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Good afternoon,

Please find attached Louth County Council's planners appeal statement for the above Section 5 Declaration.

Kind regards, Niamh Lynch Planning Office

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LOUTH COUNTY COUNCIL

Róisín Dwyer Administrative Assistant An Bord Pleanála 64 Marlborough Street Dublin 1 D01 V902

03rd July 2025

Re:

Whether the erection of a 2m high security fencing around a site affected by knotweed until such time as the knotweed is eradicated by specialists is or is not development and is or is not exempt development at

Lands at Mullach Allain, Omeath, Co. Louth

Section 5 2025/24

An Bord Pleanála Ref: ABP-322683-25

Dear Sir/Madam,

I refer to your letter of 06th June 2025 in relation to the above and enclose herewith planners submission as requested.

Yours faithfully,

Niamh Lynch

Planning Office

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PLANNNING OBSERVATION IN RESPECT OF FILE REF. NO. S5 2025/24 (ABP-322683-25)

LOUTH COUNTY COUNCIL

INTRODUCTION

A Declaration of Exemption was refused by the Planning Authority on 14th April 2025 in respect of 'The erection of a 2m high security fencing around a site affected by knotweed until such time as the knotweed is eradicated by specialists.'

Proposal

The development consisted of:

'The erection of a 2m high security fencing around a site affected by knotweed until such time as the knotweed is eradicated by specialists.

Reasons for works are not exempt:

From an assessment of the Plans and Particulars including drawing No.4033-S5-002 it is apparent that the question pertains to the exemption status an existing fence. This fence exceeds 2 metres in height.

Grounds of Appeal:

Having reviewed the documentation submitted as part of this appeal including the Planning Appeal Form and correspondence between the Appellant and the Planning Authority's Planning Enforcement Team, the Appellant has raised, inter alia, the planning history and an ongoing property dispute as Grounds of Appeal.

Response of the Planning Authority

Having regard to the plans and particulars with accompanied the applicant and those that accompanied the appeal submission including Question 5 on the Planning Appeal Form Paragraph 9 (h) (iv) which reaffirms that the fencing subject to this application is the fencing that is currently in-situ. There is no dispute within the documentation that the subject fencing is over 2 metres in height.

Conclusion

The Planning Authority respectfully requests that An Coimisiún Pleanála uphold the decision of this Declaration of Exemption as not exempt.

Eamonn McArdle

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Executive Planner

Date: 25/06/2025