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08 JUN 2026	
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Response ID 6a27368564b4e62c8def7291

Date submitted 08/06/2026

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What type of appeal are you making?	Third-party appeal (I am appealing the planning authority's decision regarding someone else's application)
Have you made a submission on this development to the relevant planning authority?	Yes
Select the statement that applies to you	I am the appellant
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Appeal type

This section will determine the type of appeal you wish to make and calculate the fee involved. If you qualify for the reduced fee, only that amount will be charged.

Do you wish to request an oral hearing?	No
Please confirm the following fee details are correct:	Yes

Appellant/company details

This section is for details of the person/company who is making the appeal. If you are an agent submitting an appeal on behalf of a person/company, please include their details on this page. You can submit your agent details on the next page if applicable

Appellant's full name/Company name	Elliott Coffey
Is the appellant/company's address in the Republic of Ireland?	Yes
Address	TARA COTTAGE BRACKLONEY BALLYJAMESDUFF CAVAN A82D361 Ireland
Is there more than one appellant associated with this appeal?	No

Please be advised that An Coimisiún Pleanála will only correspond with one appellant throughout the appeal process. If you wish to include further appellants on the appeal you may do so in your grounds to appeal document. If the appeal is a third party appeal, you must ensure that you have a planning authority submission acknowledgement letter for each appellant listed. This must be uploaded with your appeal documents.

Details about the proposed development

This section asks for details about the planning authority decision you wish to appeal

Planning authority	Donegal County Council
Planning authority register reference number	s526/56
Address of proposed development	TINNEY'S COAL BONAGEE LETTERKENNY DONEGAL F92H2AH

Ireland

Grounds for appeal

****You can also attach further supporting materials on the next page****

Supporting material

If you wish you can include supporting materials with your appeal. Supporting materials include photographs, plans, surveys, drawings, technical guidance documents and so on.

Please note An Coimisiún Pleanála will receive a complete copy of documents/drawings/maps that were submitted at planning authority stage. When submitting supporting material, please only include new documents. (This does not apply to third party appeals where we will always require a copy of your planning authority submission acknowledgement letter.)

If you have added attachments, submitting the form may take a few moments. Thanks for your patience.

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Elliott Coffey
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7th June 2026

An Coimisiún Pleanála
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Reference of Section 5 Application to An Coimisiún Pleanála

Donegal County Council Ref: S526/56 – CEO Number: 2026PH1275

Dear Sir / Madam;

I wish to refer the above matter to the Commission on the basis that the decision reached by the local authority is;

1. **Irrational** – There is no justification as to how the development does not fall within the exempted development allowable under Class 37. On a prima facie overview of the matter, it appears to comply with the requirements of exempt development *inter alia* under class 37. The local authority sponsored the said activity which it now claims is unauthorised development.
2. **Not properly reasoned** – There is an abhorrent lack of information provided to support the assertion that the development is not considered exempt. The rationale given by the local authority is;

“The proposal IS DEVELOPMENT within the meaning of the Planning and Development Act, 2000 (as amended); and IS NOT EXEMPTED DEVELOPMENT under:

- *Section 4(4) of the Planning and Development Act 2000 (as amended) as the environmental impacts of the said use are such that it requires to be the subject of an Appropriate Assessment and*
- *Article 9(1)(a) (viiB) of the abovementioned regulations for the same reason.”*

The decision does not state why an appropriate assessment is required, it refers vaguely to environmental impacts but does not specify how these impacts are considered measured or estimated. It does not provide any detail on how this may be differentiated from a local event such as a tractor show or vintage car show. The local authority does not provide a suitably reasoned decision which is a requirement in making any decision under a statutory authority. I refer to the decision of the Supreme Court in *Connelly v. An Bord Pleanála* [2018] IESC 31.

In respect of the above I formally request that the within Section 5 application and decision be reviewed by the Commission.

If you require any further information, please contact me by email
Elliott.coffey123@gmail.com

Yours sincerely,

Elliott Coffey

Elliott Coffey

The within appeal and documentation is delivered electronically.

The Appellant herein submitted the original Section 5 Application and has standing to file this appeal, having paid the fees as required by statute.



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Ref. No: S526/56

16 April 20026

Elliott Coffey
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DECLARATION ON DEVELOPMENT & EXEMPTED DEVELOPMENT

Re: Application for a Section 5 Declaration –Carrying out of Motorsport events on an occassional basis for no more than 29 days aggregate in any one calendar year with no event lasting more than 4 days in any one instance at Tinneys Coal, Bonagee, Letterkenny, Co. Donegal

A Chara,

I wish to acknowledge receipt of your application for a Section 5 Declaration which was received on 15th April 2026.

Donegal County Council
Planning Services



SECTION 5 APPLICATION

FOR DECLARATION ON DEVELOPMENT AND EXEMPTED DEVELOPMENT

Completed application form & supporting documentation to be returned to the Planning Authority by email to planning@donegalcoco.ie

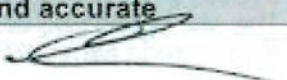
Name of Applicant(s):	ELLIOTT COFFEY
Agent Name: (if applicable)	
Location of Proposed Development / Works: (Townland or postal address as appropriate and Eircode if available)	TINNEY'S COAL BONAGEE LETTERKENNY CO. DONEGAL F92 H2AH + SURROUNDING AREA. AS PER ATTACHED MAPS
Description of Proposed Development including details of works (where applicable): (Only works listed below will be assessed under this section 5 application)	
The Site Currently is subject to planning permission; Ref: 2150424 Applicant, STARRUS ECO HOLDINGS LTD (T/A PANDA/GREENSTAR) as a waste transfer station. Also Ref 2460379 Applicant John Barry The site comprises of FolioS DL67440F and DL22947, the adjoining lands the Current Registered Owner is Barry Fuels Limited. The carrying out of Motorsport events on an occasional basis no more than 29 days aggregate in any one calendar year with no event lasting more than 4 days in any one instance. Less than 5,000 participants / spectators at any one event. The Motorsport being primarily car showing and car diffing events and all ancillary activities on a for profit and charitable basis. This activity is to be conducted on existing concrete hardstands, the areas being defined on the ground by concrete movable barriers, all associated signage, pedestrian access and temporary barriers. The making of temporary spectator areas, the placing of temporary toilets, food vans, mobile retail units, to serve persons attending the event. The temporary use of loudspeaker equipment. - The site to be remediated after each event. The temporary use of the site and adjoining lands (both aggregate and green field) for the parking of vehicles attending the said events. The said events have been running for a number of years however the applicant herein now wished to establish a definitive answer that the "development" is exempted development owing to its occasional use in accordance with the Planning and Development Regulations 2001. The activities and site have been previously supported by the local authority by means of sponsorship and support. the Garda have also supported this event.	

SEE ADDITIONAL
INFORMATION



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Is the development a Protected Structure or within the curtilage of a Protected Structure?	Yes	No
		x
Has a declaration under Section 57 of the Planning and Development Act 2000 (as amended) been requested or issued in respect of the property.	Yes	No
		x
Applicant(s) Interest in the site:	The applicant does not require a current interest in the site, the application is speculative however within the provisions of Section 5.	
If not the Owner of the site, please provide the name of the Landowner:	Barry Fuels Limited	
Please list types of plans, drawings etc. submitted with this application:	Photographs of events, which vary in set up, aerial view of site. The planning application, which the local authority has in its custody	
Planning History - list any relevant planning application reference numbers:	2150424, 2460379	
Are you aware of any enforcement proceedings connected to the site? If so, please supply details:	Not aware of any enforcement proceedings.	

I hereby certify that the information provided is true and accurate	
Signature of Applicant/Agent:	By EMAIL - Elliott Coffey 
Date:	7th April 2026

SEE ADDITIONAL
INFORMATION.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION WHICH FORMS PART OF THE SECTION 5 APPLICATION

This application is made in accordance with the provisions of Section 5 of the Planning and Development Act 2000 as amended. The applicant herein does not have any current interest in the site the development and site the subject of this application. The applicant herein relies on the "*any person*" provision of Section 5 (1) of the Planning and Development Act 2000 as amended. This is in addition to the Aarhus Convention which provides for the question to be asked without a risk of unnecessary costs.

The applicant believes that the within matter is a matter of public importance and raises questions of environmental concern and issues relating to the occasional use of land for events, the key questions under S.5 are.

- Is this activity considered development?
- If the first answer is in the affirmative, is this development considered exempt development?
- If the answer to the second question is that the activity is exempt development, under what provision is the development exempt development?
- If the activity is not exempt, what has the local authority done to prevent such development continuing?

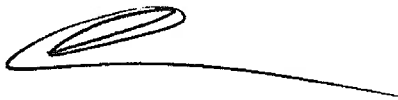
The applicant herein relies on the planning files held by the local authority to establish the site layout and location of the development and does not engage unnecessary costs to establish the question which is put to the Local Authority under the provisions of Section 5. The applicant herein refers and relies on the provisions of Article 9 of the Aarhus Convention, and a number of European Directives.

The applicant does not believe Section 5 of the Planning and Development act requires the submissions of plans etc as requested in the attached form. The plain and ordinary meaning of the legislation does not provide a requirement for the form created by the planning authority.

The applicant believes that the multitude of photographs and information of previous events provide sufficient evidence of the type and scale of potential development on this site. The nature of the event is not fixed and the layout and provisions for spectators and participants varies from day to day.

The applicant herein does not believe that further information is required to assess the Section 5 application but remains willing to supply whatever information is necessary should the local authority require same under Section 5(2)(b).

Yours Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Elliott Coffey', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Elliott Coffey

Declaration and referral on development and exempted development.

5.—(1) If any question arises as to what, in any particular case, is or is not development or is or is not exempted development within the meaning of this Act, any person may, on payment of the prescribed fee, request in writing from the relevant planning authority a declaration on that question, and that person shall provide to the planning authority any information necessary to enable the authority to make its decision on the matter.

(2) (a) Subject to F56[*paragraphs (b) and (ba)*], a planning authority shall issue the declaration on the question that has arisen and the main reasons and considerations on which its decision is based to the person who made the request under *subsection (1)*, and, where appropriate, the owner and occupier of the land in question, within 4 weeks of the receipt of the request.

(b) A planning authority may require any person who made a request under *subsection (1)* to submit further information with regard to the request in order to enable the authority to issue the declaration on the question and, where further information is received under this paragraph, the planning authority shall issue the declaration within 3 weeks of the date of the receipt of the further information.

F57[(ba)(i) Subject to *subparagraph (ii)*, a planning authority shall not be required to comply with *paragraph (a)* within the period referred to in that paragraph where it appears to the planning authority that it would not be possible or appropriate, because of the exceptional circumstances of the development or proposed development (including in relation to the nature, complexity, location or size of such development) identified in the request under *subsection (1)* to do so.

(ii) Where *subparagraph (i)* applies, the planning authority shall, by notice in writing served on—

(I) the person who made the request under *subsection (1)*, and

(II) each person to whom a request has been made under *paragraph (c)*,

before the expiration of the period referred to in *paragraph (a)*, inform him or her of the reasons why it would not be possible or appropriate to comply with that paragraph within that period and shall specify the date before which the authority intends that the declaration concerned shall be made.]

(c) A planning authority may also request persons in addition to those referred to in *paragraph (b)* to submit information in order to enable the authority to issue the declaration on the question.

(3) (a) Where a declaration is issued under this section, any person issued with a declaration under *subsection (2)(a)* may, on payment to the Board of such fee as may be prescribed, refer a declaration for review by the Board within 4 weeks of the date of the issuing of the declaration.

(b) Without prejudice to *subsection (2)*, in the event that no declaration is issued by the planning authority, any person who made a request under *subsection (1)* may, on payment to the Board of such fee as may be prescribed, refer the question for decision to the Board within 4 weeks of the date that a declaration was due to be issued under *subsection (2)*.

(4) Notwithstanding *subsection (1)*, a planning authority may, on payment to the Board of such fee as may be prescribed, refer any question as to what, in any particular case, is or is not development or is or is not exempted development to be decided by the Board.

(5) The details of any declaration issued by a planning authority or of a decision by the Board on a referral under this section shall be entered in the register.

(6) (a) The Board shall keep a record of any decision made by it on a referral under this section and the main reasons and considerations on which its decision is based and shall make it available for purchase and inspection.

(b) The Board may charge a specified fee, not exceeding the cost of making the copy, for the purchase of a copy of the record referred to in *paragraph (a)*.

(c) The Board shall, from time to time and at least once a year, forward to each planning authority a copy of the record referred to in *paragraph (a)*.

(d) A copy of the said record shall, at the request of a member of a planning authority, be given to that member by the F58[chief executive] of the planning authority concerned.

(7) A planning authority, before making a declaration under this section, shall consider the record forwarded to it in accordance with *subsection (6)(c)*.

F59[(7A) A planning authority or the Board, as the case may be, shall, in respect of a development or proposed development specified in Part 2 of Schedule 5 to the Planning and Development Regulations 2001, specify in its declaration or decision, as the case may be, whether the development or proposed development identified in the request under *subsection (1)* or in the referral under *subsection (3)* or (4), as the case may be, would be likely to have significant effects on the environment by virtue, at the least, of the nature, size or location of such development and require an environmental impact assessment.

(7B)(a) Where the planning authority issues its declaration on a request under *subsection (1)* or the Board makes its decision on a referral under *subsection (3)* or (4), as the case may be, the following documents shall, within 3 working days, be placed on the planning authority's or Board's, as the case may be, website for inspection and be made available for inspection and purchase by members of the public during office hours at the offices of the authority or Board, as the case may be, for at least the minimum period referred to in *paragraph (b)*:

(i) a copy of the question arising as to what is or is not development or is or is not exempted development within the meaning of this Act and any information, particulars, evidence, written study or further information received or obtained from any of the following:

- (I) the person making the request or referral, as the case may be;
- (II) the owner or occupier of the land in question;
- (III) any other person;
- (ii) a copy of any submissions or observations in relation to the question arising as to what is or is not development or is or is not exempted development within the meaning of this Act;
- (iii) a copy of any report prepared by or for the authority or the Board, as the case may be, in relation to the request or referral;
- (iv) a copy of the declaration of the authority or the decision of the Board, as the case may be, in respect of the question identified in the request under *subsection (1)* or in the referral under *subsection (3) or (4)*, as the case may be.

(b) The minimum period for the purposes of *paragraph (a)* is 8 weeks from the date of the issue of the declaration by the planning authority or the date of the decision of the Board, as the case may be.

(7C) For the purposes of *subsection (7A)*, the Minister may, by regulations, provide for additional, consequential or supplementary matters as regards procedures in respect of a request under *subsection (1)* or a referral under *subsection (3) or (4)*, as the case may be, in relation to—

- (a) the submission of information to the planning authority or the Board for those purposes,
- (b) time limits within which such information shall be so submitted,
- (c) notifications to persons concerned with the declaration or decision, as the case may be, referred to in that subsection,
- (d) steps to be taken (including matters which must be regarded) in the course of the making of such declaration or decision, or
- (e) the publication of such declaration or decision.]

F60[(8)(a) The Minister for Arts, Heritage and the Gaeltacht may apply to the Board under this subsection, without charge, for a determination as to whether an activity requiring the consent of that Minister—

- (i) F61[pursuant to a notification under Regulation 4(2) of the European Communities (Natural Habitats) Regulations 1997 (**S.I. No. 94 of 1997**) or pursuant to a direction under Regulation 28(1) or 29(1) of the European Communities (Birds and Natural Habitats) Regulations 2011 (**S.I. No. 477 of 2011**)] or under regulations made under the **European Communities Act 1972** for the purpose of giving further effect to the Birds Directive or the Habitats Directive by designating a site as a special area of conservation or as a special protection area, or
- (ii) under **section 19 of the Wildlife (Amendment) Act 2000**,

comprises development which is not exempted development, and the Board shall make such determination as soon as may be and shall inform that Minister of its determination and the reasons for the determination.

(b) An application from the Minister for Arts, Heritage and the Gaeltacht under this subsection shall include the following:

- (i) a copy of the application for consent;
- (ii) any other relevant information submitted with the application for consent;
- (iii) the reasons why that Minister considers that the activity may not be exempted development;
- (iv) the opinion of that Minister as to whether an appropriate assessment is required, and the reasons for that opinion;
- (v) the opinion of that Minister as to whether the development is likely to have significant effects on a European site or an area designated as a Natural Heritage Area under **section 18 of the Wildlife (Amendment) Act 2000** and the reasons for that opinion, having regard to the purposes for which the site was designated.

(c) The Board may seek additional information from—

- (i) the applicant for consent, or
- (ii) the Minister for Arts, Heritage and the Gaeltacht,

and where this is not provided within the period specified, or any further period as may be specified by the Board, the Board shall not make a determination on the matter and the application of that Minister under this subsection shall be deemed to be withdrawn and the Board shall inform that Minister accordingly.

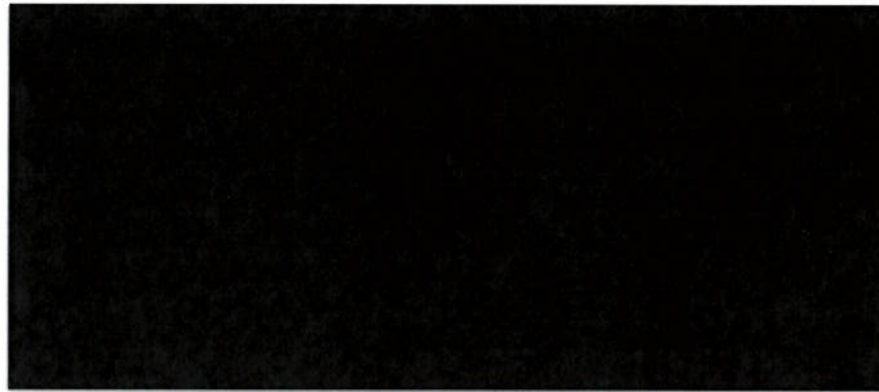
(d) In *paragraph (a)(i)* "special area of conservation" and "special protection area" have the same meaning as they have in *section 177R.*]

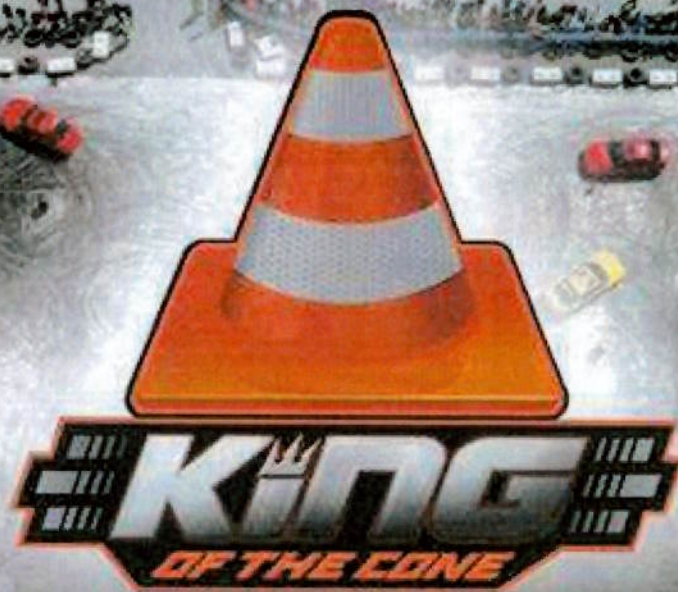


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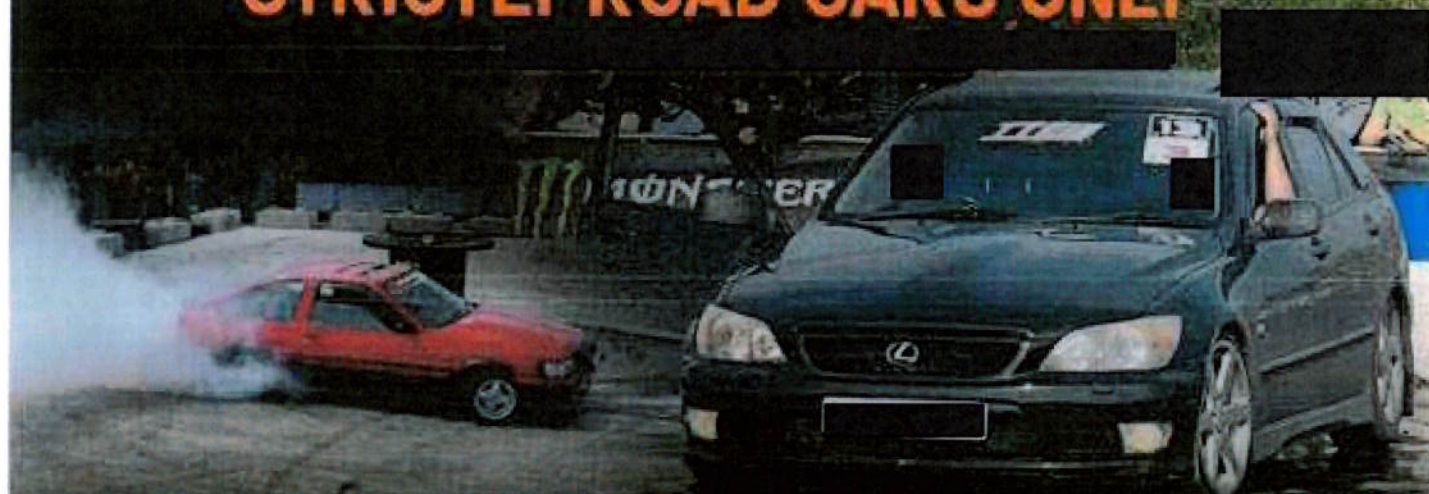
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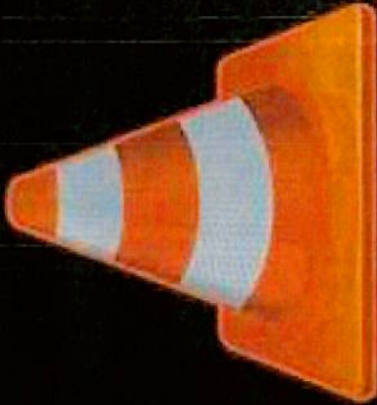
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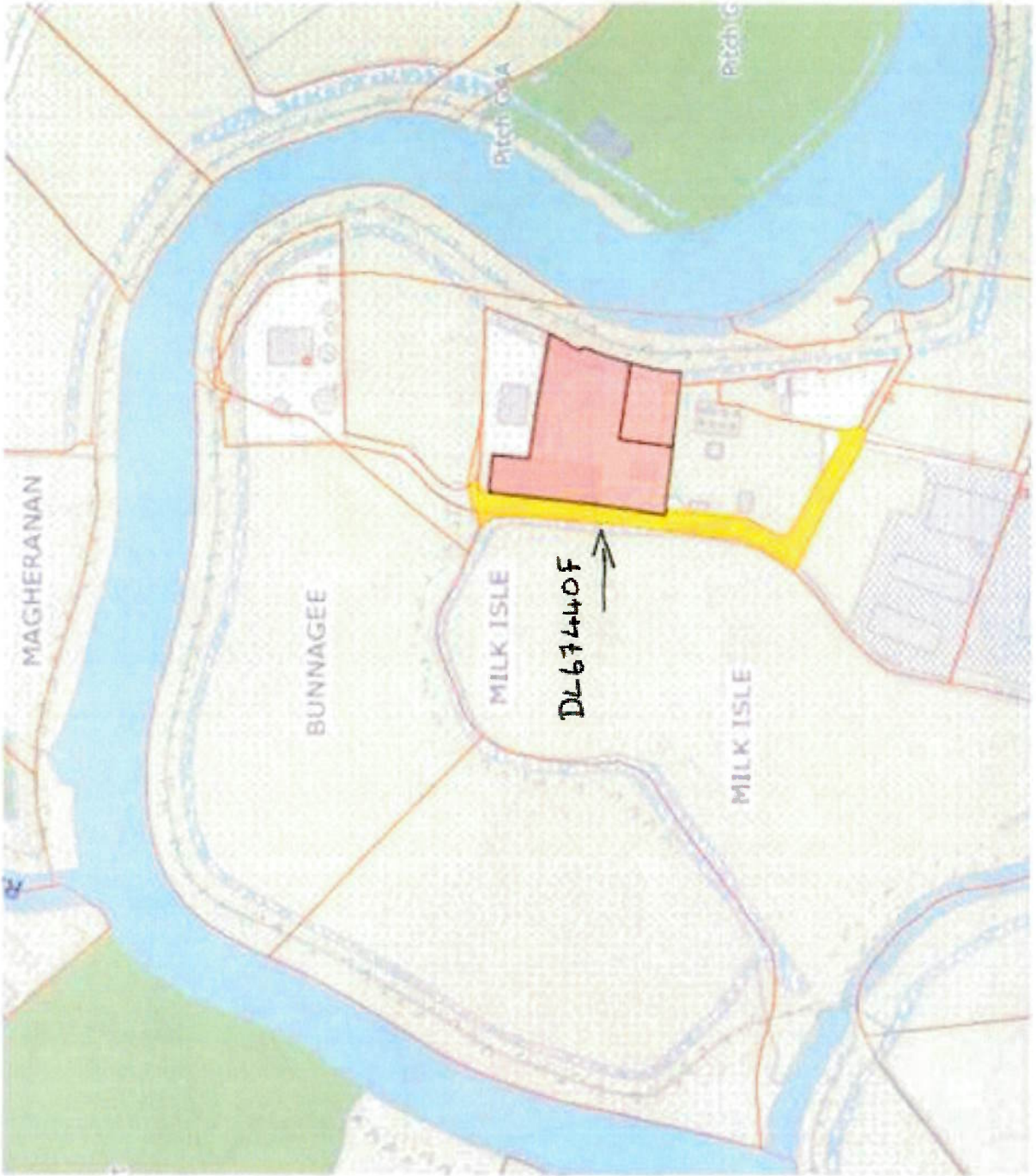
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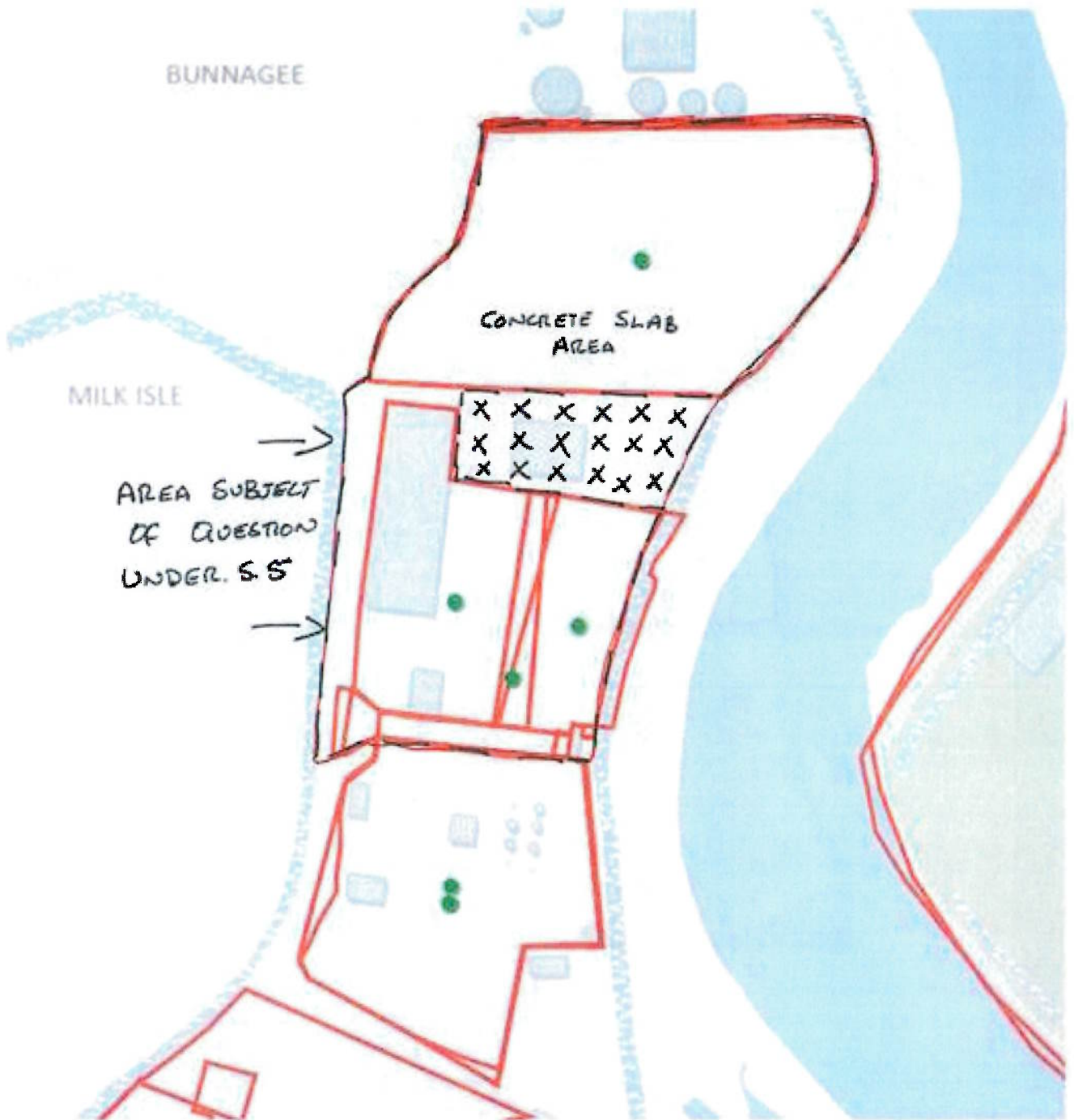


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UNDER S.S.
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16 April 2026

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DECLARATION ON DEVELOPMENT & EXEMPTED DEVELOPMENT

Re: Application for a Section 5 Declaration –Carrying out of Motorsport events on an occasional basis for no more than 29 days aggregate in any one calendar year with no event lasting more than 4 days in any one instance at Tinneys Coal, Bonagee, Letterkenny, Co. Donegal

A Chara,

I wish to acknowledge receipt of your application for a Section 5 Declaration which was received on 15th April 2026.

Donegal County Council
Planning Services

SECTION 5 REFERRAL REPORT – Ref. No: S5 26/56

1.0 BACKGROUND

1.1 Location:

Tinneys Coal, Bonagee, Letterkenny, Co Donegal.

1.2 Site Description:

The site forms part of an existing cluster of commercial/ industrial uses and existing fuel dispensing pumps, storage structures and buildings are within visual proximity of the same. The site currently accommodates an open yard area which is partially concreted and is enclosed by palisade fencing. Access to the site is off the adjoining local county road, L-11142-0 which serves the wider light industrial estate. The site is located along the river Swilly estuary on lands zoned as General Employment, identified in the Letterkenny Plan & Local Transport Plan 2023-2029.



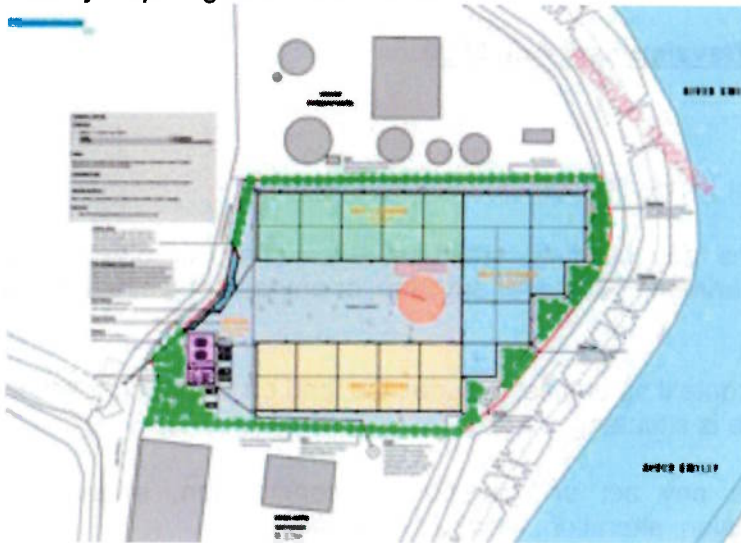
1.3 Planning History

Year	Number	Decision	Name	Description
00	6523	Conditional	TINNEY TRANSPORT LTD	DEVELOPMENT OF NEW TRANSPORT YARD INCLUDING MAINTENANCE GARAGE, STORAGE BUILDING OFFICE, ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, WEIGHBRIDGE AND SEPTIC TANK
21	50032	Conditional	FLOGAS IRELAND LIMITED	INSTALLATION OF A BULK LPG STORAGE TANK AND ROAD TANKER FILLING FACILITIES, FIRE SUPPRESSION GANTRY WITH ASSOCIATED WATER

Year	Number	Decision	Name	Description
				STORAGE TANK AND PUMP HOUSE AND ANCILLARY SITE SERVICES
21	50424	Conditional	STARRUS ECO HOLDINGS LTD (T/A PANDA/GREENSTAR)	(1) ERECTION OF A WASTE TRANSFER STATION CONTAINED WITHIN THE EXISTING BUILDING (1,856 M2) HAVING AN ANNUAL WASTE INTAKE OF UP TO 24,500 TONNES/YEAR, (2) CONSTRUCTION OF A CIVIC AMENITY BRING CENTRE (408 M2) TO THE EAST OF THE EXISTING BUILDING AND ALL ASSOCIATED SITE WORKS AND SERVICES TO ACCOMMODATE THE CIVIC AMENITY SITE AND WASTE TRANSFER STATION AND (3) ALL ASSOCIATED SITE WORKS AND SERVICES, FOOTPATHS, UPGRADING OF SITE ACCESS AND BOUNDARY FENCE, BICYCLE PARKING RACKS, ADDITIONAL CAR PARKING SPACES AND LANDSCAPING
17	50954	Conditional	PATRICK TINNEY	CONTINUATION OF USE FOR A PERIOD OF THREE YEARS OF; 8NO. FUEL DISPENSING PUMPS ON 3NO. PUMP ISLANDS FOR SALE OF FUEL TO PUBLIC, BOUNDARY FENCING AND EGRESS ROAD
23	50427	Conditional	FLOGAS IRELAND LIMITED	INSTALLATION OF A BULK LPG STORAGE TANK AND ROAD TANKER FILLING FACILITIES, FIRE SUPPRESSION GANTRY WITH ASSOCIATED WATER STORAGE TANK AND PUMP HOUSE AND ANCILLARY SITE SERVICES. A NATURA IMPACT STATEMENT (NIS) ACCOMPANIES THIS APPLICATION

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24	60379	Conditional	JOHN BARRY	(1) CONSTRUCTION OF A NEW BUILDING TO PROVIDE A WAREHOUSE STORAGE FACILITY WITH A FLOOR AREA OF 5,753 SQ/M, (2) CONSTRUCTION OF A NEW SEPARATE OFFICE BUILDING TO SERVE THE DEVELOPMENT WITH A FLOOR AREA OF 167.4 SQ/M, (3) PROVISION OF A NEW FOUL SEWER CONNECTION TO AN EXISTING SEWAGE TREATMENT SYSTEM LOCATED IN THE APPLICANTS ADJOINING YARD, (4) PROVISION OF STORM WATER DRAINAGE INCLUDING THE INSTALLATION OF A STORM WATER INTERCEPTOR, (5) PROVISION FOR A NEW WATER CONNECTION TO THE OFFICE BUILDING FROM THE ADJOINING PUBLIC WATER MAIN, (6) PROVISION OF ONSITE CARPARKING, (7) ALL ASSOCIATED SITE DEVELOPMENT WORKS. THIS APPLICATION IS ACCOMPANIED BY A NATURA IMPACT STATEMENT (NIS)

Site layout plan granted under 24/60379



UD_Site: UD25102		UD_Site: UD1768		UD_Site: UD16207	
Ref No.	UD25102	Ref No.	UD1768	Ref No.	UD16207
Applicant	JOHANNA TIMNEY, BARRY FOLEY LTD	Applicant	Timney's Oil, Bunnagee	Applicant	Barry Foley Ltd
Location	BUNNAGEE Td, LETTERKENNY	Location	Bunnagee, Letterkenny	Location	Bunnagee
Date Received	17/06/2015	Date Received	02/05/2017	Date Received	21/12/2016
Decision	SEC 152/AL	Decision	Closure Recommended	Decision	Closure Recommended
Description	1) CONCRETE YARD, TYRE BARRIERS, STEEL DIVIDERS, BARRELS, SIGNAGE, FIRE EXTINGUISHERS 2) USE FOR DRIFTING EVENTS	Description	Proposed use of premises for 'drifting' events during Donegal Rally Weekend (June 16th - 19th 2017)	Description	Alleged use of Premises as a Waste Transfer Station

2.0. THE QUESTION

The applicant Elliott Coffey (third party), has made a submission to Donegal County Council seeking a Declaration on development and exempted development. A number of questions have arisen pursuant to Section 5 of the Planning and Development Act 2000 as amended, as follows:

- Whether the carrying out of motorsport events on an occasional basis no more than 29 days aggregate in one calendar year with no event lasting 4 days in any one instance with less than 5,000 participants/spectators at any one event is/is not development and is/is not exempted development. The information elaborates to describe the motorsport as car showing and car drifting events conducted on existing concrete hardstands, defined on the ground by concrete movable barriers, all associated signage, pedestrian access and temporary barriers. The further information provided states that the nature of the event is not fixed and the layout and provisions for spectators and participants varies from day to day.
- Whether placing of temporary toilets, food vans and mobile retail units, to serve persons attending the event including the use of loudspeaker equipment is/is not development and is/is not exempted development

3.0 EVALUATION

3.1 Planning and Development Act, 2000

Section 2(1)

In this Act, except where the context otherwise requires -

"structure" means any building, structure, excavation, or other thing constructed or made on, in or under any land, or any part of a structure so defined, and

(a) where the context so admits, includes the land on, in or under which the structure is situate ...

"works" includes any act or operation of construction, excavation, demolition, extension, alteration, repair or renewal ...

Section 3(1)

"Development" in this Act means, except where the context otherwise requires, the carrying out of any works on, in, over or under land or the making of any material change in the use of any structures or other land.

Section 4(4)

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

Section 5(1)

If any question arises as to what, in any particular case, is or is not development or is or is not exempted development within the meaning of this Act, any person may, on payment of the prescribed fee, request in writing from the relevant planning authority a declaration on that question, and that person shall provide to the planning authority any information necessary to enable the authority to make its decision on the matter.

Section 177U

"In deciding upon a declaration for the purposes of Section 5 of this Act a planning authority or the Board, as the case maybe, shall where appropriate, conduct a screening for appropriate assessment in accordance with the provisions of this Section."

3.2 Planning and Development Regulations, 2001

Article 3: Interpretation

"unauthorised development" means, in relation to land, the carrying out of any unauthorised works (including the construction, erection or

making of any unauthorised structure) or the making of any unauthorised use;

“unauthorised structure” means a structure other than—

- (a) a structure which was in existence on 1 October 1964, or
- (b) a structure, the construction, erection or making of which was the subject of a permission for development granted under Part IV of the Act of 1963 or deemed to be such under section 92 of that Act (or under section 34 , 37G or 37N of this Act), being a permission which has not been revoked, or which exists as a result of the carrying out of exempted development (within the meaning of section 4 of the Act of 1963 or section 4 of this Act);

“unauthorised works” means any works on, in, over or under land commenced on or after 1 October 1964, being development other than—

- (a) exempted development (within the meaning of section 4 of the Act of 1963 or section 4 of this Act), or
- (b) development which is the subject of a permission granted under Part IV of the Act of 1963 F21 (or under section 34, 37G or 37N of this Act), being a permission which has not been revoked, and which is carried out in compliance with that permission or any condition to which that permission is subject;

Article 6(1)

Subject to article 9, development of a class specified in column 1 of Part 1 of Schedule 2 shall be exempted development for the purposes of the Act, provided that such development complies with the conditions and limitations specified in column 2 of the said Part 1 opposite the mention of that class in the said column 1.

Article 9

Restrictions on Exemption include inter alia:- .

9. (1) Development to which article 6 relates shall not be exempted development for the purposes of the Act and the restrictions and limitation are outlined in this Article including; —
 - (a) if the carrying out of such development would—
 - (i) contravene a condition attached to a permission under the Act or be inconsistent with any use specified in a permission under the Act,
 - (ii) consist of or comprise the formation, laying out or material widening of a means of access to a public road the surfaced carriageway of which exceeds 4 metres in width,
 - (iii) endanger public safety by reason of traffic hazard or obstruction of road users,

- (iiia) endanger public safety by reason of hazardous glint and/or glare for the operation of airports, aerodromes or aircraft,
- (iv) except in the case of a porch to which class 7 specified in column 1 of Part 1 of Schedule 2 applies and which complies with the conditions and limitations specified in column 2 of the said Part 1 opposite the mention of that class in the said column 1, comprise the construction, erection, extension or renewal of a building on any street so as to bring forward the building, or any part of the building, beyond the front wall of the building on either side thereof or beyond a line determined as the building line in a development plan for the area or, pending the variation of a development plan or the making of a new development plan, in the draft variation of the development plan or the draft development plan,
- (v) consist of or comprise the carrying out under a public road of works other than a connection to a wired broadcast relay service, sewer, water main, gas main or electricity supply line or cable, or any works to which class 25, 26 or 31 (a) specified in column 1 of Part 1 of Schedule 2 applies,
- (vii) consist of or comprise the excavation, alteration or demolition (other than peat extraction) of places, caves, sites, features or other objects of archaeological, geological, historical, scientific or ecological interest, the preservation of which is an objective of a development plan for the area in which the development is proposed or, pending the variation of a development plan or the making of a new development plan, in the draft variation of the development plan or the draft development plan, save any excavation, pursuant to and in accordance with a licence granted under section 26 of the National Monuments Act, 1930 (No. 2 of 1930) as amended,
- (viiB) comprise development in relation to which a planning authority or An Bord Pleanála is the competent authority in relation to appropriate assessment and the development would require an appropriate assessment because it would be likely to have a significant effect on the integrity of a European site,

Schedule 2 Part 1 Exempted Development - General
Class 37

The following description of development is deemed to be exempted development subject to the accompanying conditions and limitations:

Development consisting of the use of land for any fair, funfair, bazaar or circus or any local event of a religious, cultural, educational, political, social, recreational or sporting character and the placing or maintenance of tents, vans or other temporary or moveable structures or objects on the land in connection with such use.

Conditions and Limitations (Column 2)

1. The land shall not be used for any such purposes either continuously for a period exceeding 15 days or occasionally for periods exceeding in aggregate 30 days in any year.
2. On the discontinuance of such use the land shall be reinstated save to such extent as may be authorised or required by a permission under the Act.

4.0 ASSESSMENT

4.1 Is or is not development

Section 3(1) of the Planning and Development Act, 2000 (as amended) defines development to include “the making of any material change in the use of any structures or other land” and Section 2(1) of the Act distinguishes “use” from any works carried out on land.

Having regard to sections 2 and 3 of the Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended –

The carrying out of motorsport events (car showing and car drifting) would entail the attraction of the public to the land, traffic generation, and provision for the needs of appreciable numbers of people on the land. The use would raise significantly different planning considerations from those that may have existed in the past, as would the range of environmental impacts, e.g. the character, volume, and frequency of noise, from the motor sport itself. It is therefore considered that the carrying out of motorsport events (car showing and car drifting) would involve a material change of use and so they would constitute development.

The placing of temporary toilets, food vans, mobile retail units and use of loudspeaker equipment, would be ancillary to the main use of car showing and car drifting, and since this main use constitutes development, these uses, too, constitute development, i.e. insofar as the main use entails a material change of use of the land, so do these ancillary uses, which are inextricably linked to the main use.

4.2 Is or is not exempted development

Class 37 of Part 1 of Schedule 2 of the Planning and Development Regulations (as amended) relates to Development consisting of the use of land for any fair, funfair, bazaar or circus or any local event of a religious, cultural, educational, political, social, recreational or sporting character and the placing or maintenance of tents, vans or other temporary or moveable structures or objects on the land in connection with such use. Such development is deemed to be exempted development provided the following conditions and limitations are adhered to:

1. The land shall not be used for any such purposes either continuously for a period exceeding 15 days or occasionally for periods exceeding in aggregate 30 days in any year.

2. On the discontinuation of such use the land shall be reinstated save to such extent as may be authorised or required by a permission under the Act.

For the motorsport event (car showing and car drifting) to operate, reliance must be had upon the land as it is

For the motorsport event (car showing and car drifting) to operate, reliance must be had upon the land as it is. Having regard to the established development on the site and adjoining lands, and to the recent planning history, the Planning Authority is satisfied that the existing form of the land has resulted from authorised development.

The second limitation/condition, cited above, envisages a situation, wherein land can be reinstated to its authorised permanent use following the discontinuance of a temporary use.

The subject land is laid out to facilitate its use for the motorsport event (car showing and car drifting) through the placement of movable structures. Information from previous events is sufficient to demonstrate that the land is easily returned to its authorised permanent use thereafter.

Following consideration of this proposal it is considered that the carrying out of motorsport events (car showing and car drifting) is considered a local event of a sporting character and therefore falls within the scope of the said Class 37 of Part 1 of Schedule 2 of the Planning and Development Regulations, 2001 (as amended) in that the land will not be used for this purpose either continuously for a period exceeding 15 days or occasionally for periods exceeding in aggregate 30 days in any year. On the discontinuance of the use the land is reinstated save to such extent as may be authorised or required by a permission under the Act.

With respect to the second question, these relate to uses that are ancillary to the main use of car showing and car drifting. These are considered 'temporary or moveable structures or objects on the land in connection with the main use' therefore also fall within the scope of of the said Class 37 of Part 1 of Schedule 2 of the Planning and Development Regulations, 2001 (as amended).

5.0 AA SCREENING

Consideration has been given to the site's proximity to the nearest Natura 2000 site; the site abuts Natura sites of Lough Swilly SAC (002287) and the Lough Swilly SPA (004075) along its eastern edge.



Due to the proximity of the land to the Natura sites of Lough Swilly SAC (002287) and the Lough Swilly SPA (004075) there is potential for a significant effect individually or in combination with other plans or projects on a European site.

The attached AA Screening Report has identified likely impacts of the development on the Natura 2000 sites and determines that these impacts have the potential to be significant. The report concludes that the Planning Authority has determined that full Appropriate Assessment of the proposed development is required in this instance, as it cannot be excluded on the basis of objective scientific information that the proposed development individually or in combination with other plans/projects will have a significant effect on the aforementioned Natura 2000 sites.

6.0 ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT

6.1 Preliminary Examination

- Having regard to the minor nature and scale of the proposed development and its location removed from any sensitive locations or features, there is no real likelihood of significant effects on the environment arising from the proposed development. Thus the planning authority has concluded that environmental impact assessment screening is not required and the need for an EIAR can therefore be excluded at preliminary examination.

7.0 RECOMMENDATION

IT IS HEREBY RECOMMENDED THAT A DECLARATION BE MADE THAT THE SUBJECT MATTER OF THE REQUEST AS ABOVE –

IS Development

&

IS NOT Exempted Development

WITHIN THE MEANING OF THE ABOVE ACT

The proposal for:

1. The carrying out of motorsport events on an occasional basis no more than 29 days aggregate in one calendar year with no even lasting 4 days in any one instance with less than 5,000 participants/spectators at any one event.
2. The placing of temporary toilets, food vans and mobile retail units, to serve persons attending the event including the use of loudspeaker equipment.

at Bonagee, Letterkenny

The Planning Authority in considering this referral, had regard particularly to the following section of the Planning and Development Act, 2000(as amended) to:

- (a) Sections 2(1), 3(1), 4(4) and 177(U) of the Planning and Development Act 2000 (as amended) and
- (b) Article 6(1), 9(1)(a) (viiB) and Class 37 of Part 1 of Schedule 2 of the Planning and Development Regulations, 2001 (as amended).
- (c) The planning history of the site.

And concluded that:

The proposal IS DEVELOPMENT within the meaning of the Planning and Development Act, 2000 (as amended) and is **NOT EXEMPTED DEVELOPMENT** under Section 4(4) of the Planning and Development Act 2000 (as amended) as the environmental impacts of the said use are such that it requires to be the subject of an Appropriate Assessment. The development is also de-exempted under Article 9(1)(a) (viiB) of the abovementioned regulations for the same reason.



Signed:

Position: Assistant Planner

Date: 12th May 2026



Frank Sweeney

Senior Executive Planner

Community Development & Planning Services, 12/05/2026

<u>STAGE 1 - APPROPRIATE ASSESSMENT SCREENING FOR THE PURPOSES OF ARTICLE 6 OF THE HABITATS DIRECTIVE</u>

Applicant Name: Elliot Coffey

Plan. Reg. No: S5 26/56

1.0 Description of Project

The subject site is located at Tinneys Coal, Bonagee, Letterkenny, Co. Donegal. The applicant is seeking a declaration pursuant to section 5 of the Planning and Development Act, 200 (as amended) in respect of the following works:

The development consists of the following works:

1. *The carrying out of motorsport events on an occasional basis no more than 29 days aggregate in one calendar year with no even lasting 4 days in any one instance with less than 5,000 participants/spectators at any one event. The information describes the motorsport as car showing and car drifting events conducted on existing concrete hardstands, defined on the ground by concrete movable barriers, all associated signage, pedestrian access and temporary barriers. The further information provided also states that the nature of the event is not fixed and the layout and provisions for spectators and participants varies from day to day.*
2. *The placing of temporary toilets, food vans and mobile retail units, to serve persons attending the event including the use of loudspeaker equipment.*

2.0 Natura 2000 sites

The subject site is located along the river Swilly estuary and abuts the Lough Swilly SAC (site code 002287 refers) and Lough Swilly SPA (site code 004075) along its eastern edge. The site does not appear to be linked to any other Natura 2000 sites by hydrology or other, accordingly, no screening has been carried out of any other Natura 2000 site.

2.1 Lough Swilly SAC – site code 002287

The Lough Swilly SAC comprises the inner part of Lough Swilly. It extends from below Letterkenny to just north of Buncrana. Lough Swilly is a long sea-lough, cutting through a variety of metamorphic rocks on the west side of Inishowen.

The site is estuarine in character with shallow water and intertidal mud flats being the dominant habitats. At low tide, extensive sand and mud flats are exposed especially at the mouths of the Swilly and Lenan rivers. The shoreline above the flats varies from bedrock to shingle or cobbles. Salt marshes are well represented in the inner sheltered areas of the site also.

Lakes which are lagoonal in character occur at Inch and Blanket Nook. Inch Lough is a good example of a large shallow lagoon with very low salinity in most of the lagoon. The vegetation in Inch is diverse and typically lagoonal, with well developed charophyte communities, including a large population of *Chara cabescens* (a red data book species). It also supports Horned Pondweed (*Zannicellia palustris*) and a mixed Pondweed/ Tassleweed Community (*Potamogeton pectinatus/ Ruppia maritima*). The green alga *Chaetomorpha linum* occurs at Blanket Nook. The aquatic fauna at Inch is rich and diverse and includes *Lekanesphaera hookeri*, *Palaemonetes varian*, *Conopeum seurati*, *Sigaara stagnalis*, *s. concinna*, *Jaera nordmanni*, *Neomysis integer* and *Cordyllohora caspia*. Inch Lough is regarded as of significant conservation value

for ectonal coleopteran with several species indicative of well developed shoreline habitats including two that are apparently rare: *Bembidion bipunctatum* and *Bembidion aeneum*. Although artificial in habitat this site is one of the largest and best examples of shallow, low salinity lagoon habitat in the country.

Two woodlands occur adjacent to the northwestern shore of Lough Swilly, namely Rathmullen and Carrodoan woods, with a further woodland, scrub and heath area occurring above the northeast shore at Crockacashel and at Porthaw.

The site also supports a population of Otter, a species listed in Annex II of the EU habitats Directive. Lough Swilly is an important site for waterfowl in autumn and winter. The shallow waters provide suitable habitat for grebes and diving duck, while the intertidal flats are used by an excellent diversity of wildfowl and waders. At high tide, the duck and wader species roost on the salty marshes and shorelines with some species moving to the adjacent pasture and arable fields. In the three winters 1994/95 to 1996/97, 16 species occurred in nationally important numbers as follows : Great Crested Grebe (274), Shelduck (646), Wigeon (1,673), Teal (1,381), Mallard (1,255), Shoveler (58), Scaup (143), Goldeneye (169), Red breasted Merganser (103), Coot (335), Oystercatcher (1,459), Knot (327), Dunlin (7,995), Curlew(1,716), Redshank (1,080) and Greenshank (30).

Other species which occur in regionally or locally important numbers and at times may exceed the threshold for national importance include Brent Goose, Pochard, Tufted Duck, Lapwing, Ringed Plover, Grey Plover, Bar-tailed Godwit and Turnstone. The site is also an important area of the Great Northern Diver and rare Slavonian Grebe.

The adjacent pasture and arable polders at Inch, Bid Isle and Blanket Nook support internationally important populations of Whooper Swans, Greenland White-fronted Geese and Greylag Geese. Inch Lough is an important roosting area of these birds and at times they utilise other parts of Lough Swilly for roosting.

The site is of conservation importance as it contains good examples of at least four habitats listed in Annex I of the EU habitats Directive (estuaries, Lagoons, Atlantic salt meadows, old oak woods) and support a population of Otter. In addition, it is of high ornithological importance for wintering waterfowl , with 16 species occurring within the site and on adjacent polders in numbers of international importance.

2.2 Lough Swilly SPA- site code 004075

Lough Swilly SPA comprises of the inner part of Lough Swilly, a long inlet of the sea that cuts through a variety of metamorphic rocks on the west side of the Inishowen Peninsula.

Lough Swilly is an important site for waterfowl in autumn and winter. The shallow waters provide suitable habitat for grebes and diving duck, while the intertidal flats are used by an excellent diversity of wildfowl and waders. At high tide the duck and wader species roost on salt marshes and shorelines with some species moving to the adjacent pasture and arable fields. In the three winters 1994/95 to 1996/97, 16 species occurred in nationally important numbers as follows : Great Crested Grebe (274), Shelduck (646), Wigeon (1,673), Teal (1,381), Mallard (1,255), Shoveler (58), Scaup (143), Goldeneye (169), Red breasted Merganser (103), Coot (335), Oystercatcher (1,459), Knot (327), Dunlin (7,995), Curlew(1,716), Redshank (1,080) and Greenshank (30).

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Lough Swilly supports internationally important number of Greenland White-fronted Geese, Whooper swans and Greylag Geese. The Inch Levels are used by same. The site is of major ornithological importance for wintering waterfowl, with 16 species occurring regularly in numbers of national importance and 3 species occurring within the site in numbers of international importance. The site is regularly used by in excess

of 20,000 waterfowl and thus qualifies as of international importance. The site is used by several species that are listed in Annex I of the EU Birds Directive.

2.3 Conservation Objectives for Lough Swilly SAC:

- To maintain the favourable conservation condition of Estuaries in Lough Swilly SAC
- To restore the favourable conservation condition of Lagoons in Lough Swilly SAC
- To restore the favourable conservation condition of Atlantic Salt meadows in Lough Swilly SAC
- To restore the favourable conservation condition of Otter in Lough Swilly SAC
- To restore the favourable conservation condition of Old oak woodland with Ilex and Blechnum in Lough Swilly SAC

2.4 Conservation Objectives for Lough Swilly SPA

To restore the favourable conservation condition of the bird species listed as special conservation interests for this SPA :

- Great crested Grebe (Podiceps cristatus)
- Grey Heron (ardea Cinerea)
- Whooper Swan (Cygnus Cygnus)
- Greylag Goose (Anser Anser)
- Shelduck (Tadorna tadorna)
- Wigeon (Anas Penelope)
- Teal (Anas crecca)
- Mallard (Anas platyrhynchos)
- Shoveler (Anas clypeata)
- Scaup (Aythya marila)
- Golden Eye (Bucephala Clangula)
- Red Breasted Merganser (Mergis serrator)
- Coot (Fulica atra)
- Oystercatcher (haematopus ostralegus)
- Knot (Calidris canutus)
- Dunlin (Calidris alpina)
- Curlew (Numenis arquata)
- Redshank (Tringa totanus)
- Greenshank (Tringa nebularia)
- Black Headed Gull (chroicocephalis ridibundus)
- Common Gull (Larus Canus)
- Sandwich Tern (Sterna sandvicensis)
- Common Tern (Sterna hirundo)
- Greenland white fronted goose (anser albifrons flavirostris)
- Wetland and water birds.

3.0 Assessment of Likely effects:

Potential Impact Types and Significance

Impact type	Significance indicator	Comments
Loss of habitat area	Percentage of loss	No direct impacts – the site is not located within the SAC/SPA
Fragmentation	Duration or permanence, level in relation to original extent	N/A
Disturbance	Duration or permanence, distance from site	Potential for direct impact on otters and wintering waterfowl from noise pollution

Species population density	Timescale for replacement	Potential for direct impact on otters and wintering waterfowl from noise pollution Potential for indirect impact on wider species population from ground and surface water pollution (fuel spills)
Water resource	Relative change	It is not considered that the proposed development will have any significant impact on water resources.
Water quality	Relative change in key indicative chemicals and other elements	Possible contamination of the water environment and adverse impacts on freshwater biology due to spillages/accidental leaks of fuels.

The AA screening has identified likely impacts of the development on the Natura 2000 sites and determines that these impacts have the potential to be significant.

4.0 Screening Determination:

It is considered, as detailed within this report, that there may be a number of potential direct/indirect impacts on the Natura 2000 sites (1) disturbance/loss of species population and (2) the discharge of materials and effluents as waterborne into the Lough Swilly SAC/SPA. The Planning Authority is not satisfied that the proposed development would not give rise to a risk of noise pollution or ground/surface water pollution either within the application site or on adjacent lands.

The Planning Authority has therefore determined that an Appropriate Assessment of the proposed development is required as it cannot be excluded on the basis of objective scientific information that the proposed development individually or in combination with other plans/projects may have a significant effect on a European Site – Lough Swilly SAC/SPA.



Assistant Planner
12th May 2026



Frank Sweeney
Senior Executive Planner
Community Development & Planning Services
12/05/2026

DONEGAL COUNTY COUNCIL

PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT ACT, 2000 (AS AMENDED)

**Chief Executive
Order No:**

2026PH1275

Ref Number:

S526/56

Section 5:

Request received 15th April 2026 from Elliott Coffey, [REDACTED] in relation to the carrying out of motorsport events on an occasional basis no more than 29 days aggregate in any one calendar year with no event lasting more than 4 days with less than 5,000 participants/spectators at Tinney's Coal, Bunagee, Letterkenny, Co. Donegal.

Submitted:

Written request received 15th April 2026 as above and report dated 12th May 2026 from the Planner (Ref. No: S5 26/56 refers).


STAFF OFFICER

Order:

Having considered the said request, the report of the Planner, and the record forwarded to the Council by An Coimisiún Pleanála in compliance with Sub-Section 6(c) of the said Section I have concluded that a declaration on the questions in the said request should be made in the terms of that in the Schedule to this Order, the main reasons and considerations therefore being detailed therein. I therefore Order that the declaration issue to the said requester and the owners/occupiers of the land concerned and, further, that it be entered in the Council's Planning Register in compliance with Sub-Section (5) of the said Section.


SENIOR EXECUTIVE PLANNER

DATED THIS 12th DAY OF MAY 2026

SCHEDULE

IT IS HEREBY DECLARED THAT THE SUBJECT MATTER OF THE REQUEST AS ABOVE

IS Development

IS Not Exempted Development

WITHIN THE MEANING OF THE ABOVE ACT

The Planning Authority in considering this referral, had regard particularly to:

- Sections 2(1), 3(1), 4(4) and 177(U) of the Planning and Development Act 2000 (as amended)
- Article 6(1), 9(1)(a) (viiB) and Class 37 of Part 1 of Schedule 2 of the Planning and Development Regulations, 2001 (as amended).

And concluded that:

The proposal **IS DEVELOPMENT** within the meaning of the Planning and Development Act, 2000 (as amended); and **IS NOT EXEMPTED DEVELOPMENT** under:

- Section 4(4) of the Planning and Development Act 2000 (as amended) as the environmental impacts of the said use are such that it requires to be the subject of an Appropriate Assessment and
- Article 9(1)(a) (viiB) of the abovementioned regulations for the same reason.

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12th May 2026

ELLIOTT COFFEY



Re: Carrying out of motorsport events on an occasional basis no more than 29 days aggregate in any one calendar year with no event lasting more than 4 days with less than 5,000 participants/spectators at Tinney's Coal, Bunagee, Letterkenny, Co. Donegal.

A Chara,

I refer to your request received on 15th April 2026 under Section 5 of the Planning and Development Act, 2000 (as amended). Same has now been decided and I now issue to you herewith the Council's Declaration thereon. You are now advised that, in accordance with Section 5 (3) (a) of the Planning & Development Act, 2000 (as amended) where a Declaration is issued, any person issued with such a Declaration may, on payment to An Coimisiún Pleanála of such fee as may be prescribed, refer a Declaration for review by the Commission within 4 weeks of the date of issuing of the Declaration.

Mise, le meas,

**For Senior Executive Planner
Planning Services**

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Planning and Development Acts, 2000 (as amended)

(Declaration and Referral on Development and Exempted Development)

DECLARATION

Chief Executive's Order No: 2026PH1275

Reference No: S526/56

Name of Requester: ELLIOTT COFFEY



Summarised Description of development the subject matter of request:

Carrying out of motorsport events on an occasional basis no more than 29 days aggregate in any one calendar year with no event lasting more than 4 days with less than 5,000 participants/spectators

Location: Tinney's Coal, Bunagee, Letterkenny, Co. Donegal.

IT IS HEREBY DECLARED THAT THE SUBJECT MATTER OF THE REQUEST AS ABOVE

IS Development

IS Not Exempted Development

WITHIN THE MEANING OF THE ABOVE ACT

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**For Senior Executive Planner
Planning Services**

Dated this 12th day of May 2026

From: [RUTH MCCROSSAN](#)
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: Section 5 26/56
Date: 13 May 2026 11:07:00
Attachments: [S5 26.56-Letter & Declaration-SIGNED.pdf](#)
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Dear Elliott

Please find attached Section 5 Declaration in relation to above.

If you have any queries, please contact planning@donegalcoco.ie

Kind regards

Ruth McCrossan

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SECTION 5 APPLICATION

FOR DECLARATION ON DEVELOPMENT AND EXEMPTED DEVELOPMENT

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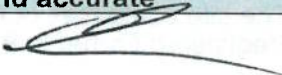
Name of Applicant(s):	ELLIOTT COFFEY
Agent Name: (if applicable)	
Location of Proposed Development / Works: (Townland or postal address as appropriate and Eircode if available)	TINNEY'S COAL BONAGEE LETTERKENNY CO. DONEGAL F92 H2AH + SURROUNDING AREA. AS PER ATTACHED MAPS/PHOTOS
Description of Proposed Development including details of works (where applicable): (Only works listed below will be assessed under <u>this</u> section 5 application)	
The Site Currently is subject to planning permission; Ref: 2150424 Applicant, STARRUS ECO HOLDINGS LTD (T/A PANDA/GREENSTAR) as a waste transfer station. Also Ref 2460379 Applicant John Barry The site comprises of FolioS DL67440F and DL22947, the adjoining lands the Current Registered Owner is Barry Fuels Limited. The carrying out of Motorsport events on an occasional basis no more than 29 days aggregate in any one calendar year with no event lasting more than 4 days in any one instance. Less than 5,000 participants / spectators at any one event. The Motorsport being primarily car showing and car diffing events and all ancillary activities on a for profit and charitable basis. This activity is to be conducted on existing concrete hardstands, the areas being defined on the ground by concrete movable barriers, all associated signage, pedestrian access and temporary barriers. The making of temporary spectator areas, the placing of temporary toilets, food vans, mobile retail units, to serve persons attending the event. The temporary use of loudspeaker equipment. - The site to be remediated after each event. The temporary use of the site and adjoining lands (both aggregate and green field) for the parking of vehicles attending the said events. The said events have been running for a number of years however the applicant herein now wished to establish a definitive answer that the "development" is exempted development owing to its occasional use in accordance with the Planning and Development Regulations 2001. The activities and site have been previously supported by the local authority by means of sponsorship and support, the Garda have also supported this event.	

SEE ADDITIONAL
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Is the development a Protected Structure or within the curtilage of a Protected Structure?	Yes	No
		x
Has a declaration under Section 57 of the Planning and Development Act 2000 (as amended) been requested or issued in respect of the property.	Yes	No
		x
Applicant(s) Interest in the site:	The applicant does not require a current interest in the site, the application is speculative however within the provisions of Section 5.	
If not the Owner of the site, please provide the name of the Landowner:	Barry Fuels Limited	
Please list types of plans, drawings etc. submitted with this application:	Photographs of events, which vary in set up, aerial view of site. The planning application, which the local authority has in its custody	
Planning History - list any relevant planning application reference numbers:	2150424, 2460379	
Are you aware of any enforcement proceedings connected to the site? If so, please supply details:	Not aware of any enforcement proceedings.	

I hereby certify that the information provided is true and accurate	
Signature of Applicant/Agent:	By EMAIL - Elliott Coffey 
Date:	7th April 2026

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ADDITIONAL INFORMATION WHICH FORMS PART OF THE SECTION 5 APPLICATION

This application is made in accordance with the provisions of Section 5 of the Planning and Development Act 2000 as amended. The applicant herein does not have any current interest in the site the development and site the subject of this application. The applicant herein relies on the "*any person*" provision of Section 5 (1) of the Planning and Development Act 2000 as amended. This is in addition to the Aarhus Convention which provides for the question to be asked without a risk of unnecessary costs.

The applicant believes that the within matter is a matter of public importance and raises questions of environmental concern and issues relating to the occasional use of land for events, the key questions under S.5 are.

- Is this activity considered development?
- If the first answer is in the affirmative, is this development considered exempt development?
- If the answer to the second question is that the activity is exempt development, under what provision is the development exempt development?
- If the activity is not exempt, what has the local authority done to prevent such development continuing?

The applicant herein relies on the planning files held by the local authority to establish the site layout and location of the development and does not engage unnecessary costs to establish the question which is put to the Local Authority under the provisions of Section 5. The applicant herein refers and relies on the provisions of Article 9 of the Aarhus Convention, and a number of European Directives.

The applicant does not believe Section 5 of the Planning and Development act requires the submissions of plans etc as requested in the attached form. The plain and ordinary meaning of the legislation does not provide a requirement for the form created by the planning authority.

The applicant believes that the multitude of photographs and information of previous events provide sufficient evidence of the type and scale of potential development on this site. The nature of the event is not fixed and the layout and provisions for spectators and participants varies from day to day.

The applicant herein does not believe that further information is required to assess the Section 5 application but remains willing to supply whatever information is necessary should the local authority require same under Section 5(2)(b).

Yours Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Elliott Coffey', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Elliott Coffey



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Public Services Centre
Neil T. Blaney Road
Letterkenny
Co. Donegal

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ELLIOTT COFFEY

TARA COTTAGE

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Additional Contact Information

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Please note:

- 1) The applicant's address **must** be submitted on this page.

Applicant(s) Details	
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Telephone No:	
Email Address:	ELLIOTT.COFFEY123@gmail.com

Agent Details (if applicable)	
Address:	N/A
Eircode:	
Telephone No:	
Email Address:	

Landowner Details (if applicable)	
Address:	Barry Fuels Limited Milk Isle, Bonagee, Letterkenny Co. Donegal, Letterkenny, Donegal, Ireland
Eircode:	F92 H2AH
Telephone No:	unknown
Email Address:	unknown

Advice to Applicant

- (a) **Prescribed Fee** - €80.00 - You may wish to pay the fee by card by ringing the cash office on 074 9153900. Please note the receipt number in your cover email with the form.
- (b) Application must be accompanied by:
 - **Site location map** with site clearly outlined in red (to a scale of not less than 1:1000 in built up areas and 1:2500 in all other areas).
 - **Site layout plan** (Site or layout plans shall be drawn to a scale (which shall be indicated thereon) of not less than 1:500 or such other scale as may be agreed with the planning authority prior to the submission of the application, the site boundary shall be clearly delineated in red).
 - **Elevations** (if applicable) – (plans, elevations and sections drawn to a scale of not less than 1:200).
 - **Other details** (e.g. landowner consent (if applicable), photographs as appropriate).
- (c) Completed application form & supporting documentation to be returned to the Planning Authority **by email** to planning@donegalcoco.ie
- (d) More information on exempted development can be found on the OPR planning leaflets available at <https://www.opr.ie/planning-leaflets/>

Declaration and referral on development and exempted development.

5.—(1) If any question arises as to what, in any particular case, is or is not development or is or is not exempted development within the meaning of this Act, any person may, on payment of the prescribed fee, request in writing from the relevant planning authority a declaration on that question, and that person shall provide to the planning authority any information necessary to enable the authority to make its decision on the matter.

(2) (a) Subject to F56[*paragraphs (b) and (ba)*], a planning authority shall issue the declaration on the question that has arisen and the main reasons and considerations on which its decision is based to the person who made the request under *subsection (1)*, and, where appropriate, the owner and occupier of the land in question, within 4 weeks of the receipt of the request.

(b) A planning authority may require any person who made a request under *subsection (1)* to submit further information with regard to the request in order to enable the authority to issue the declaration on the question and, where further information is received under this paragraph, the planning authority shall issue the declaration within 3 weeks of the date of the receipt of the further information.

F57[(*ba*)(i) Subject to *subparagraph (ii)*, a planning authority shall not be required to comply with *paragraph (a)* within the period referred to in that paragraph where it appears to the planning authority that it would not be possible or appropriate, because of the exceptional circumstances of the development or proposed development (including in relation to the nature, complexity, location or size of such development) identified in the request under *subsection (1)* to do so.

(ii) Where *subparagraph (i)* applies, the planning authority shall, by notice in writing served on—

(I) the person who made the request under *subsection (1)*, and

(II) each person to whom a request has been made under *paragraph (c)*,

before the expiration of the period referred to in *paragraph (a)*, inform him or her of the reasons why it would not be possible or appropriate to comply with that paragraph within that period and shall specify the date before which the authority intends that the declaration concerned shall be made.]

(c) A planning authority may also request persons in addition to those referred to in *paragraph (b)* to submit information in order to enable the authority to issue the declaration on the question.

(3) (a) Where a declaration is issued under this section, any person issued with a declaration under *subsection (2)(a)* may, on payment to the Board of such fee as may be prescribed, refer a declaration for review by the Board within 4 weeks of the date of the issuing of the declaration.

(b) Without prejudice to *subsection (2)*, in the event that no declaration is issued by the planning authority, any person who made a request under *subsection (1)* may, on payment to the Board of such fee as may be prescribed, refer the question for decision to the Board within 4 weeks of the date that a declaration was due to be issued under *subsection (2)*.

(4) Notwithstanding *subsection (1)*, a planning authority may, on payment to the Board of such fee as may be prescribed, refer any question as to what, in any particular case, is or is not development or is or is not exempted development to be decided by the Board.

(5) The details of any declaration issued by a planning authority or of a decision by the Board on a referral under this section shall be entered in the register.

(6) (a) The Board shall keep a record of any decision made by it on a referral under this section and the main reasons and considerations on which its decision is based and shall make it available for purchase and inspection.

(b) The Board may charge a specified fee, not exceeding the cost of making the copy, for the purchase of a copy of the record referred to in *paragraph (a)*.

(c) The Board shall, from time to time and at least once a year, forward to each planning authority a copy of the record referred to in *paragraph (a)*.

(d) A copy of the said record shall, at the request of a member of a planning authority, be given to that member by the F58[**chief executive**] of the planning authority concerned.

(7) A planning authority, before making a declaration under this section, shall consider the record forwarded to it in accordance with *subsection (6)(c)*.

F59[(7A) A planning authority or the Board, as the case may be, shall, in respect of a development or proposed development specified in Part 2 of Schedule 5 to the Planning and Development Regulations 2001, specify in its declaration or decision, as the case may be, whether the development or proposed development identified in the request under *subsection (1)* or in the referral under *subsection (3)* or (4), as the case may be, would be likely to have significant effects on the environment by virtue, at the least, of the nature, size or location of such development and require an environmental impact assessment.

(7B)(a) Where the planning authority issues its declaration on a request under *subsection (1)* or the Board makes its decision on a referral under *subsection (3)* or (4), as the case may be, the following documents shall, within 3 working days, be placed on the planning authority's or Board's, as the case may be, website for inspection and be made available for inspection and purchase by members of the public during office hours at the offices of the authority or Board, as the case may be, for at least the minimum period referred to in *paragraph (b)*:

(i) a copy of the question arising as to what is or is not development or is or is not exempted development within the meaning of this Act and any information, particulars, evidence, written study or further information received or obtained from any of the following:

- (I) the person making the request or referral, as the case may be;
- (II) the owner or occupier of the land in question;
- (III) any other person;
- (ii) a copy of any submissions or observations in relation to the question arising as to what is or is not development or is or is not exempted development within the meaning of this Act;
- (iii) a copy of any report prepared by or for the authority or the Board, as the case may be, in relation to the request or referral;
- (iv) a copy of the declaration of the authority or the decision of the Board, as the case may be, in respect of the question identified in the request under subsection (1) or in the referral under subsection (3) or (4), as the case may be.
- (b) The minimum period for the purposes of paragraph (a) is 8 weeks from the date of the issue of the declaration by the planning authority or the date of the decision of the Board, as the case may be.

(7C) For the purposes of subsection (7A), the Minister may, by regulations, provide for additional, consequential or supplementary matters as regards procedures in respect of a request under subsection (1) or a referral under subsection (3) or (4), as the case may be, in relation to—

- (a) the submission of information to the planning authority or the Board for those purposes,
- (b) time limits within which such information shall be so submitted,
- (c) notifications to persons concerned with the declaration or decision, as the case may be, referred to in that subsection,
- (d) steps to be taken (including matters which must be regarded) in the course of the making of such declaration or decision, or
- (e) the publication of such declaration or decision.]

F60[(8)(a) The Minister for Arts, Heritage and the Gaeltacht may apply to the Board under this subsection, without charge, for a determination as to whether an activity requiring the consent of that Minister—

- (i) F61[pursuant to a notification under Regulation 4(2) of the European Communities (Natural Habitats) Regulations 1997 (S.I. No. 94 of 1997) or pursuant to a direction under Regulation 28(1) or 29(1) of the European Communities (Birds and Natural Habitats) Regulations 2011 (S.I. No. 477 of 2011)] or under regulations made under the European Communities Act 1972 for the purpose of giving further effect to the Birds Directive or the Habitats Directive by designating a site as a special area of conservation or as a special protection area, or
- (ii) under section 19 of the Wildlife (Amendment) Act 2000,

comprises development which is not exempted development, and the Board shall make such determination as soon as may be and shall inform that Minister of its determination and the reasons for the determination.

(b) An application from the Minister for Arts, Heritage and the Gaeltacht under this subsection shall include the following:

(i) a copy of the application for consent;

(ii) any other relevant information submitted with the application for consent;

(iii) the reasons why that Minister considers that the activity may not be exempted development;

(iv) the opinion of that Minister as to whether an appropriate assessment is required, and the reasons for that opinion;

(v) the opinion of that Minister as to whether the development is likely to have significant effects on a European site or an area designated as a Natural Heritage Area under section 18 of the Wildlife (Amendment) Act 2000 and the reasons for that opinion, having regard to the purposes for which the site was designated.

(c) The Board may seek additional information from—

(i) the applicant for consent, or

(ii) the Minister for Arts, Heritage and the Gaeltacht.

and where this is not provided within the period specified, or any further period as may be specified by the Board, the Board shall not make a determination on the matter and the application of that Minister under this subsection shall be deemed to be withdrawn and the Board shall inform that Minister accordingly.

(d) In paragraph (a)(i) "special area of conservation" and "special protection area" have the same meaning as they have in section 177R.]



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16 June 2025 · 🌐



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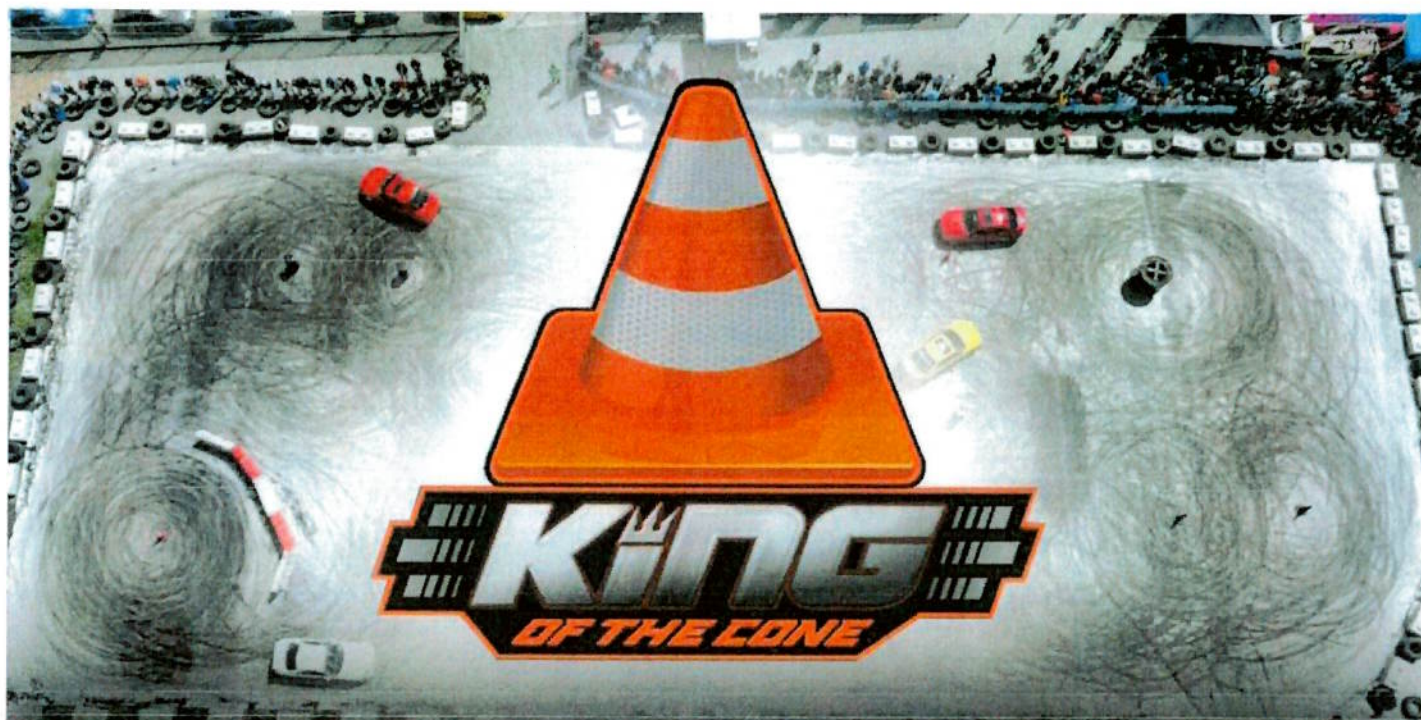
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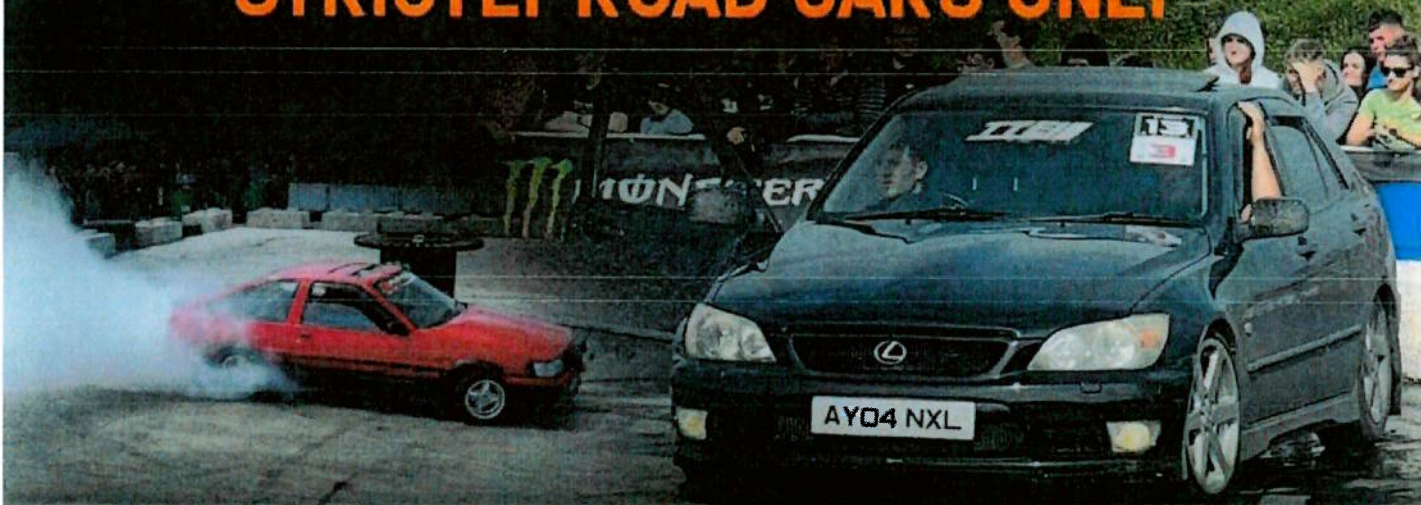
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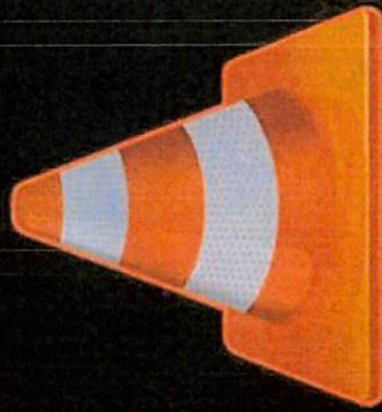
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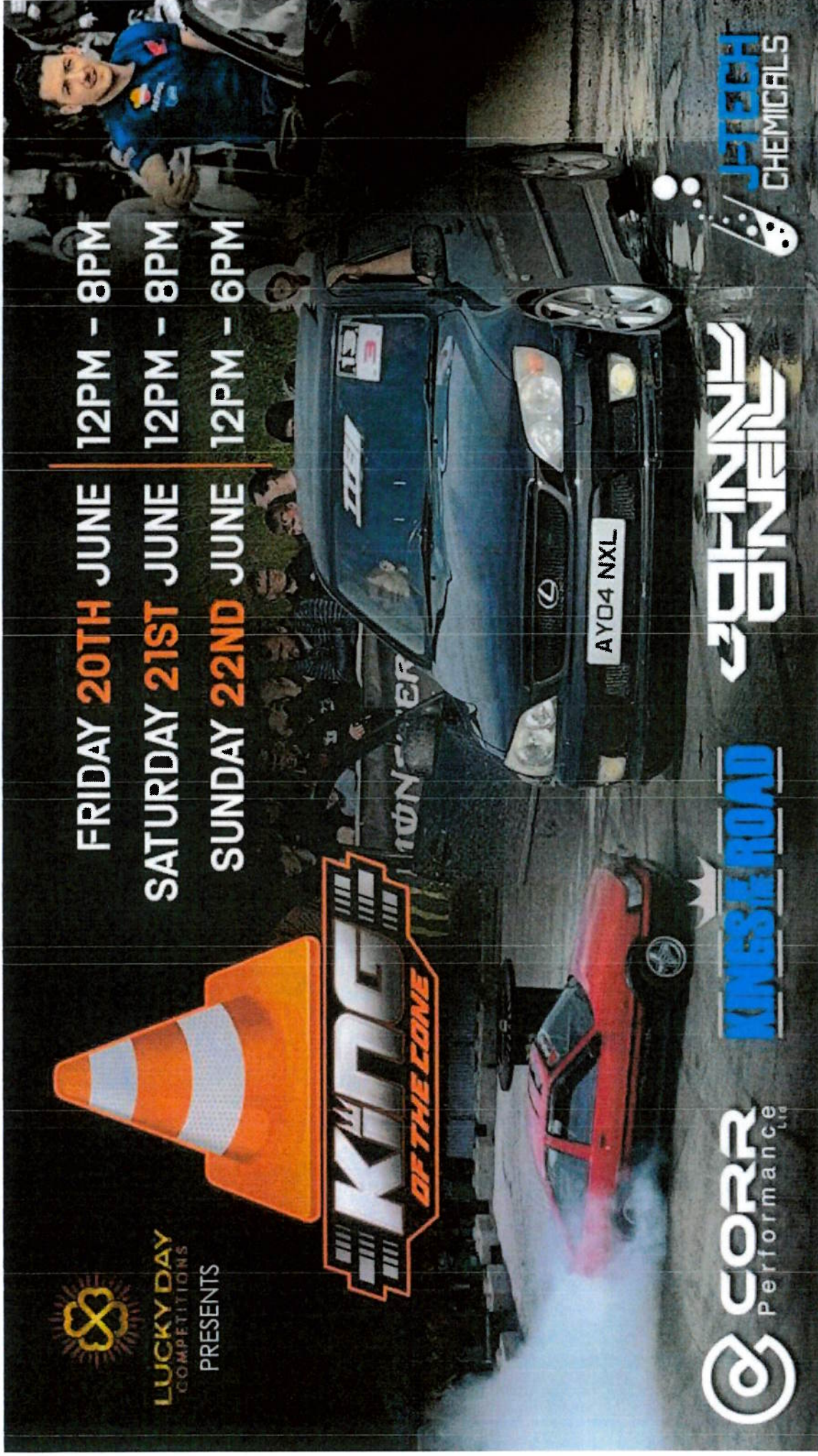



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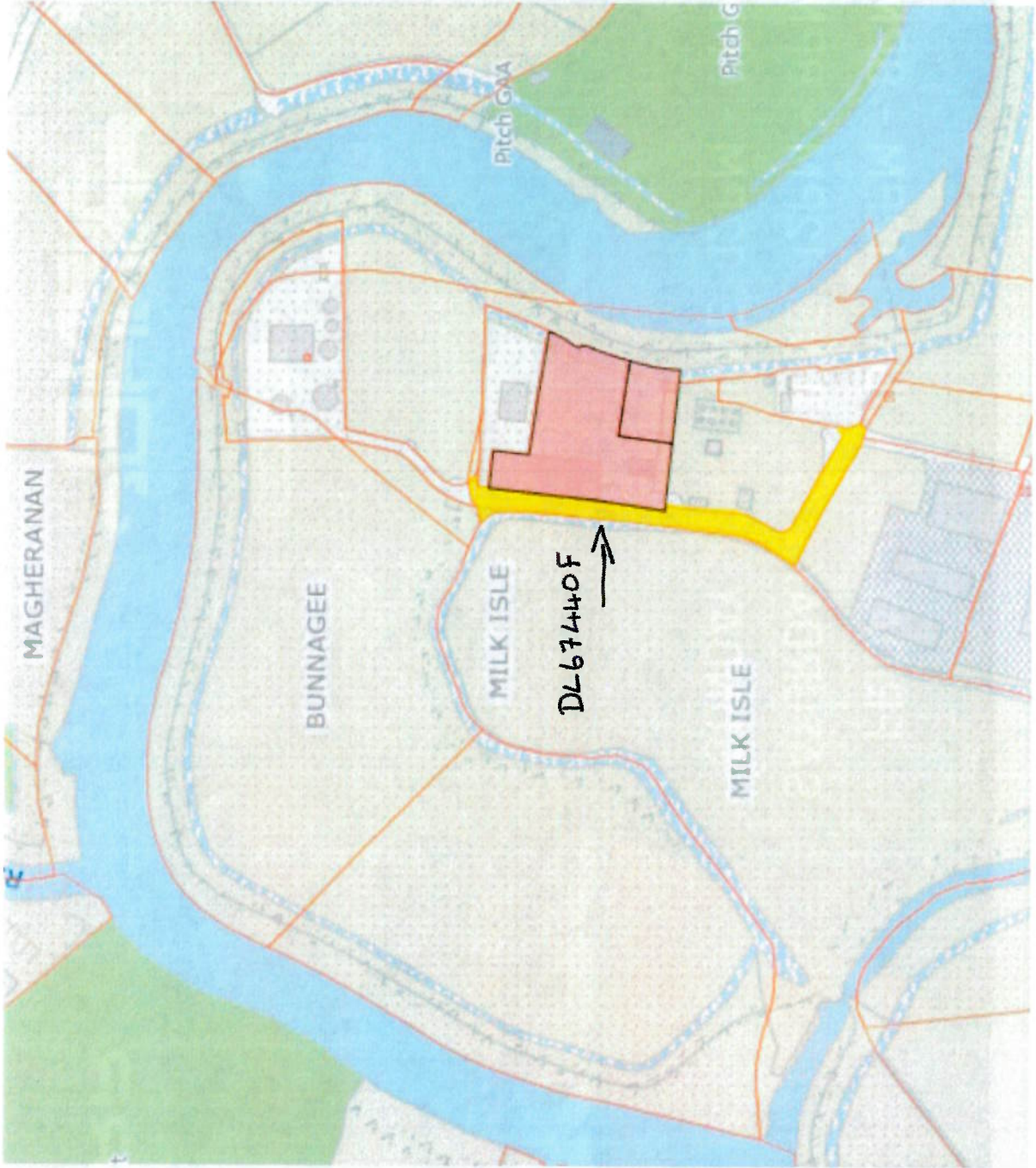


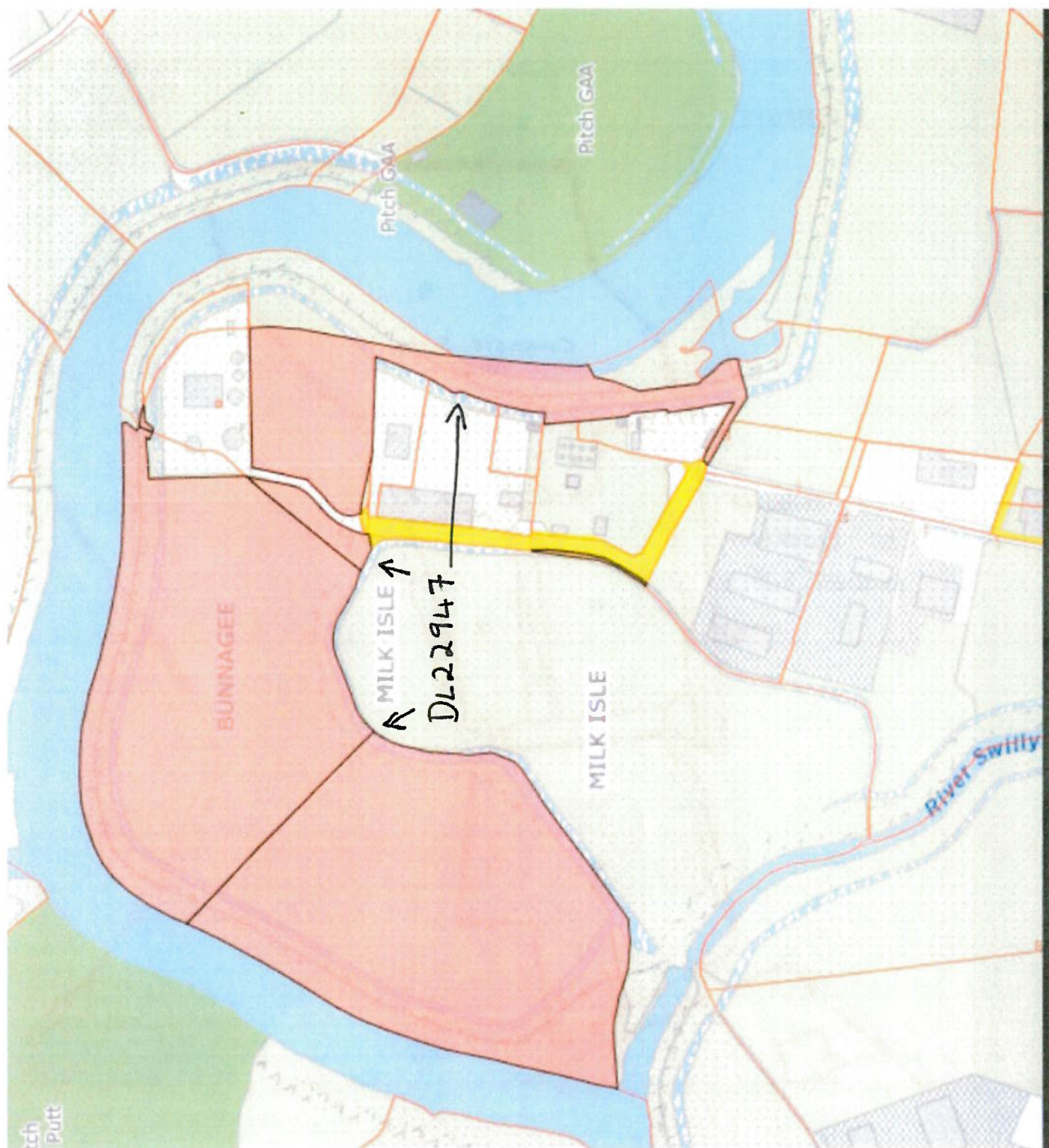

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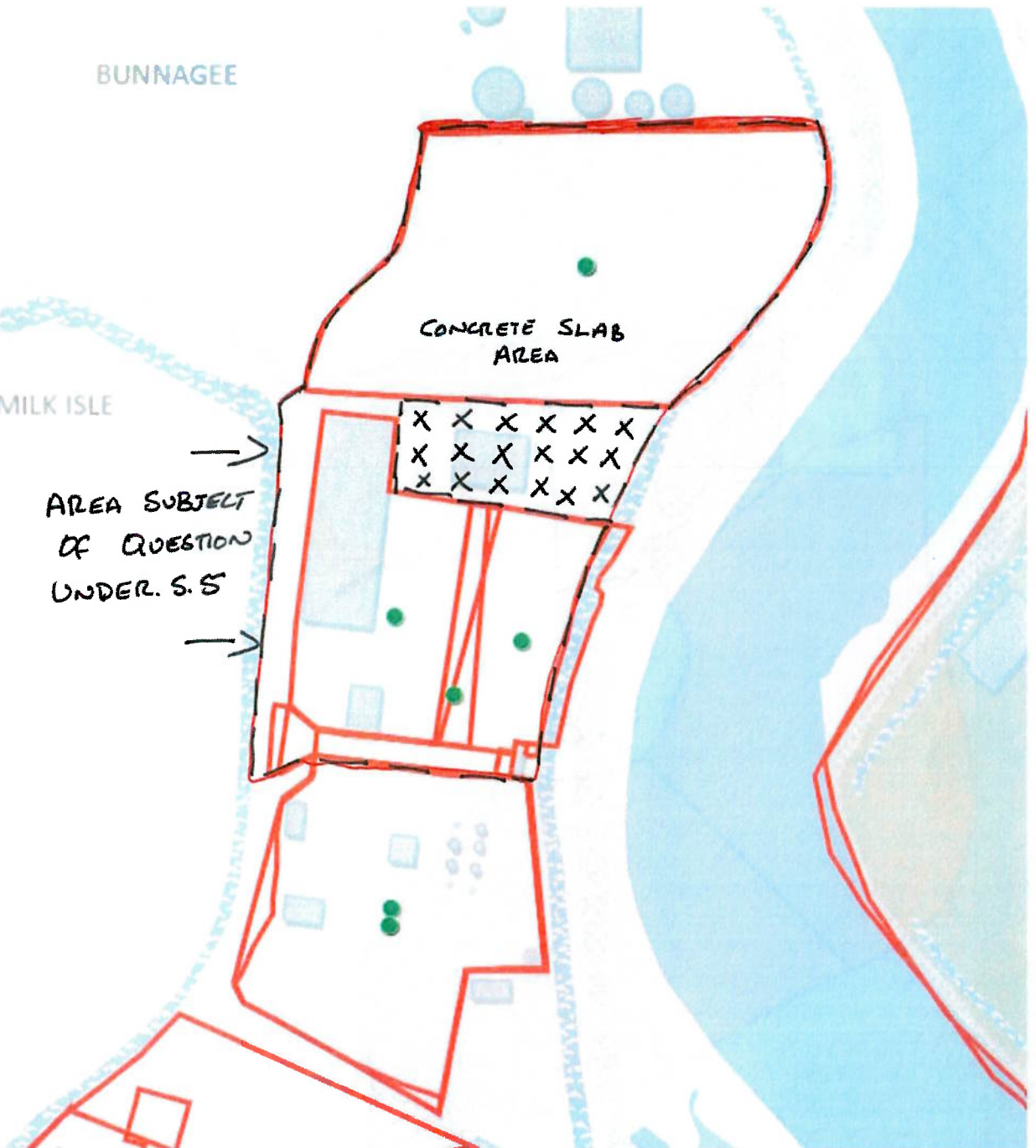
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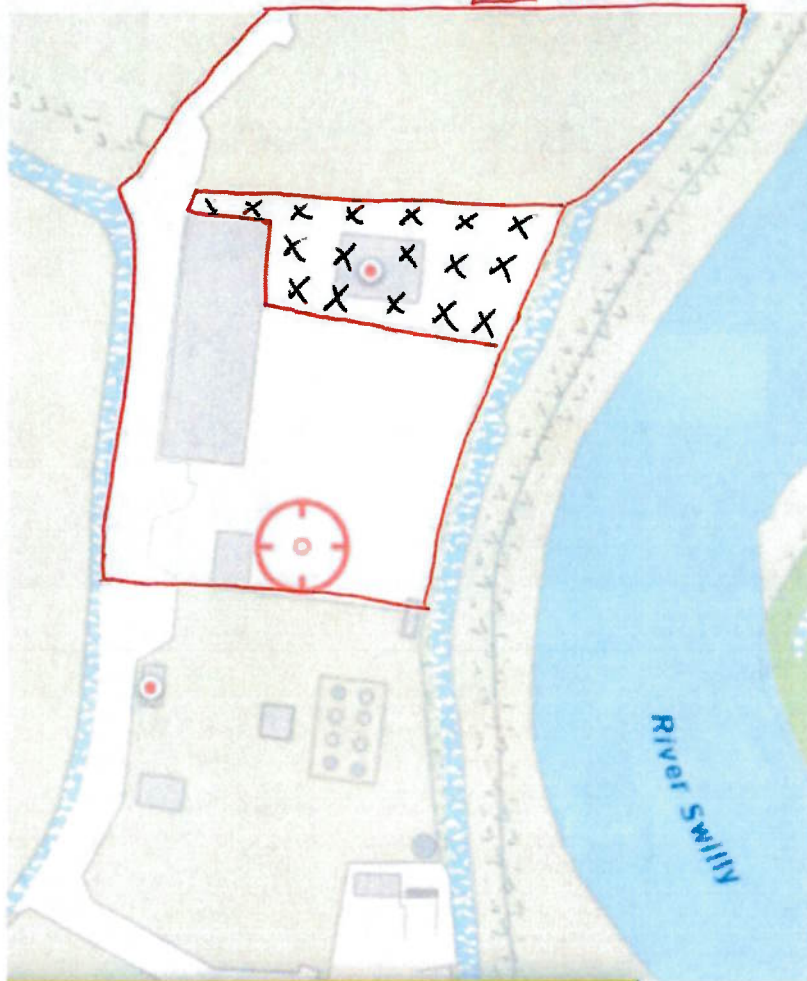
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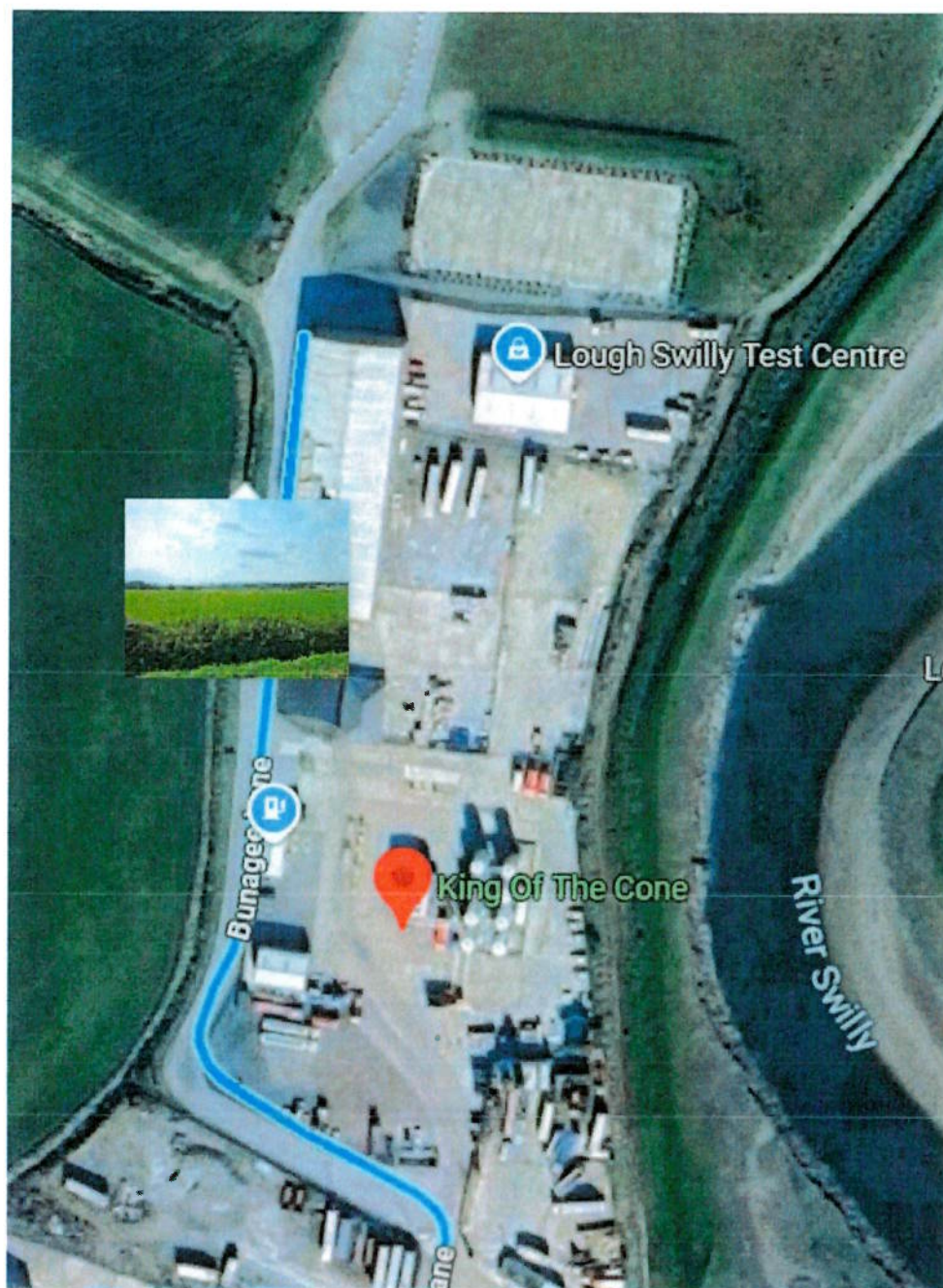
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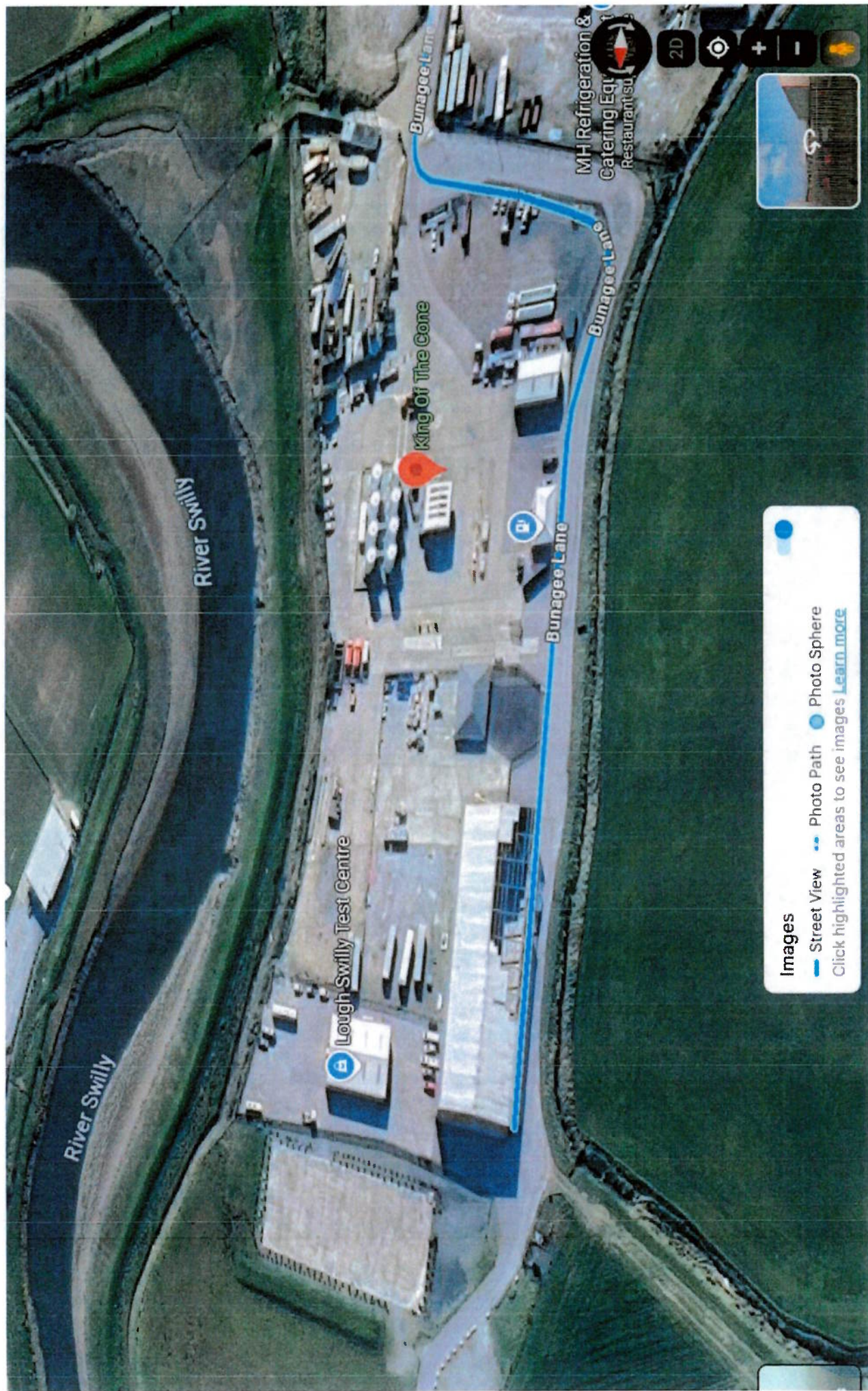


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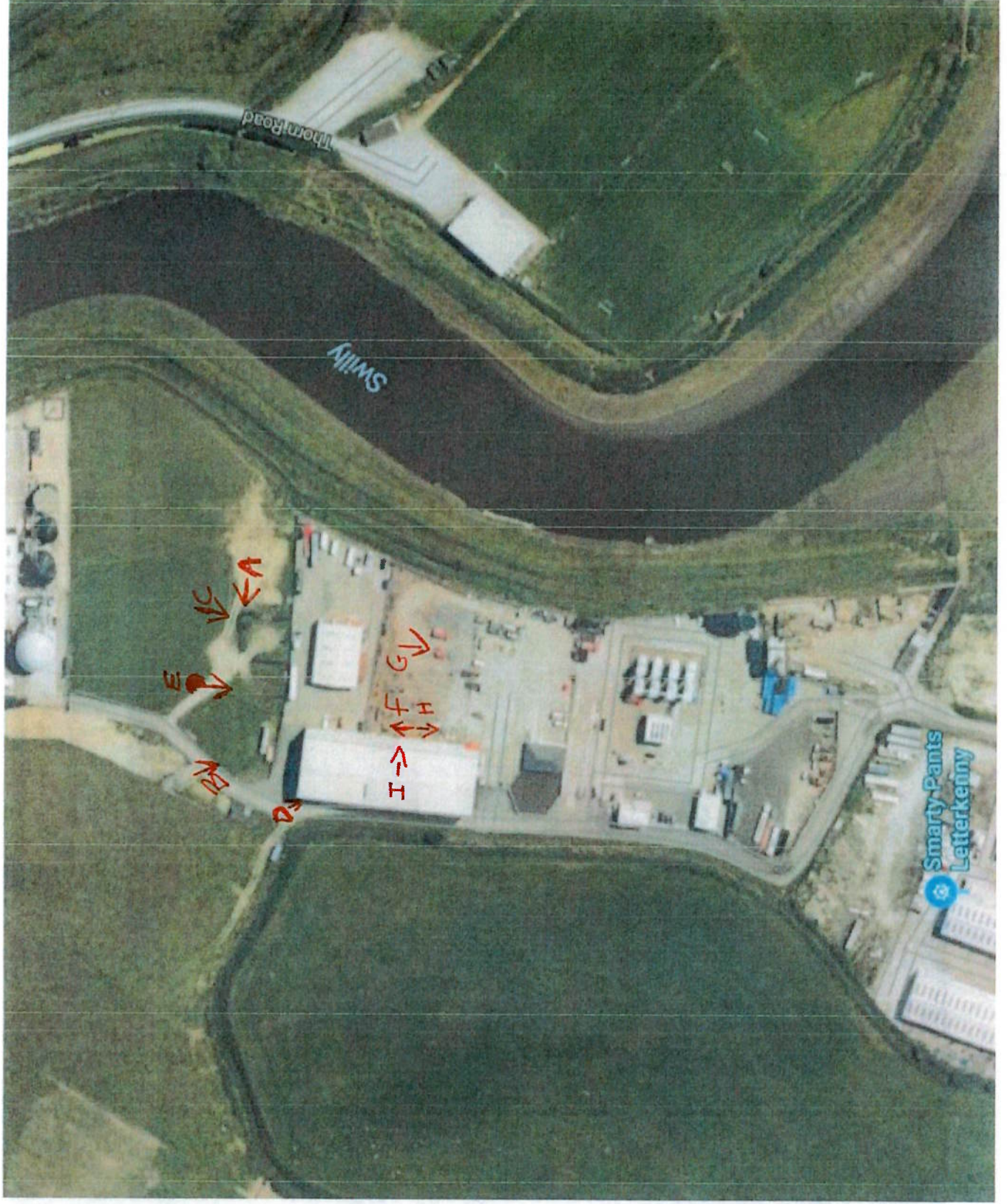


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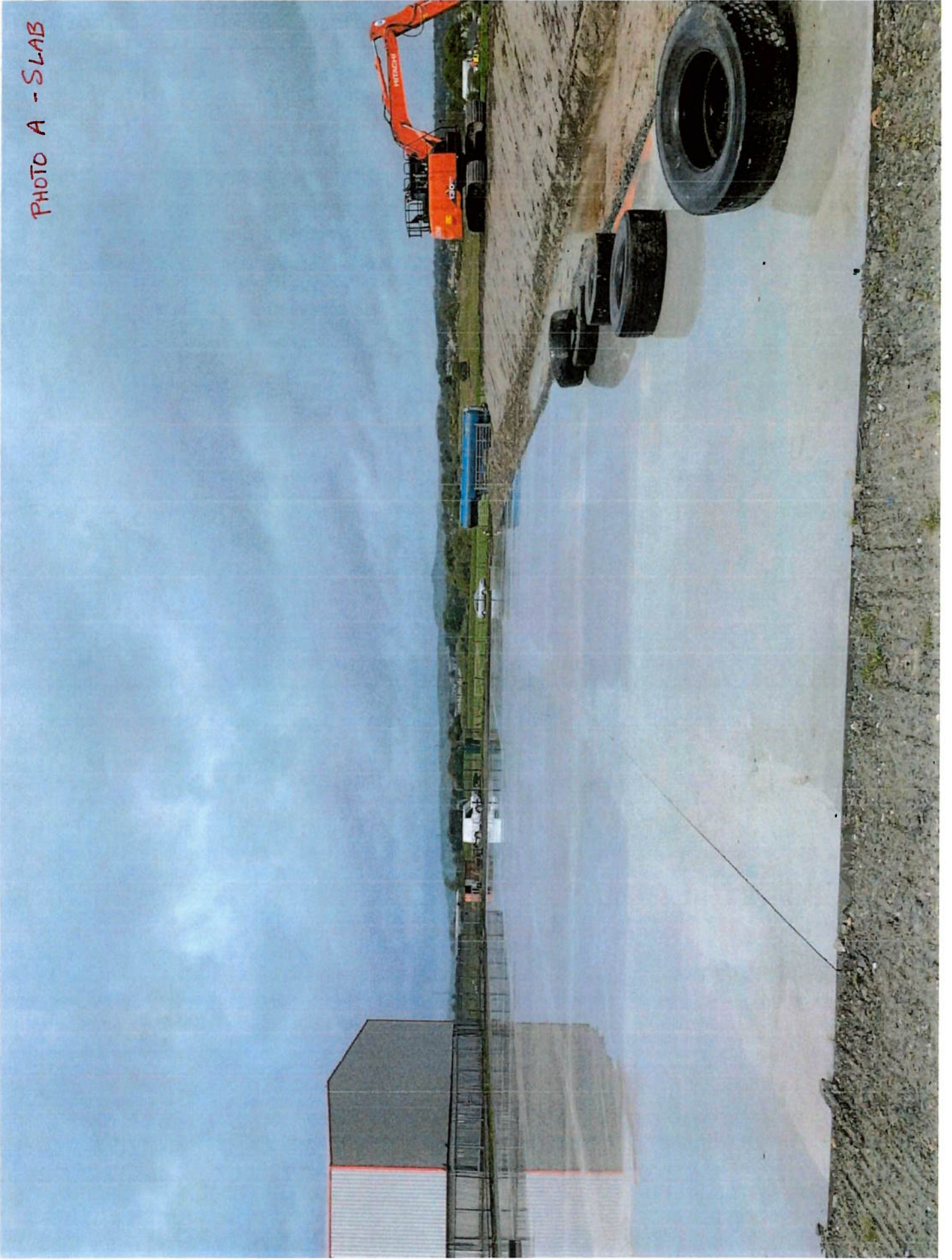


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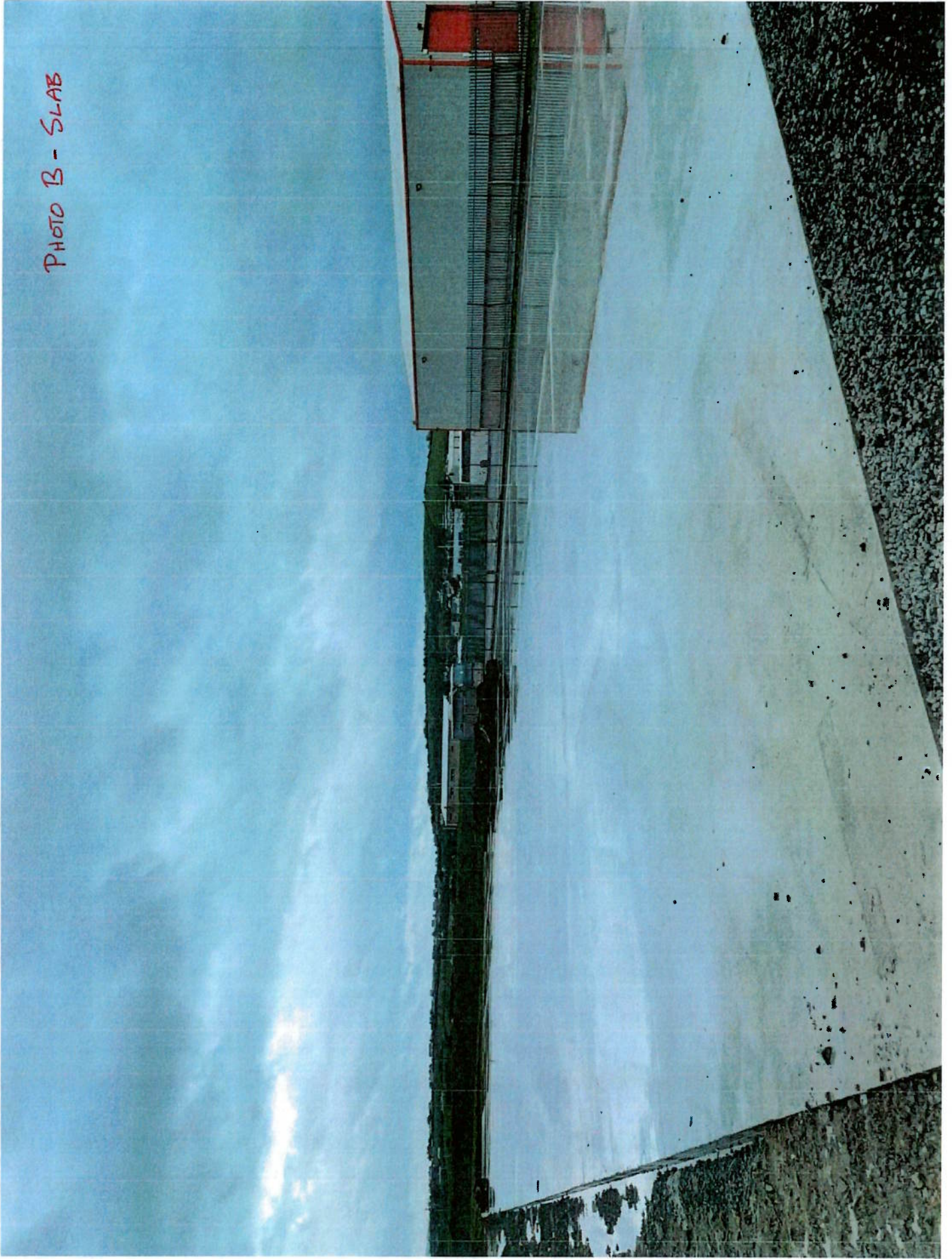


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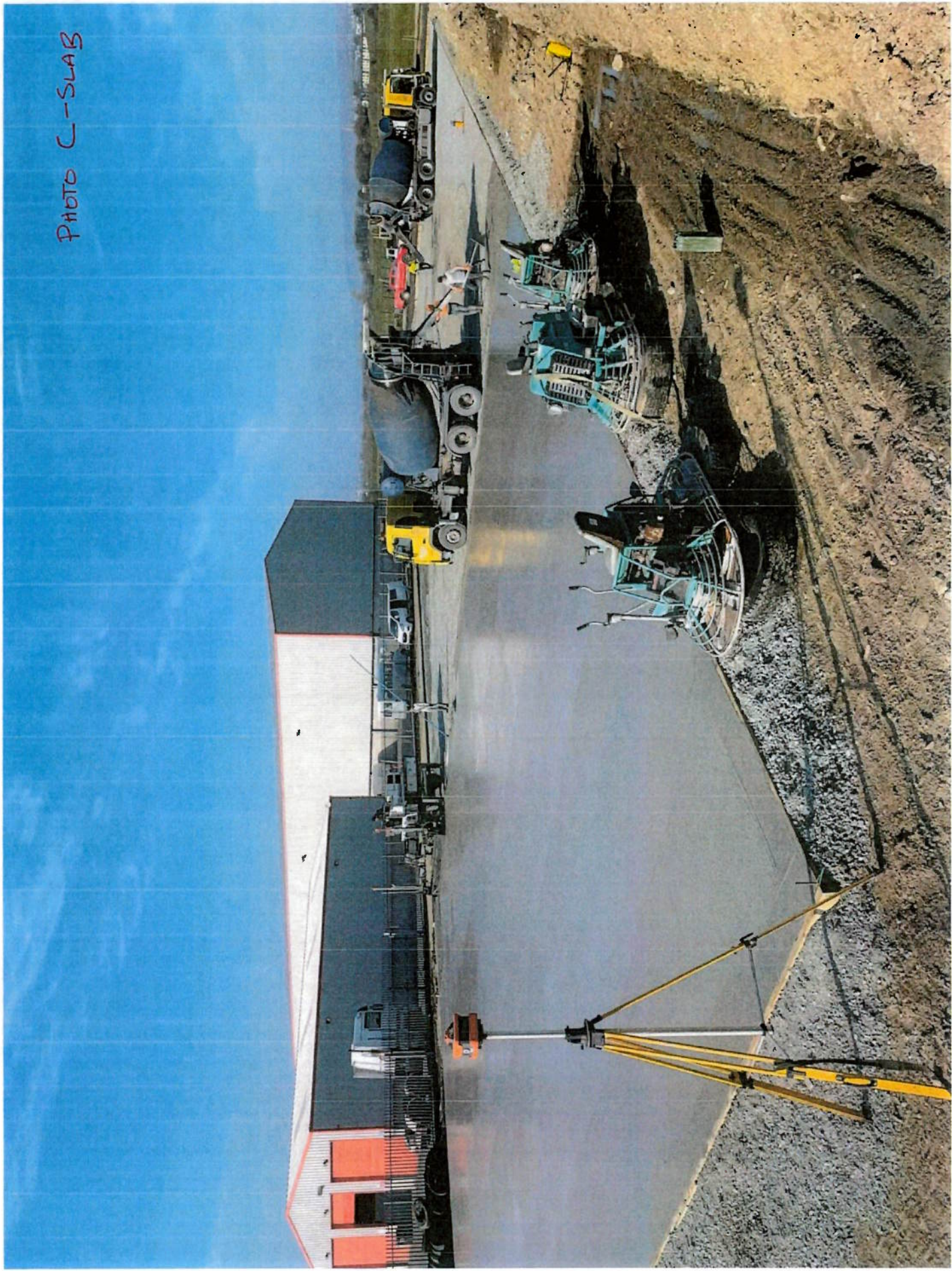


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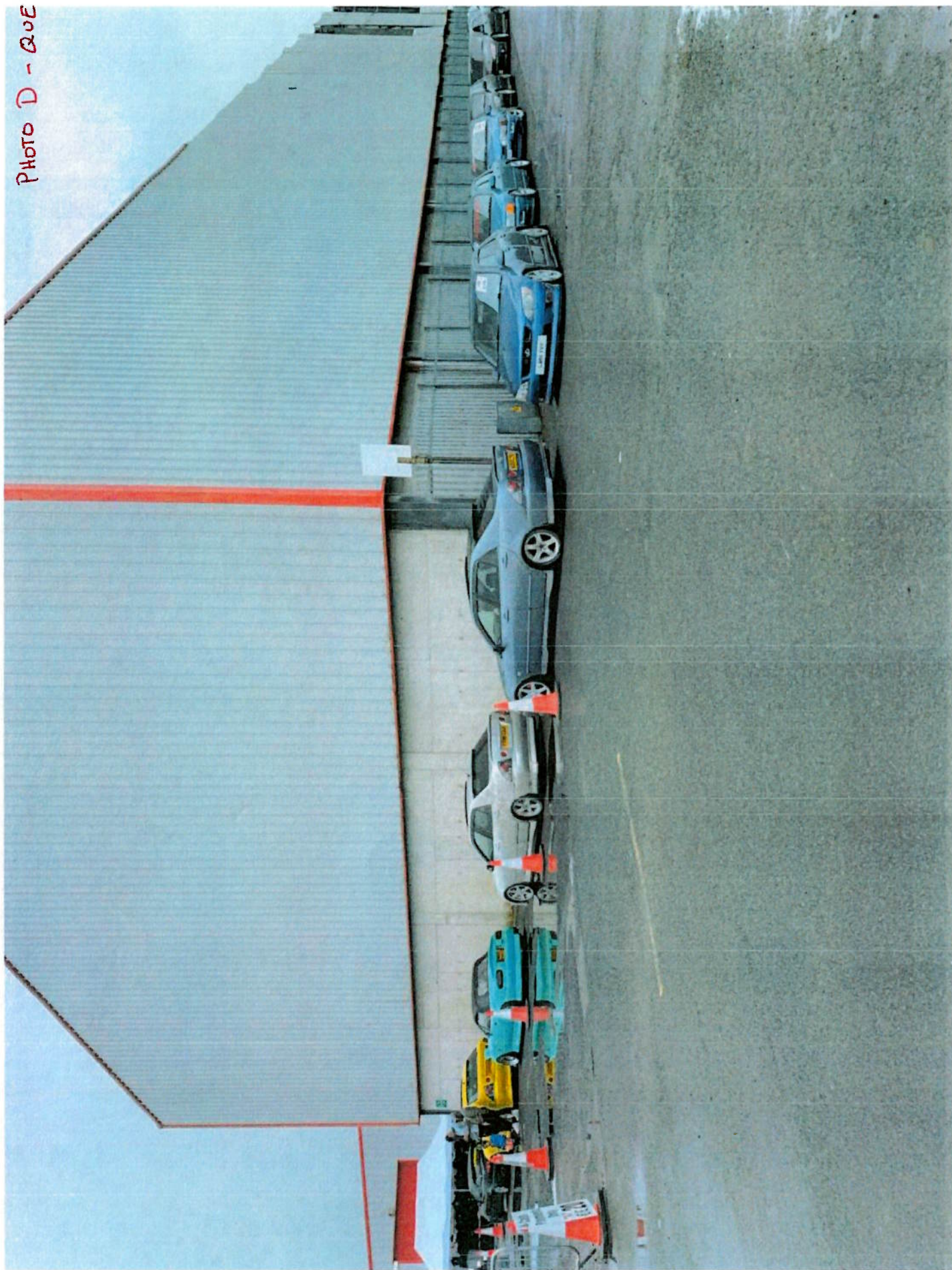


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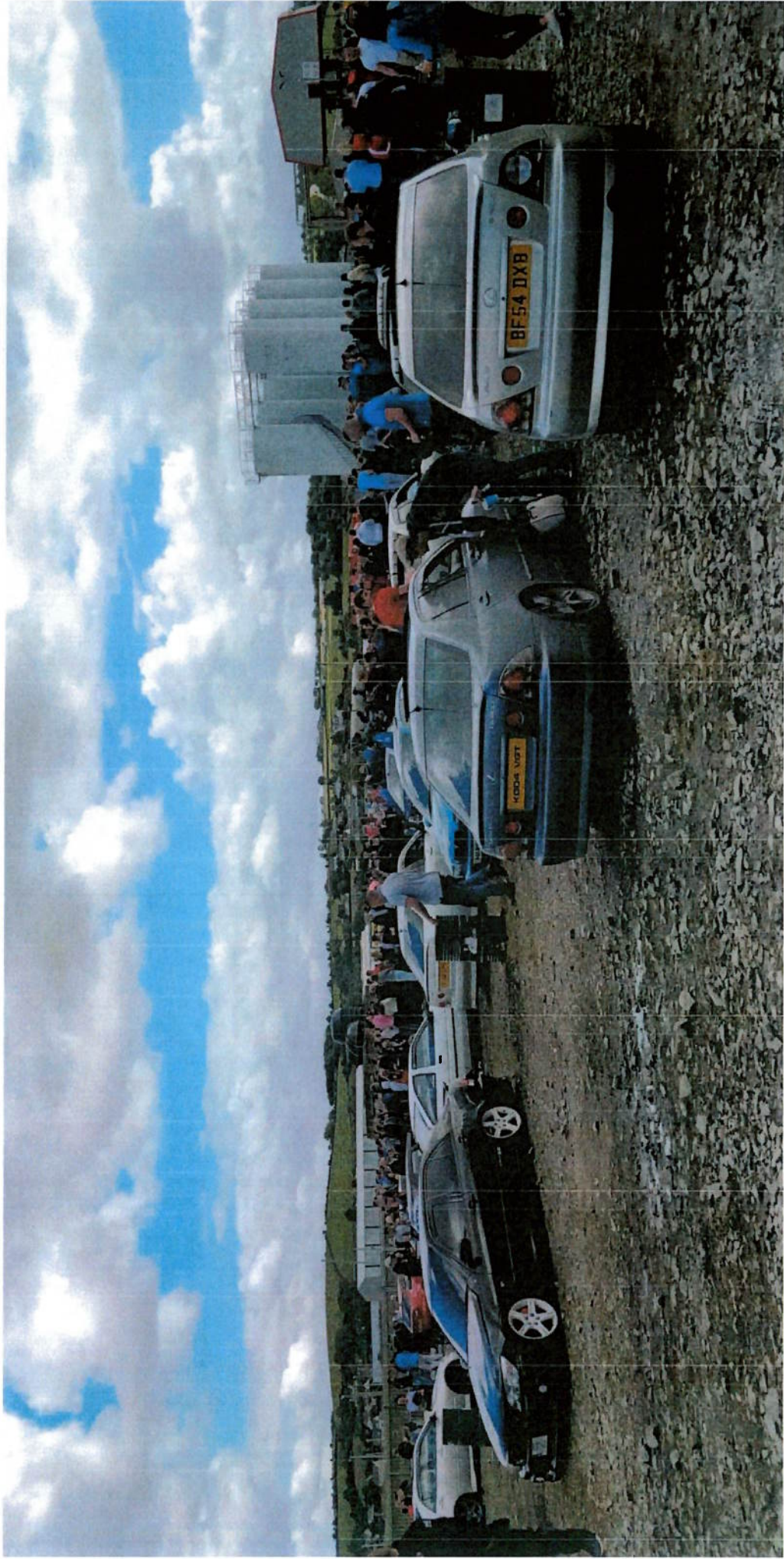
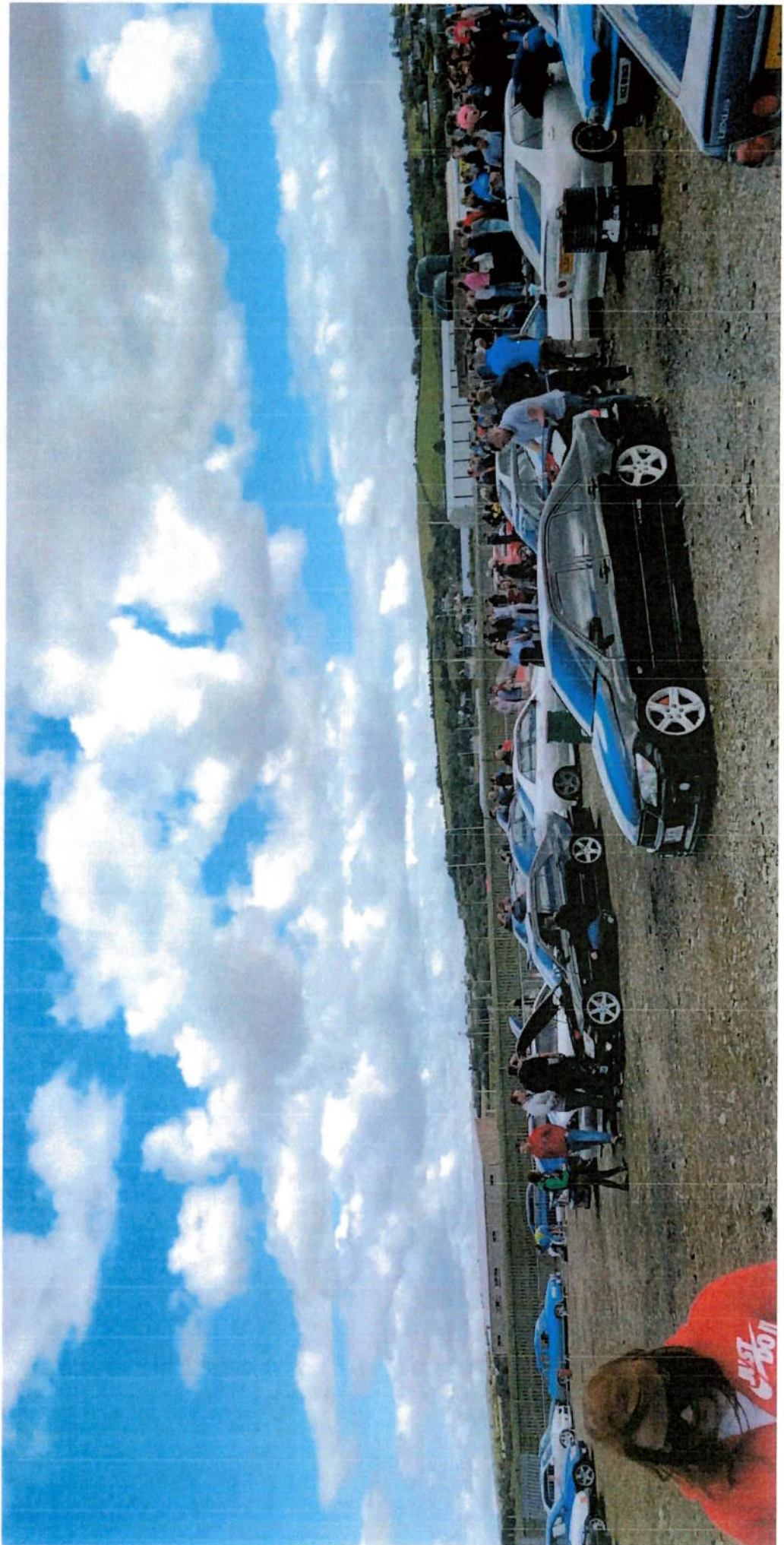
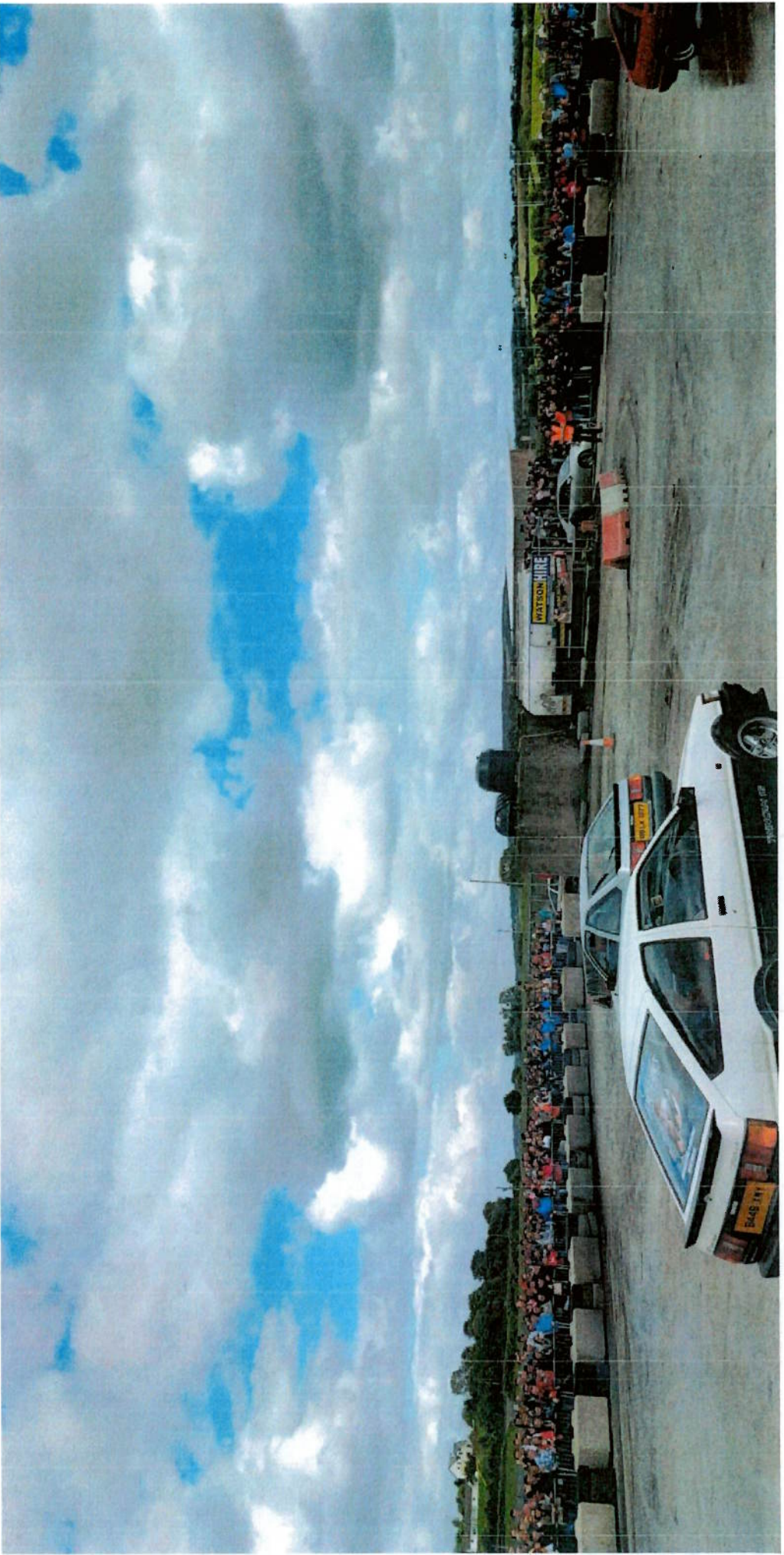


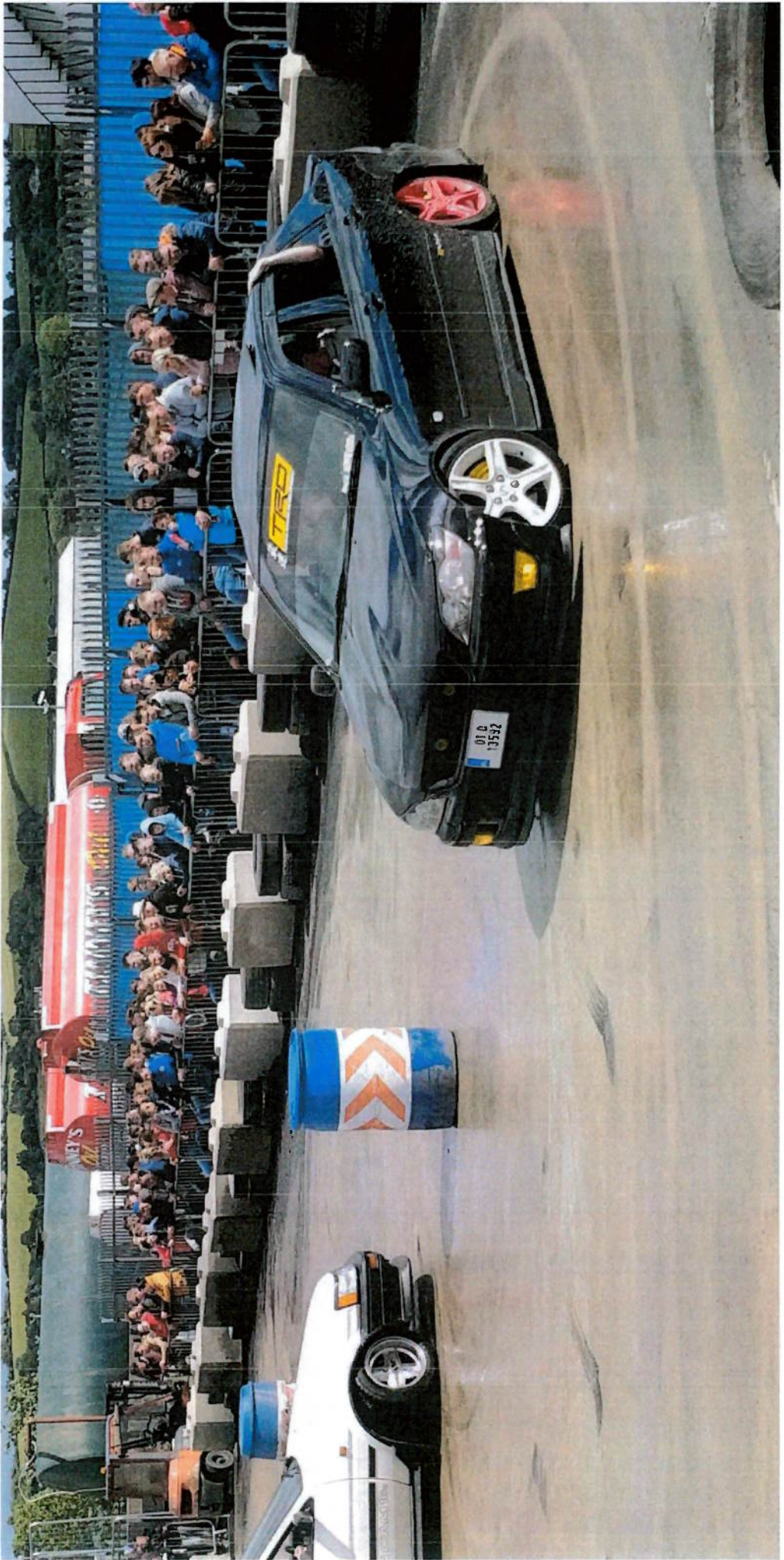
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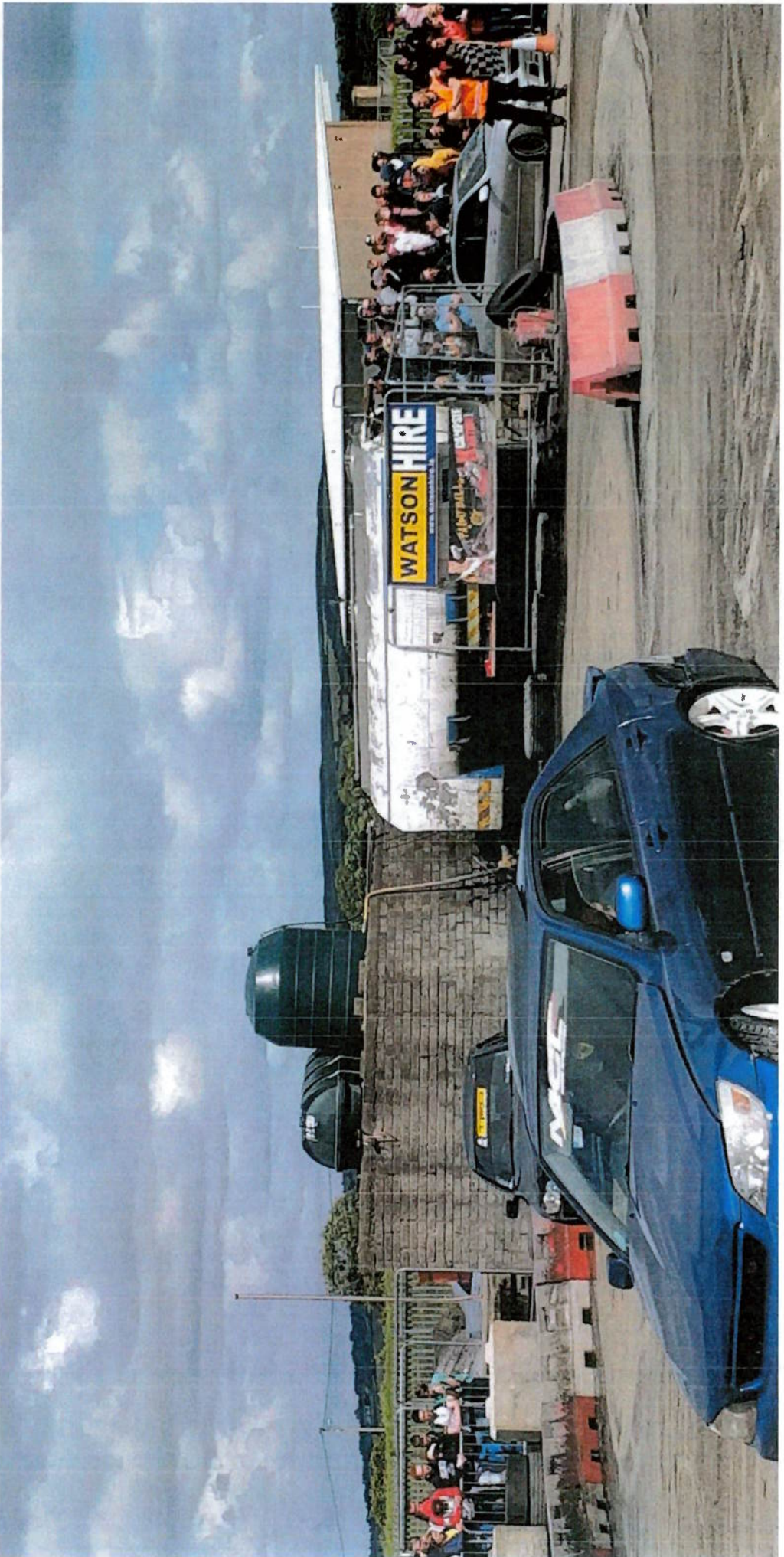
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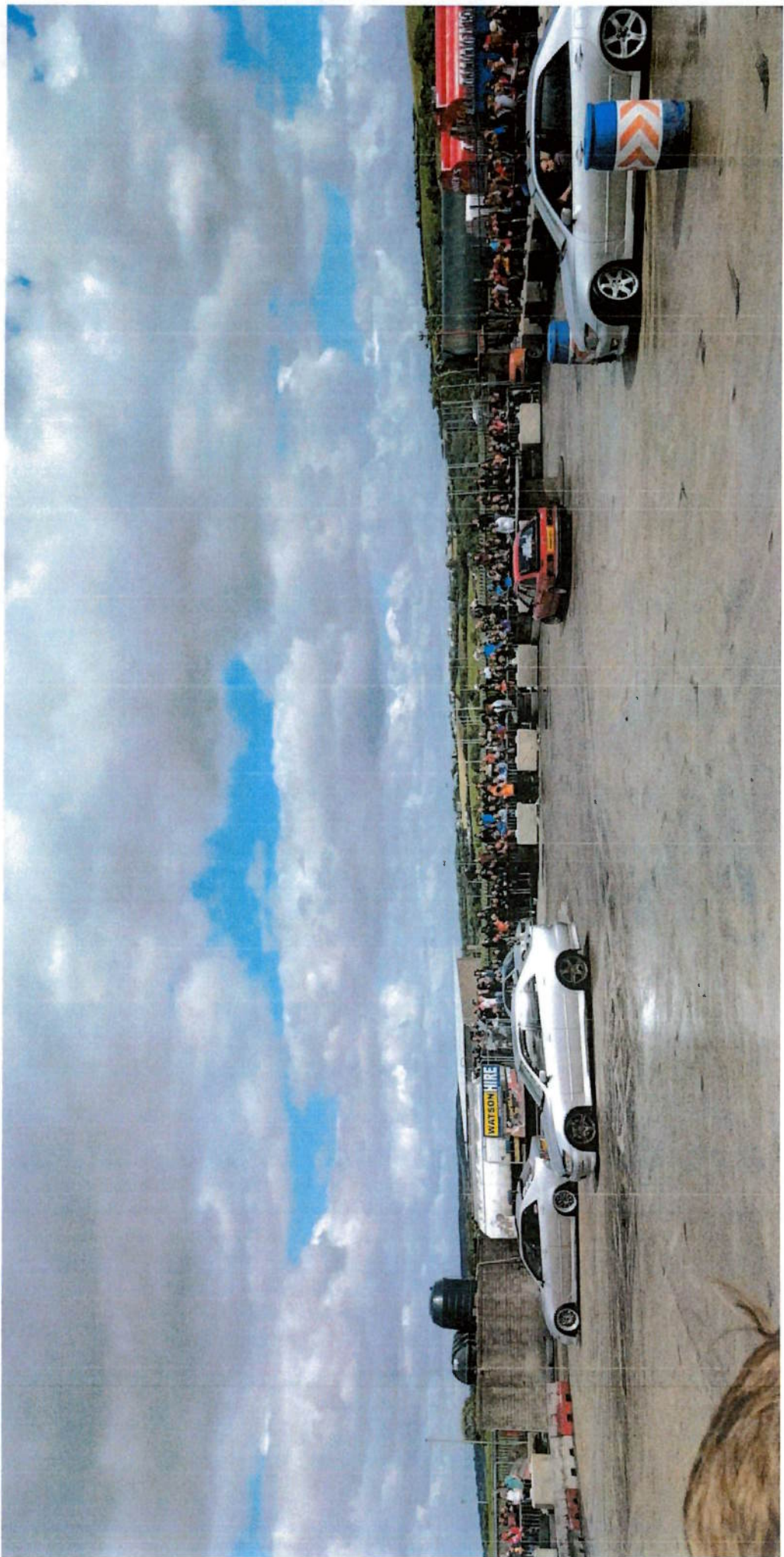


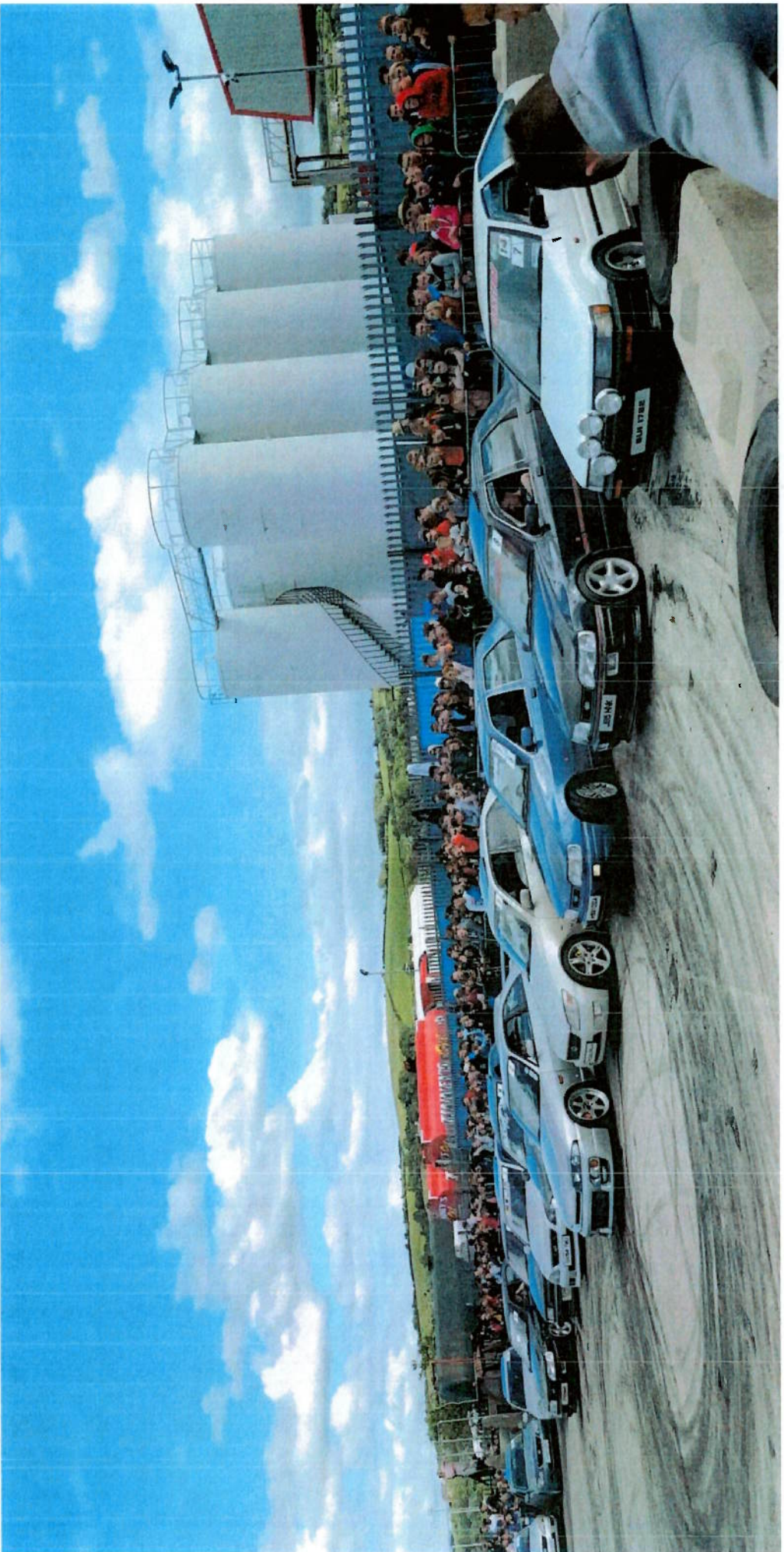






















Elliott Coffey
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7th June 2026

An Coimisiún Pleanála
64 Marlborough Street
Dublin 1
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Reference of Section 5 Application to An Coimisiún Pleanála

Donegal County Council Ref: S526/56 – CEO Number: 2026PH1275

Dear Sir / Madam;

I wish to refer the above matter to the Commission on the basis that the decision reached by the local authority is;

1. **Irrational** – There is no justification as to how the development does not fall within the exempted development allowable under Class 37. On a prima facie overview of the matter, it appears to comply with the requirements of exempt development *inter alia* under class 37. The local authority sponsored the said activity which it now claims is unauthorised development.
2. **Not properly reasoned** – There is an abhorrent lack of information provided to support the assertion that the development is not considered exempt. The rationale given by the local authority is;

“The proposal IS DEVELOPMENT within the meaning of the Planning and Development Act, 2000 (as amended); and IS NOT EXEMPTED DEVELOPMENT under:

- *Section 4(4) of the Planning and Development Act 2000 (as amended) as the environmental impacts of the said use are such that it requires to be the subject of an Appropriate Assessment and*
- *Article 9(1)(a) (viiB) of the abovementioned regulations for the same reason.”*

The decision does not state why an appropriate assessment is required, it refers vaguely to environmental impacts but does not specify how these impacts are considered measured or estimated. It does not provide any detail on how this may be differentiated from a local event such as a tractor show or vintage car show. The local authority does not provide a suitably reasoned decision which is a requirement in making any decision under a statutory authority. I refer to the decision of the Supreme Court in *Connelly v. An Bord Pleanála* [2018] IESC 31.

In respect of the above I formally request that the within Section 5 application and decision be reviewed by the Commission.

If you require any further information, please contact me by email
Elliott.coffey123@gmail.com

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Elliott Coffey".

Elliott Coffey

The within appeal and documentation is delivered electronically.

The Appellant herein submitted the original Section 5 Application and has standing to file this appeal, having paid the fees as required by statute.



**Comhairle Contae
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Donegal County Council

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Ref. No: S526/56

16 April 2026

Elliott Coffey
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DECLARATION ON DEVELOPMENT & EXEMPTED DEVELOPMENT

Re: Application for a Section 5 Declaration –Carrying out of Motorsport events on an occasional basis for no more than 29 days aggregate in any one calendar year with no event lasting more than 4 days in any one instance at Tinneys Coal, Bonagee, Letterkenny, Co. Donegal

A Chara,

I wish to acknowledge receipt of your application for a Section 5 Declaration which was received on 15th April 2026.

Donegal County Council
Planning Services

