current use of the floor area for office administration Class 3

(use as an office other than a use to which class 2 of Part 4 of Schedule 2 applies). The proposed use is for an industrial process to be undertaken within an existing 'industrial building'. The proposed use does not come within any of the classes of use, as set out in Part 4 of Schedule 2. Therefore the reconfiguration of the floor space to accommodate a new item of plan for the purposes of a manufacturing process is development, and would not be exempted development because there is no provision in the Act or the Regulations by which it would be exempted.

Proposed Fire Escape Door

- 9.3.4. The proposed fire escape door will be opened from the reconfigured floor space to the area identified as the inner courtyard on DWG Floor Plan submitted with the referral.
- 9.3.5. In terms of whether or not the development, is or is not exempted development, I refer to Section 4(1)(h) of the Act which provides for an exemption for such works described in the referral. In this regard, development consisting of works for the maintenance, improvement or alteration of any structure that only affect the interior of the structure, or which do not materially affect the external appearance so as to render it inconsistent with the character of neighbouring structures.
- 9.3.6. I note that the proposed fire escape door relates to the internal confines of the existing building. I am therefore satisfied that the proposed fire escape door does not materially affect the external appearance of the structure so as to render the appearance inconsistent with the character of the existing structure or indeed any neighbouring structures, given that it will not be visible to any but those working in the building. I am therefore satisfied that the proposed fire escape door is development that is exempted development having regard to Section 4(1)(h) of the Planning and Development Act 2000 (as amended).

9.4. Restrictions on Exempted Development

- 9.4.1. The restrictions on exemptions provided in Article 9 of the Planning and Development Regulations, 2001 (as amended) relate exclusively to Article 6 of the Planning and Development Regulations 2001 (as amended) which refers to classes of development specified in Part 1, Schedule 2 of the Planning and Development Regulations 2001 (as amended). Therefore it is not applicable in this case.

- 9.4.2. Article 10(1) of the Planning and Development Regulations 2001 (amended) is not applicable in this case, as no change of use occurs within any one of the classes of use specified in Part 4 of Schedule 2.
- 9.4.3. I note that there is no provision in the Planning and Development Act 2000 (as amended) or the Planning and Development Regulations 2000 (as amended) which places restriction on exempted development under Section 4 of the Act and exempted development under Section 4 of the Act is not subject to restrictions on exemption under Article 9 of the Planning and Development Regulations 2001 (as amended).
- 9.4.4. I note for the Commission that the requirement for appropriate assessment or Environmental Impact Assessment would de-exempt an otherwise exempted development. In this regard, the Appropriate Assessment Screening and the EIA Screening carried out as part of this report are addressed in Section 9.5 and 9.6 of this report.

10.0 AA Screening

- 10.1.1. I have considered the proposed development in light of the requirements S177U of the Planning and Development Act 2000 as amended.
- 10.1.2. The referral appeal site is located within an existing manufacturing building in the Raheen Business Park. The closest European sites relative to the appeal site lie approximately as follows:
- Lower River Shannon SAC (Site Code 002165) – lies approx. 2.8 km to the north of the site.
 - River Shannon and River Fergus Estuaries (Site Code 004077) – lies approx. 3.4 km north of the site.
- 10.1.3. The subject application relates to a Section 5 Referral seeking a declaration on specific works as set out in Section 2.0 above.
- 10.1.4. The planning authority considered that the proposed development should not exercise a significant effect on the conservation status of any SAC or SPA, and Appropriate Assessment is not necessary.

10.1.5. No watercourses are noted to be shown located at or in the immediate vicinity of the appeal site.

10.1.6. Having considered the nature, scale and location of the project, I am satisfied that it can be eliminated from further assessment because it could not have any effect on a European Site. The reason for this conclusion is as follows:

- The nature, scale and location of the development.
- The distance between the appeal site and the nearest European sites and the weak indirect connections to the European site.
- Taking into account the screening report by the PA,

10.1.7. I conclude, on the basis of objective information, that the proposed development would not have a likely significant effect on any European Site either alone or in combination with other plans or projects. Likely significant effects are excluded and therefore Appropriate Assessment (under Section 177V of the Planning and Development Act 2000) is not required.

11.0 EIA Screening

The proposed development does not come within the definition of a 'project' for the purposes of EIA, that is, it does not comprise construction works, demolition or intervention in the natural surroundings. Refer to Form 1 appended to this report.

12.0 Recommendation

12.1. Having regard to the above, I consider that the reconfiguration of floor space to accommodate a new item of plant which augments the current permitted manufacturing process at this location does not amount to a change of use from office space to production space in this case, and does not constitute development. Accordingly, I recommend an Order in the following terms:

WHEREAS a question has arisen as to whether an internal reconfiguration of floor space to accommodate a new item of plant which augments the current permitted manufacturing process at this location and does not involve

external works other than minor fenestration revisions to an internal courtyard, is or is not development or is or is not exempted development:

AND WHEREAS Adhesive Research Ireland requested a declaration on this question from Limerick City and County Council and the Council did not issue a declaration on the matter:

AND WHEREAS Limerick City and County Council referred this declaration for review to An Coimisiún Pleanála on the 27th day of May, 2025 under Section 5(4) of the Planning and Development Act 2000 (as amended):

AND WHEREAS An Coimisiún Pleanála, in considering this referral, had regard particularly to –

- (a) Section 2(1) of the Planning and Development Act, 2000, as amended,
- (b) Section 3(1) of the Planning and Development Act, 2000,
- (c) Section 4(1)(a) of the Planning and Development Act, 2000, as amended,
- (d) Article 5 and 10 of the Planning and Development Regulations, 2001, as amended,
- (e) the planning history of the site,
- (f) the nature of the current use of the site
- (g) the provisions of the Limerick City and County Development Plan 2022-2028:

AND WHEREAS An Coimisiún Pleanála has concluded that –

- (a) the established use of the site is an 'industrial' building comprising of processing and production space and office space within the meaning

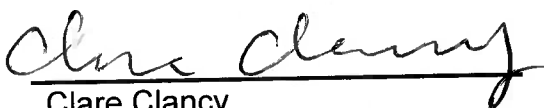
of Article 5(1) of the Planning and Development Act 2000 (as amended), and;

(b) the reconfiguration of the open plan office administration floor space to accommodate a new item of plant for manufacturing processing does not constitute development, as no material change of use arises, within the meaning of Section 3 of the Planning and Development Act 2000 (as amended), and;

(c) the works to amend the fenestration to an internal courtyard to provide a new fire escape door will not materially affect the external appearance of the building so as to render it inconsistent with the character of neighbouring structures is exempted development pursuant to Section 4(1)(h) of the Planning and Development Regulations 2001 (as amended).

NOW THEREFORE An Coimisiún Pleanála, in exercise of the powers conferred on it by Section 5(3)(4) of the Planning and Development 2000 (as amended), hereby decides that the internal reconfiguration of floor space to accommodate a new item of plant which augments the current permitted manufacturing process at this location is not development, and the works to amend the fenestration to an internal courtyard to provide a new fire escape door is development and is exempted development.

I confirm that this report represents my professional planning assessment, judgement and opinion on the matter assigned to me and that no person has influenced or sought to influence, directly or indirectly, the exercise of my professional judgement in an improper or inappropriate way.



Clare Clancy
Planning Inspector

17th October 2025

Form 1 - EIA Pre-Screening

Case Reference	ABP-322656-25
Proposed Development Summary	Whether an internal reconfiguration of floor space to accommodate a new item of plant which augments the current permitted manufacturing process at this located and does not involve external works other than minor fenestration revisions to an internal courtyard is or is not development and is or is not exempted development.
Development Address	Derryokane Avenue, Raheen Industrial Park, Limerick
	In all cases check box /or leave blank
1. Does the proposed development come within the definition of a 'project' for the purposes of EIA? (For the purposes of the Directive, "Project" means: - The execution of construction works or of other installations or schemes, - Other interventions in the natural surroundings and landscape including those involving the extraction of mineral resources)	☐ Yes, it is a 'Project'. Proceed to Q2. ☒ No, No further action required.
2. Is the proposed development of a CLASS specified in Part 1, Schedule 5 of the Planning and Development Regulations 2001 (as amended)?	
☐ Yes, it is a Class specified in Part 1. EIA is mandatory. No Screening required. EIAR to be requested. Discuss with ADP.	State the Class here
☐ No, it is not a Class specified in Part 1. Proceed to Q3	
3. Is the proposed development of a CLASS specified in Part 2, Schedule 5, Planning and Development Regulations 2001 (as amended) OR a prescribed type of proposed road development under Article 8 of Roads Regulations 1994, AND does it meet/exceed the thresholds?	

☐ No, the development is not of a Class Specified in Part 2, Schedule 5 or a prescribed type of proposed road development under Article 8 of the Roads Regulations, 1994. No Screening required.	
☐ Yes, the proposed development is of a Class and meets/exceeds the threshold. EIA is Mandatory. No Screening Required	State the Class and state the relevant threshold
☐ Yes, the proposed development is of a Class but is sub-threshold. Preliminary examination required. (Form 2) OR If Schedule 7A information submitted proceed to Q4. (Form 3 Required)	State the Class and state the relevant threshold

4. Has Schedule 7A information been submitted AND is the development a Class of Development for the purposes of the EIA Directive (as identified in Q3)?	
Yes ☐	
No ☒	Pre-screening determination conclusions remains as above (Q1 to Q3)

Inspector: Clare Clarry Date: 17/10/2025