

KILKENNY COUNTY COUNCIL

REPORT - Dated 22nd June, 2023

In Accordance with Section 179A of the Planning and Development Acts, 2000 as amended

RE: Old Weather Station Site, Dunningstown Rd, Kilkenny

<u>For consideration by the Chief Executive</u> <u>of Kilkenny County Council</u>

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1. Introduction

This report has been prepared for consideration by the Chief Executive of Kilkenny County Council and contains information regarding the proposed development, as required in accordance with Section 179A of the Planning & Development Acts, 2000 as amended .

2. Description of Proposed Development

The proposal put forward provides for the demolition of the existing structures on the site and the construction of 6no. own door apartments (4no. 1-bed and 2 no. 2bed) in a two-storey building, and all associated site works including roadways, parking, bin store and landscaping.

3. Application of S179A

		Yes/No
	the land is owned by the local	
Α	authority or another specified State	
	Body;	Yes
R	the land is zoned for residential	
D	development;	Yes
	the proposed development does not	
C	materially contravene the	
C	development plan or local area plan	
	for the area;	Yes
	the proposed development is in	
D	accordance with the relevant local	
	authority's housing strategy ;	Yes
	the land is serviced or will be	
	serviced with the necessary	
Ε	supporting infrastructure or facilities	
	within the timeframe of the	
	development;	Yes

Comment

	the proposed development is not		
	required to undergo environmental		
Б	impact assessment (EIA) under the		Carooning report attached
Г	EIA Directive or appropriate		Screening report attached
	assessment (AA) under the Habitats		
	Directive; and	Yes	
	the development works in question		Expected to go to tender Q4
G	are commenced by no later than 31		2023 and commence on site
	December 2024.	Yes	Q1 2024

4. Pre-planning

As part of the planning application process the Area Planner, City Engineer, Roads Design, Water Services and Environment Section were advised of planning requirements through a formal pre-planning submission prior to finalising the details of the application.

5. Implications for Proper Planning and Sustainable Development of the Area

The proposed development is consistent with the provisions of the Kilkenny City and County Development Plan 2021-2027 and is compatible with the proper planning and sustainable development for the area. Copy of a report to this effect from the Planning Department is appended to this report.

Appended to this report are reports from (see Appendix B):

- Planning Department
- > Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Screening
- > Appropriate Assessment (AA) Screening
- Roads Design Office Report

The following comments were noted by the Planning Department and will be addressed as follows:

1. Wastewater: Uisce Eireann have noted that the proposed wastewater connection will be via Talbots Court existing third-party infrastructure; and that permission to connect to this network will be required at application stage. In this regard it should be noted that Talbots Court has been 'taken-in-charge' by the Council ref. TC104; it would appear that the Council would have sufficiency of interest with regard to connection to the public sewer, however, the proposing section should satisfy themselves of same.

Housing Capital are satisfied that the wastewater network from the new development can discharge into the existing sewer in Talbot's Court and permission from Uisce Eireann for a connection will be made at application stage. Proposed connection details are shown Kilgallen & Partners Consulting Engineers drawings in Appendix A.

2. Surface Water: No stormwater will be permitted to enter the wastewater network as per the response from Uisce Eireann; proposals are required for on-site surface water management and disposal.

Kilgallen & Partners, Consulting Engineers have designed proposals for the collection, storage and discharge of surface water on site and these are detailed in the Engineering Services Report attached in Appendix A.

3. Waste Management: Prior to commencement of development, a waste management plan for the construction and demolition phases of development is recommended.

Prior to commencement of development, a waste management plan for the construction and demolition phases of the development will be prepared in conjunction with the building contractor.

4. Access: A report has been received from the Roads Design Office dated 25th April 2023, with a number of recommendations to be addressed as part of the proposed development; these recommendations should be addressed in the detailed design. The proposing section shall ensure that they have sufficiency of interest to carry out any required works to achieve sightlines on lands outside of the site boundaries.

The following recommendations from the Roads Design Office have either been addressed in the revised drawings or will be addressed in the detailed design:

- a) The entrance detail has been revised on the current site layout to prioritise pedestrian movements on the public footpath as against the vehicular traffic for the proposed entrance and this has been shown on the Roads and Streets Site Layout prepared by Kilgallen & Partners.
- b) Visibility splays will be provided in accordance with the requirements of the DMRD and DMURS for 50km/h speed limit to suit the realignment of the Dunningstown Road fronting the development.
- c) The anomaly of the radius provided for the proposed roadway edge on the architectural layout drawings will be corrected as part of the detailed design.
- d) An appropriate variation/ demarcation in material finish between the public road and the internal road/ footpaths provided within the site has been included. It is proposed to use a coloured chip asphalt for the internal road surface to create a 'Home Zone' shared area for pedestrians and vehicles.
- e) An additional two parking spaces have been provided and shown on the layout drawings to indicate a total of 8no. parking spaces. The turning head has been kept as it is required to allow a refuse vehicle to turn within the site and exit in a forward direction.
- f) It is proposed to create a 'Home Zone' shared pedestrian and vehicular route within the site. This will utilise a different surface finish and a 6mm kerb between 'Home Zone' area and the landscaping and footpaths as shown on the Roads and Streets Site Layout prepared by Kilgallen & Partners.

- g) The proposed entry will be reviewed as part of the detailed design to ensure compatibility with the design of the adjacent entrance of the permitted development, ref P22/486.
- h) A public lighting design has been prepared by Ronan Meally Consulting Engineers and a copy is attached in Appendix A.
- All proposed lighting columns will be located a minimum of 450mm off the roadway edge and installed in such a manner to not obstruct pedestrian footpaths.
- j) All required road marking and signage will be in compliance with the Department of Transport, Traffic Signs Manual, 2019
- k) Slow zone signage will be provided at the entrance into the site in accordance with DTTAS Traffic Signs Advice Note-2016-02.
- Stop signage and road markings will be provided at the junction with the public road.
- m) A detailed Construction and Environmental Management Plan (CEMP) including a Traffic Management Plan for the proposed development will be prepared in conjunction with the appointed contractor and agreed with the Municipal District Office prior to commencement of development works.
- n) The final finishes, construction make-up and detailing of the proposed footpath and the layout of the proposed entrance will be agreed with the local Municipal District Office.
- o) In the event that development entrance works proceed prior to the Dunningstown Road improvement works, the Housing Technical section will ensure that the sightlines and visibility splays from the development entrance to the existing road will be optimised in consultation with the Roads Section of Kilkenny County Council.
- 5. Site Notice: In accordance with article 81A (2) (e) of the Planning and Development Regulations 2001, as amended, the site notice shall "(e) indicate its determinations under

articles 81A(5) and 81A(6),"; therefore the determination of the AA Screening shall also be included in the site notice.

Site notices should be erected on the Dunningstown Road and in Talbots Court

A copy of the proposed site notice is included in Appendix C and includes the determination of the Appropriate Assessment (AA) screening that there is no likelihood of significant effects on a European Site and that an Appropriate Assessment is not required. The site notice will be erected on both the Dunningstown Road and the Talbots Court sides of the site.

- 6. Layout and landscaping: The site layout would benefit from the inclusion of;
 - a *pedestrian/cycle link* to Talbots Court;
 - Specification of proposed boundary types and extents and details of roof finishes should be clarified.
 - landscaping which includes planting of native species, and pollinator friendly species.

A pedestrian footpath will be included as part of the realignment of the Dunningstown Rd which will link the development to local services and amenities. It is not proposed to include an additional link to Talbots Court. There are concerns that a link to Talbots Court may lead to objections from residents in that estate and may reduce the security of the new development.

The specification of the boundary types is shown on the Architectural Site Layout attached in Appendix A and consists of a 2.1 metre high block wall with a concrete capping to the adjoining private residential site to the east and a 1.8 metre metal paladine fence to the open space of the Talbot's Court estate to the north. Proposed roof finishes will be a selected standing seam metal roof and this has been indicated on the Architectural Roof Plan.

A detailed Landscaping plan will be developed as part of the tender documents and will include native species and pollinator friendly species.

7. Archaeology: Consultation with the National Monuments Section is recommended, prior to commencement of any development on site. The mitigation measures as per section 6 of the Archaeological Impact Assessment shall be adhered to in relation to the proposed development.

All ground works will be monitored by a qualified archaeologist and mitigation measures as outlined in the Archaeological Impact Assessment will be adhered to.

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Report prepared by:

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Richard Vaughan

Executive Architect

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Kilkenny County Council's Intention Regarding Proposed Development

Proposed Development:

S179A Proposal Old Weather Station Site, Dunningstown Rd, Kilkenny

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I recommend that Kilkenny County Council proceed with the proposed development in accordance with the report and recommendation from the Housing Capital Section dated 22nd June 2023

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Mary J Mulholland Director of Services

I approve Kilkenny County Council proceeding with the proposed development in accordance with the report and recommendation from the Housing Capital Section dated 22nd June 2023

SIGNED:

Sean McKeown Interim Chief Executive

Appendix A

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ONE BEDROOM GFL AGE FRIENDLY APTS. OVERALL AREA REQUIRED = 45m² OVERALL AREA PROVIDED = 52m² KDL FLOOR AREA REQ. = 23m² KDL FLOOR AREA PROVIDED = 24.4m² BEDROOM FLOOR AREA REQ. = 11.4m² BEDROOM FLOOR AREA PROVIDED = 12.6m² STORAGE AREA REQUIRED = 3m² STORAGE AREA PROVIDED = 3.2m² PRIVATE AMENTIY REQUIRED = 5m² PRIVATE AMENTIY PROVIDED = 35/26m²

ONE BEDROOM FFL APARTMENTS

OVERALL AREA REQUIRED = 45m² OVERALL AREA PROVIDED = 48m²

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STORAGE AREA REQUIRED = 3m² STORAGE AREA PROVIDED = 3m²

PRIVATE AMENTIY REQUIRED = 5m² PRIVATE AMENTIY PROVIDED = 6/5m²

BEDROOM FLOOR AREA REQ. = 11.4m² BEDROOM FLOOR AREA PROVIDED = 11.4m²

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OVERALL AREA REQUIRED = 63m ² OVERALL AREA PROVIDED = 63m ²
KDL FLOOR AREA REQ. = 28m ² KDL FLOOR AREA PROVIDED = 28m ²
BEDROOM FLOOR AREA REQ. = 13 + 7.1m ² BEDROOM FLOOR AREA PROVIDED = 13 + 7.5m ²
STORAGE AREA REQUIRED = 5m ² STORAGE AREA PROVIDED = 5.2m ²
PRIVATE AMENTIY REQUIRED = 6m ² PRIVATE AMENTIY PROVIDED = 9m ²

TWO BEDROOM FFL APARTMENT

TWO BEDROOM GFL ACCESSIBLE APARTMENT
OVERALL AREA REQUIRED = 63m ² OVERALL AREA PROVIDED = 70m ²
KDL FLOOR AREA REQ. = 28m ² KDL FLOOR AREA PROVIDED = 28m ²
BEDROOM FLOOR AREA REQ. = 13 + 7.1m ² BEDROOM FLOOR AREA PROVIDED = 13 + 8.2m ²
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DUNNINGSTOWN ROAD, CO. KILKENNY

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PROPOSED ROOF PLAN & SECTION

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RAIN WATER GOODS, FASCIA & SOFFIT TO BE PVC TO LATER SELECTED RAL COLOUR

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SELECTED BRICK FINISH

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Proposed residential development at Dunningstown Road, Kilkenny

Engineering Services Report



REVISION HISTORY

Client	Kilkenny County Council
Project	Proposed residential development at Dunningstown Road, Kilkenny
Title	Engineering Services Report

Date	Detail of Issue	Issue No.	Origin	Checked	Approved
02/06/23	Initial issue	PL1	AC	PB	PB

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1. INTRODUCTION

1.1 Introduction

This report relates to the roads, drainage and water supply services for the proposed development ('the Development') of a site ['the Site'] at Dunningstown Road, Kilkenny, Co. Kilkenny and is submitted in support of an application for Planning Permission for the Development.

The Development comprises 6 no. units together with associated streets, footways, drainage, services, boundary treatment and landscaping.

Drawing No.	Title	Issue
22038-C-DR-101	Roads and Streets – Layout, Longitudinal Section and Details	PL1
22038-C-DR-102	Roads and Streets – Swept Path Analysis	PL1
22038-C-DR-201	Drainage & Water Supply Layout & Longitudinal Sections	PL1
22038-C-DR-202	Drainage – Construction Details	PL1

The following drawings should be read in conjunction with this report:

2. ROADS AND STREETS

The internal road network and long sections through the road centrelines are shown on drawing no. 22038-C-DR-101.

Traffic Calming

The internal access road is relatively short with a pronounced bend and so encourages low speeds. This lowspeed environment is enhanced by using it as 'homezone' area for shared pedestrian and vehicle activity.

Sightlines and stopping sight distances are provided in accordance with the requirements of the Design Manual for Urban Roads and Streets (DMURS) for a 30kph design speed.

Drainage and Construction

Surface water run-off from roads will be collected by gullies and from the gullies will discharge to the surface water sewer network. All roads are designed to ensure that sufficient crossfalls and gradients are available to drain all areas of the road network.

Pavement and capping layer depths for internal roads will be determined in accordance with the 'Guide to site development works for housing areas' as published by the Department for the Environment.

3. WASTEWATER

3.1 Collection Network and Outfall

Separate systems will be provided within the development for the collection and disposal of surface water runoff and wastewater.

The wastewater sewer network for the Development will discharge to an existing wastewater sewer which is located in the Talbots Gate housing estate.

A pre-connection enquiry was made to Irish Water for this development (Ref No. CDS22008299). A copy of the Confirmation of Feasibility is provided in Appendix A.

Each house will be served by a separate private foul drain with individual inspection chamber to Irish Water details and which subsequently will discharge directly to a foul sewer in a public area.

Wastewater sewers are to be constructed in accordance with the Irish Water Code of Practice.

3.2 Design of Network

The Development will generate 2,430 litres of wastewater per day. These calculations were submitted as part of the pre-connection enquiry.

Wastewater sewers are designed to comply with the Irish Water Code of Practice for Wastewater

4. SURFACE WATER DRAINAGE

4.1 Collection Network and Outfall

Separate systems will be provided within the development for the collection and disposal of surface water runoff and wastewater.

Each unit will be served by a surface water drainage system for disposal of roof-water run-off.

Surface water sewers will be constructed in accordance with the '*Guide to site development works for housing areas'* as published by the Department of the Environment.

4.2 Design of Network

The rainfall data used in the design is site-specific and was obtained from Met Eireann. In accordance with recommendations of GDSDS, a climate change factor of 20% was applied to the design of the surface water sewers. This was achieved by applying a 20% factor to the rainfall data obtained from Met Eireann.

The surface water collection networks were designed in accordance with IS EN 752-4: Part 4 '*Drain and sewer systems outside buildings*' as published by the NSAI, to carry the 2 year rainfall event without surcharge. The design was carried out using the industry-standard software package 'Storm and Sanitary Analysis'.

Self-cleansing flows of greater than 0.75m/s are provided generally. This is not always possible at upstream pipe-runs where contributing areas are low. In these cases, minimum gradients of 1:DN are provided, where DN is the internal diameter of the pipe.

Rainfall data used in the design and calculations for the 100-year design storm are provided in Appendix B.

4.3 SUDS Strategy and Compliance with GDSDS

A ground investigation was carried out to determine the potential of the insitu soils to infiltrate run-off. The investigation found insitu soils to be of good permeability and so it is suited for infiltration of run-off from intense rainfall events. Accordingly, surface water run-off will be collected, stored and discharged as described below. (A copy of the GI report is provided in Appendix C).

The surface water network for the development will discharge to an underground storage are (Stormtech Arch Chambers or similar approved). A porous stone base under these chambers will allow first-flush run-off from rainfall events to infiltrate to ground to the maximum extent that sub-soil permeabilities allow.

In accordance with recommendations of GDSDS, a climate change factor of 20% has been applied to the design of the surface water sewers. This was achieved by applying a 20% factor to the rainfall data obtained from Met Eireann as described in Section 4.1.

Refer to Appendix B for design calculations.

4.4 Surface Water Drainage System- Operation and Maintenance

The surface water drainage system operates entirely under force of gravity.

Drains and gullies in public areas should be inspected on an annual basis, with covers lifted to ensure that manholes remain accessible. Where the inspection reveals evidence of silt or other deposits, these should be sucked out and disposed of appropriately. However, given the nature of the development and the traffic flows that it will generate, it is not anticipated that significant maintenance measures will be required for this infrastructure.

Maintenance of electrical infrastructure will not be required.

A Safety File for the infrastructure in public areas will be prepared in accordance with the Safety, Health and Welfare at Work (Construction) Regulations. In terms of the operation and maintenance of the surface water drainage system, the Safety File should set out:

- Drawings and details of the surface water drainage system together with a description of how the system operates and how damage or failures of the system will manifest themselves;
- The maintenance regime to be applied, based on the designer's assessment of maintenance requirements and manufacturer's recommendations;
- Designer's assessment of risks in maintenance or repair that may not be obvious to a competent caretaker of remedial works contractor.

5. WATER SUPPLY

5.1 Water Supply Network

The water supply for the development will be taken from the existing water supply network located on the Dunningstown Road.

The Development will generate a demand for potable water of 2,430 litres of wastewater per day.

The water supply network was designed to comply with the Irish Water Code of Practice for Water Supply.

Hydrants and sluice valves are located throughout the network in accordance with the requirements of the "*Site development works for housing areas"* as published by the Department of the Environment.

Air valves will be constructed at all high points on site, with scour valves to be constructed at low points.

APPENDIX A

Irish Water Confirmation of Feasibility



CONFIRMATION OF FEASIBILITY

Andrew Cantwell

Kilgallen & Partners 3 Danville Business Park Co.Kilkenny R95VH33

27 February 2023

Our Ref: CDS22008299 Pre-Connection Enquiry Dunningstown Road, Kilkenny, Kilkenny

Dear Applicant/Agent,

We have completed the review of the Pre-Connection Enquiry.

Irish Water has reviewed the pre-connection enquiry in relation to a Water & Wastewater connection for a Housing Development of 6 unit(s) at Dunningstown Road, Kilkenny, Kilkenny, (the **Development)**.

Based upon the details provided we can advise the following regarding connecting to the networks;

•	Water Connection	-	Feasible without infrastructure upgrade by Irish Water
		-	
•	Wastewater Connection	-	Feasible without infrastructure upgrade by Irish Water Connection will be via Talbots Court
			existing third party infrastructure. Permission to connect to this network will be required at application stage.
		-	No stormwater will be permitted to enter the wastewater network.

This letter does not constitute an offer, in whole or in part, to provide a connection to any Irish Water infrastructure. Before the Development can be connected to our network(s) you must submit a connection application and be granted and sign a connection agreement with Irish Water.

As the network capacity changes constantly, this review is only valid at the time of its completion. As soon as planning permission has been granted for the

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Development, a completed connection application should be submitted. The connection application is available at <u>www.water.ie/connections/get-connected/</u>

Where can you find more information?

- Section A What is important to know?
- Section B Details of Irish Water's Network(s)

This letter is issued to provide information about the current feasibility of the proposed connection(s) to Irish Water's network(s). This is not a connection offer and capacity in Irish Water's network(s) may only be secured by entering into a connection agreement with Irish Water.

For any further information, visit <u>www.water.ie/connections</u>, email <u>newconnections@water.ie</u> or contact 1800 278 278.

Yours sincerely,

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Yvonne Harris Head of Customer Operations

Section A - What is important to know?

What is important to know?	Why is this important?
Do you need a contract to connect?	• Yes, a contract is required to connect. This letter does not constitute a contract or an offer in whole or in part to provide a connection to Irish Water's network(s).
	 Before the Development can connect to Irish Water's network(s), you must submit a connection application <u>and</u> <u>be granted and sign</u> a connection agreement with Irish Water.
When should I submit a Connection Application?	 A connection application should only be submitted after planning permission has been granted.
Where can I find information on connection charges?	 Irish Water connection charges can be found at: <u>https://www.water.ie/connections/information/charges/</u>
Who will carry out the connection work?	 All works to Irish Water's network(s), including works in the public space, must be carried out by Irish Water*.
	*Where a Developer has been granted specific permission and has been issued a connection offer for Self-Lay in the Public Road/Area, they may complete the relevant connection works
Fire flow Requirements	• The Confirmation of Feasibility does not extend to fire flow requirements for the Development. Fire flow requirements are a matter for the Developer to determine.
	What to do? - Contact the relevant Local Fire Authority
Plan for disposal of storm water	The Confirmation of Feasibility does not extend to the management or disposal of storm water or ground waters.
	 What to do? - Contact the relevant Local Authority to discuss the management or disposal of proposed storm water or ground water discharges.
Where do I find details of Irish Water's network(s)?	 Requests for maps showing Irish Water's network(s) can be submitted to: <u>datarequests@water.ie</u>

What are the design requirements for the connection(s)?	 The design and construction of the Water & Wastewater pipes and related infrastructure to be installed in this Development shall comply with <i>the Irish Water</i> <i>Connections and Developer Services Standard Details</i> <i>and Codes of Practice,</i> available at <u>www.water.ie/connections</u>
Trade Effluent Licensing	 Any person discharging trade effluent** to a sewer, must have a Trade Effluent Licence issued pursuant to section 16 of the Local Government (Water Pollution) Act, 1977 (as amended).
	 More information and an application form for a Trade Effluent License can be found at the following link: <u>https://www.water.ie/business/trade-effluent/about/</u> **trade effluent is defined in the Local Government (Water Pollution) Act, 1977 (as amended)

Section B – Details of Irish Water's Network(s)

The map included below outlines the current Irish Water infrastructure adjacent the Development: To access Irish Water Maps email <u>datarequests@water.ie</u>



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Note: The information provided on the included maps as to the position of Irish Water's underground network(s) is provided as a general guide only. The information is based on the best available information provided by each Local Authority in Ireland to Irish Water.

Whilst every care has been taken in respect of the information on Irish Water's network(s), Irish Water assumes no responsibility for and gives no guarantees, undertakings or warranties concerning the accuracy, completeness or up to date nature of the information provided, nor does it accept any liability whatsoever arising from or out of any errors or omissions. This information should not be solely relied upon in the event of excavations or any other works being carried out in the vicinity of Irish Water's underground network(s). The onus is on the parties carrying out excavations or any other works to ensure the exact location of Irish Water's underground network(s) is identified prior to excavations or any other works being carried out. Service connection pipes are not generally shown but their presence should be anticipated.
Proposed residential development at Dunningstown Road, Kilkenny

APPENDIX B

Proposed residential development at Dunningstown Road, Kilkenny

Rainfall data

Return							Event [Duration						
Period	5	10	15	30	60	120	180	240	360	540	720	1080	1440	2880
1	3.90	5.50	6.50	8.20	10.40	13.20	15.10	16.70	19.20	22.10	24.30	28.00	30.90	37.50
2	4.60	6.40	7.60	9.50	11.90	15.00	17.20	18.90	21.60	24.70	27.10	31.00	34.10	41.00
5	6.90	9.60	11.30	13.90	17.00	20.90	23.60	25.70	29.10	32.80	35.70	40.30	43.90	51.60
30	12.20	16.90	19.90	23.70	28.30	33.70	37.30	40.10	44.50	49.30	53.00	58.70	63.10	71.60
100	17.30	24.10	28.40	33.20	38.70	45.20	49.60	52.90	57.90	63.40	67.60	74.10	79.00	87.60

Total Rainfall (mm) from Met Eireann records

Return							Event D	Ouration						
Period	5	10	15	30	60	120	180	240	360	540	720	1080	1440	2880
1	46.80	33.00	26.00	16.40	10.40	6.60	5.03	4.18	3.20	2.46	2.03	1.56	1.29	0.78
2	55.20	38.40	30.40	19.00	11.90	7.50	5.73	4.73	3.60	2.74	2.26	1.72	1.42	0.85
5	82.80	57.60	45.20	27.80	17.00	10.45	7.87	6.43	4.85	3.64	2.98	2.24	1.83	1.08
30	146.40	101.40	79.60	47.40	28.30	16.85	12.43	10.03	7.42	5.48	4.42	3.26	2.63	1.49
100	207.60	144.60	113.60	66.40	38.70	22.60	16.53	13.23	9.65	7.04	5.63	4.12	3.29	1.83

Equivalent Rainfall Intensity (mm/hr)

Return							Event [Duration						
Period	5	10	15	30	60	120	180	240	360	540	720	1080	1440	2880
1	56.16	39.60	31.20	19.68	12.48	7.92	6.04	5.01	3.84	2.95	2.43	1.87	1.55	0.94
2	66.24	46.08	36.48	22.80	14.28	9.00	6.88	5.67	4.32	3.29	2.71	2.07	1.71	1.03
5	99.36	69.12	54.24	33.36	20.40	12.54	9.44	7.71	5.82	4.37	3.57	2.69	2.20	1.29
30	175.68	121.68	95.52	56.88	33.96	20.22	14.92	12.03	8.90	6.57	5.30	3.91	3.16	1.79
100	249.12	173.52	136.32	79.68	46.44	27.12	19.84	15.87	11.58	8.45	6.76	4.94	3.95	2.19

Rainfall Intensity (mm/hr) with 20% Climate Change Factor

Proposed residential development at Dunningstown Road, Kilkenny

Design calculations for 100 year rainfall event

Project Description

File Name 22038 Dunningstown Road.SPF

Project Options

Flow Units	LPS
Elevation Type	Elevation
Hydrology Method	Modified Rational
Time of Concentration (TOC) Method	User-Defined
Link Routing Method	Hydrodynamic
Enable Overflow Ponding at Nodes	YES
Skip Steady State Analysis Time Periods	YES

Rainfall Details

Return Period	100	years
Event Duration	15	minutes

Run-off Coefficients

Roofs, Paved Areas and Grassed Verges	1
Permable Pavement	0.5
Other Grassed Areas	0

Ref.	Area	Run-off Coefficient	Rainfall During Event	Run-off volume
	(sq.m)		(mm)	(m³)
Sub-01	100	1.0	34.08	3.4
Sub-02	100	1.0	34.08	3.41
Sub-03	200	1.0	34.08	6.82
Sub-04	400	1.0	34.08	13.63
			TOTAL RUN-OFF	27.3

Upstream manhole	Downstream manhole	ownstream	Invert level		Gradient	Diamotor	Peak Elow	Capacity		Peak Flow	Total Time	
		Lengui	Inlet	Outlet	Gradient	Diameter	Feak Flow	Capacity	Peak Flow / Capacity	Velocity	Surcharged	Status
		(m)	(m)	(m)	(%)	(mm)	(lps)	(lps)		(m/sec)	(min)	
S1	S2	19.25	61.01	60.91	0.50	225	6.4	31.7	0.20	0.26	0.00	Calculated
S2	S3	24.10	60.91	60.79	0.50	300	40.6	68.2	0.59	0.85	15.00	SURCHARGED
S3	Infiltration	2.60	60.79	60.78	0.35	300	47.6	56.9	0.84	1.60	198.00	SURCHARGED

Storage Area 1

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Invert level of Sub-base Layer	60.28	m			
Invert level of Storage Chamber	60.78	m			
Max. Water Level during Critical Storm	61.22	m			
Storage Provided at Max. Water level	49.3	m3			

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Α	Peak Outflow (lps)	47.63
в	Max Water Level (m)	61.22
с	Storage Provided	58.10
D	Total exfiltration volume (1000-m ³)	0.000
Е	Total discharge to outfall (m3)	42.9
F	Total amount discharged during event (m3) [= D + E]	42.9
G	Total run-off during event (m3)	27.3
н	Newtork Storage (m3) [= G - (F + C)]	-73.7
	Total Flooded Volume (ha-mm)	0

Proposed residential development at Dunningstown Road, Kilkenny

APPENDIX C

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1.0 Preamble

On the instructions of Kilgallen & Partners Consulting Engineers, a site investigation was carried out by Ground Investigations Ireland Ltd., in October 2022 at the site of the proposed residential development at Dunningstown Road, Kilkenny City.

2.0 Overview

2.1. Background

It is proposed to construct a new residential development comprising houses at the proposed site. At the time of the site investigation the site was occupied by two building which had been in use as weather monitoring stations. The proposed construction is envisaged to consist of conventional foundations and pavement make up with some local excavations for services and plant.

2.2. Purpose and Scope

The purpose of the site investigation was to investigate subsurface conditions utilising a variety of investigative methods in accordance with the project specification. The scope of the work undertaken for this project included the following:

- Visit project site to observe existing conditions
- Carry out 7 No. Trial Pits to a maximum depth of 2.5m BGL
- Carry out 1 No. Soakaway to determine a soil infiltration value to BRE digest 365
- Carry out 7 No. Dynamic Probes to determine strength/density characteristics
- Carry out a GPR survey of the site
- Geotechnical Laboratory testing
- Report with recommendations

3.0 Subsurface Exploration

3.1. General

During the ground investigation a programme of intrusive investigation specified by the Consulting Engineer was undertaken to determine the sub surface conditions at the proposed site. Regular sampling and insitu testing was undertaken in the exploratory holes to facilitate the geotechnical descriptions and to enable laboratory testing to be carried out on the soil samples recovered during excavation and drilling. The procedures used in this site investigation are in accordance with Eurocode 7 Part 2: Ground Investigation and testing (ISEN 1997 – 2:2007) and B.S. 5930:2015.

3.2. Trial Pits

The trial pits were excavated using a 5T tracked excavator at the locations shown in Figure 1 in Appendix 1. The locations were checked using a CAT scan to minimise the potential for encountering services during the excavation. The trial pits were sampled, logged and photographed by a Geotechnical Engineer/Engineering Geologist prior to backfilling with arisings. Notes were made of any services, inclusions, pit stability, groundwater encountered and the characteristics of the strata encountered and are presented on the trial pit logs which are provided in Appendix 2 of this Report.

3.3. Soakaway Testing

The soakaway testing was carried out in selected trial pits at the locations shown in the exploratory hole location plan in Appendix 1. These pits were carefully excavated and filled with water to assess the infiltration characteristics of the proposed site. The pits were allowed to drain and the drop in water level was recorded over time as required by BRE Digest 365. The pits were logged prior to completing the soakaway test and were backfilled with arising's upon completion. The soakaway test results are provided in Appendix 3 of this Report.

3.4. Dynamic Probing

The dynamic probe tests (DPH) were carried out at the locations shown in the location plan in Appendix 1 in accordance with B.S. 1377: Part 9 1990. The test consists of mechanically driving a cone with a 50kg weight in 100mm intervals and monitoring the number of blows required. An equivalent Standard Penetration Test (SPT) 'N' value may be calculated by dividing the total number of blows over a 300mm drive length by 1.5. The dynamic probe logs are provided in Appendix 4 of this Report.

3.5. Ground Penetrating Radar (GPR) Survey

A GPR survey was completed across the site to identify buried services and other analogies. The survey was limited by the fact that the site was heavy overgrown at the time of the survey. The results of the survey are presented in Appendix 5 of this Report.

3.6. Surveying

The exploratory hole locations have been recorded using a KQ GEO Technologies KQ-M8 System which records the coordinates and elevation of the locations to ITM or Irish National Grid as required by the project specification. The coordinates and elevations are provided on the exploratory hole logs in the appendices of this Report.

3.7. Laboratory Testing

Samples were selected from the exploratory holes for a range of geotechnical and environmental testing to assist in the classification of soils and to provide information for the proposed design.

Environmental & Chemical testing as required by the specification, including the pH and sulphate testing was carried out by Element Materials Technology Laboratory in the UK.

Geotechnical testing consisting of moisture content, Atterberg limits and Particle Size Distribution (PSD) tests were carried out in Professional Soil Laboratory (PSL) in the UK.

The results of the laboratory testing are included in Appendix 6 of this Report.

4.0 Ground Conditions

4.1. General

The ground conditions encountered during the investigation are summarised below with reference to insitu and laboratory test results. The full details of the strata encountered during the ground investigation are provided in the exploratory hole logs included in the appendices of this report.

The sequence of strata encountered were relatively consistent across the site and generally comprised;

- Topsoil/Surfacing
- Made Ground
- Granular Deposits

TOPSOIL: Topsoil was encountered in the majority of the exploratory holes and was present to a maximum depth of 0.30m BGL.

SURFACING: Tarmacadam was encountered at TP-01 and TP-02 to a maximum depth of 0.10m BGL.

MADE GROUND: Made Ground deposits were encountered beneath the Topsoil/Surfacing and were present to a depth of between 0.30m and 1.00m BGL. These deposits were described generally as brown/grey slightly clayey sandy fine to coarse subrounded to rounded Gravel with occasional fragments of plastic and metal.

GRANULAR DEPOSITS: Granular deposits were encountered within/below/at the base of the cohesive deposits and were typically described as *grey/brown slightly clayey sandy fine to coarse subrounded to rounded GRAVEL with many subrounded to rounded cobbles and boulders.* The secondary sand/gravel and silt/clay constituents varied across the site and with depth while occasional or frequent cobble and boulder content also present where noted on the exploratory hole logs.

Based on the SPT N values the deposits are typically dense. The gravels encountered at TP-04 were found to be loose to a depth of 1.50m BGL after which they became dense. It should be noted that many of the trial pits where granular deposits were encountered, experienced instability. This was described either as side wall spalling or as side wall collapse in the remarks section at the base of the trial pit logs.

4.2. Groundwater

No groundwater was noted during the investigation however it should be noted that these exploratory holes did not remain open for sufficiently long periods of time to establish the hydrogeological regime and groundwater levels would be expected to vary with the time of year, rainfall, nearby construction and other factors.

4.3. Laboratory Testing

4.3.1. Geotechnical Laboratory Testing

The geotechnical laboratory results were not available at the time of writing this report.

4.3.2. Chemical Laboratory Testing

The chemical laboratory results were not available at the time of writing this report.

The results from the completed laboratory testing will be included in Appendix 7 of this report.

5.0 Recommendations & Conclusions

5.1. General

The recommendations given and opinions expressed in this report are based on the findings as detailed in the exploratory hole records. Where an opinion is expressed on the material between exploratory hole locations, this is for guidance only and no liability can be accepted for its accuracy. No responsibility can be accepted for conditions which have not been revealed by the exploratory holes. Limited information has been provided at the ground investigation stage and any designs based on the recommendations or conclusions should be completed in accordance with the current design codes, taking into account the variation and the specific details contained within the exploratory hole logs.

5.2. Foundations

An allowable bearing capacity of 125 kN/m² is recommended for conventional strip or pad foundations on the dense of medium dense granular deposits at a depth of 1.0m BGL.

The possibility for variation in the depth of the made ground in the vicinity of these foundations should be considered and foundation inspections should be carried out. Any soft spots encountered at the proposed foundation depths should be excavated and replaced with lean mix concrete. Where the granular deposits are deeper, lean mix trench fill is recommended to achieve the recommended allowable bearing capacity.

A ground bearing floor slab is recommended to be based on the medium dense granular deposits with an appropriate depth of compacted hardcore specified by the consulting engineer and in accordance with the limits and guidelines in SR21:2014 +A1:2016 and/or NRA SRW CL808 Type E granular stone fill. Made Ground should be removed below any proposed floor slabs. Where the depth of Made Ground/Soft deposits exceeds 0.9m then suspended floor slabs should be considered.

5.3. Excavations

Short term temporary excavations in the cohesive deposits will remain stable for a limited time only and will require to be appropriately battered or the sides supported if the excavation is below 1.25m BGL or is required to permit man entry.

Any excavations which penetrate the granular deposits will require to be appropriately battered or the sides supported.

The stability noted on the trial pit logs should be consulted when determining the most appropriate construction methods for excavations.

5.4. Soakaway Design

An infiltration rate of f=1.31 x 10⁻⁵ m/s was calculated for the soakaway location SA-01.

The recommendations provided in this report should be verified in the design of the proposed buildings, using the full details of the loading conditions and taking into consideration the allowable tolerable

settlements/movements that the building can accommodate. The founding strata should be inspected and verified by a suitably qualified engineer prior to construction of the building foundations.

APPENDIX 1 - Figures





APPENDIX 2 – Trial Pit Records



	Grou	nd Inv	vestigations Ire www.gii.ie	Site Trial Pit Dunningstown Road SA01				
Machine : 5	T Tracked Excavator rial Pit	Dimensi 1.80m x	ons 0.60m x 1.50m (L x W x D)	Ground	Level (mOD)	Client Kilgallen & Partners		Job Number 12128-08-22
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Depth (m)	Sample / Tests	Water Depth (m)	Field Records	Level (mOD)	Depth (m) (Thickness)	D	escription	Legend S
0.50	В				(0,10) 0.10 - (0.30) - 0.40	TOPSOIL MADE GROUND: Reddist fine to coarse subrounded occasional fragments of p Dense grey/brown sandy t rounded GRAVEL with sor cobbles	n brown/grey slightly clayey s to rounded Gravel with lastic and metal ine to coarse subrounded to ne subrounded to rounded	sandy
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Machine : 5	T Tracked Excavator	Dimens	ions	Ground	Level (mOD)	Client		Job
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Depth (m)	Sample / Tests	Water Depth (m)	Field Records	Level (mOD)	Depth (m) (Thickness)	D	escription	Legend
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		Location		Dates 04	/10/2022	Engineer		Sheet 1/1
Depth (ṁ)	Sample / Tests	Water Depth (m)	Field Records	Level Depth (mOD) (m) (Thickness)		Description		Legend Safe
0.50	В				(0.10) 0.10 (0.20) 0.30 (0.60)	TARMACADAM FILL: Grey sandy coarse a MADE GROUND: Reddish Clay with some fragments crushed rock fill	ngular Gravel (Crushed Roc brown slightly sandy gravel of red brick, concrete and	k Fill)
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Ground Investigations Ireland Ltd www.gii.ie	Site Trial Pit Dunningstown Road TP03		
Machine : 5T Tracked Excavator Dimensions Ground Level (mOD) Client Method : Trial Pit 3.40m x 1.30m x 2.50m (L x W x D) Ground Level (mOD) Client	Job Number 12128-08-22		
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Machine: 5 Method : T	T Tracked Excavator rial Pit	Dimensi 3.40m >	ions x 1.30m x 2.20m (L x W x D)	Ground	Level (mOD)	Client Kilgallen & Partners		Job Number 12128-08-22
		Location	n	Dates	4/10/2022	Engineer		Sheet 1/1
Depth (m)	Sample / Tests	Water Depth (m)	Field Records	Level (mOD)	Depth (m) (Thickness)	D	escription	Legend S
0.50	В				(0.20) 0.20 (0.30) 0.50	TOPSOIL Loose reddish brown/grey coarse SAND with some s (Possible Made Ground) Loose grey/brown sandy f rounded GRAVEL with sor cobbles	slightly clayey gravelly fine ubrounded to rounded cobb ine to coarse subrounded to ne subrounded to rounded	to ples
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Depth (m)	Sample / Tests	Water Depth (m)	Field Records	Level (mOD)	Depth (m) (Thickness)	D	escription	Legend S
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		Locatio	n	Dates	4/10/2022	Engineer		Sheet 1/1	
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APPENDIX 3 – Soakaway Records



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Soakaway Test to BRE Digest 365 Trial Pit Dimensions: 1.80m x 0.60m 1.50m (L x W x D)

Date	Time	Water level (m bgl)
04/10/2022	0	-0.500
04/10/2022	1	-0.510
04/10/2022	5	-0.590
04/10/2022	15	-0.740
04/10/2022	30	-0.800
04/10/2022	80	-0.970
04/10/2022	125	-1.090
04/10/2022	194	-1.260

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APPENDIX 4 – Dynamic Probe Records



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APPENDIX 6 – Laboratory Testing



Proposed residential development at Dunningstown Road, Kilkenny





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Carriageway/Homezone

Kerb - 100mm high

Kerb - 6mm high

Footway

Site Boundary

centreline

Pavement 40mm thick, coloured chip HRA surf 70/100 with in accordance with IS EN 13108; on —100mm thick Asphalt Concrete Base AC32 dense base 70/100 in accordance with IS EN 13108; on 150mm thick layer of sub-base material in accordance with Clause 2.19 of the Specification

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LEGEND

Surface water drain / sewer and chamber Gully and discharge pipe House drain - surface water -----Wastewater sewer and chamber House drain - wastewater with ------600mm dia. inspection chamber 100mm OD HDPE watermain Sluice valve in accordance with STD-W-15 On line hydrant in accordance with STD-W-19 On line air valve in accordance with STD-W-22 Boundary box in accordance 8 with STD-W-03 Scour Chamber in accordance with STD-W-30B Bulk Meter in accordance with STD-W-26A

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- 2. All surface water drains and sewers to be constructed in accordance with Detail D1.
- Discharge pipes from gullies to drains and sewers shall be 150mm dia. Saddle connection for discharge pipes in accordance with Detail D3.
- Chambers to be 1200mm dia. PCC in accordance with the 'Code of Practice for Chamber and Gully Top Installations' published by Laois County Council.
- 5. Road gullies shall be in accordance with TII Detail CC-SCD-00510 and CC-SCD-00512.
- Separators to be installed in accordance with Detail D5 and manufacturer's recommendations.
- Each house to be served by a separate drain of min.diameter 100mm dia. and laid to a minimum grade of 1 in 100.

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- 1. Construction of wastewater infrastructure to comply with the Irish Water Code of Practice for Wastewater Infrastructure.
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- 3. Wastewater drains and sewers to be constructed in accordance with STD-WW-07.
- 4. The minimum separation between wastewater pipes and other services shall not be less than either that shown in STD-WW-05 or that shown on M&E drawings.
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- 8. Chambers on wastewater drains and sewers in public areas shall be in accordance with STD-WW-10.
- Private-side inspection chambers shall be in accordance with STD-WW-02, STD-WW-03 and STD-WW-13 and shall have a minimum depth to invert of 0.5m and a maximum depth to invert of 1.2m.
- 10. Maximum depth to invert for Access Junctions to be 0.6m.

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Layout Report

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Client:	Kilkenny County Council
Planning Reference No.:	Part 8 of the Planning and Development Regulations
Site Type:	Urban
Report Author:	Mary Henry
Report Status:	Final
Date of Report:	5 th October 2022

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1. Introduction

This report describes an Archaeological Impact Assessment (AIA) of a proposed small residential housing development at The Old Weather Station, Dunningstown Road, Kilkenny. The report was commissioned by Kilkenny County Council who are, in accordance with Part 8 of the Planning and Development Regulations 2001 to 2021, progressing the design and delivery of the six-unit residential housing development.

The AIA report sets out the historical and archaeological background of the study area as well as the results from a site inspection. The assessment outlines the potential archaeological and/or cultural remains/features on the site and within its environs and presents the impacts, if any, of the development on the archaeology and/or cultural heritage.

2. Method of Study

This AIA comprised a walkover survey of the site and its environs as well as a desk-based study. No on-site intrusive archaeological investigations were undertaken. The walkover inspection entailed an examination of the site for known and potential archaeological sites, features and anomalies along the route. This was to gain an overall understanding of the terrain and the archaeological environment. A photographic survey and written descriptions were undertaken of all upstanding archaeological/architectural structures/features of note.

The desk study entailed an examination of documentary, cartographic and aerial photographic sources. Sources examined included the following:

- Documentary Sources, both Primary and Secondary.
- Ordnance Survey series of published maps: 1840, 1901-05 and 1945-46.
- Review of Aerial Photographs.
- Sites and Monuments Record (SMR) for County Kilkenny.
- Record of Monuments and Places (RMP) for County Kilkenny.
- Consultation of the Archaeological Survey Database, Archaeological Survey of Ireland, National Monuments Service, Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage.
- Urban Archaeological Survey of County Kilkenny. OPW.
- Kilkenny City and County Development Plan, 2021-2027.
- Kilkenny City Record of Protected Structures (RPS).
- National Inventory of Architectural Heritage (NIAH) for County Kilkenny.
- Archaeological Excavations Bulletin Database.

3. Existing Environment

3.1 Site Location

The proposed development is sited at the The Old Weather Station, Dunningstown Road, Kilkenny. Dunningstown Road is predominantly a residential road on the northwest outskirts of Kilkenny City, mainly consisting single house plots. A continuation of Grange Road, which commences at the Lord Edward St./Loreto View/Butt's Green junction, this road extends parallel to the Kilkenny City/Freshford regional road (R693), leading to the county's northwest hinterland.

The site fronts the northeast side of Dunningstown Road. A housing estate – the Grange and Talbot's Court – is located to east and southeast, whilst a large tillage field is to the west, on the opposite side of Dunningstown Road. To the northwest/north is a green field; and a private dwelling house and garden to the south (*Fig.1*).



Figure 1. Site Location Highlighted in Red.

Archaeological Impact Assessment of The Old Weather Station, Dunningstown Road, Killkenny.

3.2 Development Proposal

Kilkenny Council propose to build on the site a small residential development comprising six age-friendly residential apartment units. It will front the public road, with the entrance to the south and a driveway accessing the rear. Car-parking will be sited to the rear, whilst there will be a public open space in the northeast part of the site, covering an area of $230m^2$ (*Figs.2&3*).



Figure 2. Proposed Layout of Site.



Figure 3. Proposed Development Site Plan.



Figure 4. Housing Development Layout.

3.3 Site Inspection

The site was inspected in late September 2022, with weather conditions fair. Site access is facilitated via a narrow third class road fronting its east side. Although within a rural setting, the area is built-up with one-off housing and a housing estate to the east and southeast. A proposal is also pending to build a new CBS Secondary School and associated road on the opposite side of the public road to the site.

This site is located on a slight hillock, 66m above sea level and *circa* 1m/1.5m above the road level, which rises slightly upwards from south to north (*Pl.1*). A small site, measuring *circa* 43m x 29m, it is bounded by the public road on its west side (*Pl.1*) and a pasture field to the north (*Pl.2*). A housing estate is to its northeast (*Pl.3*); and a small paddock/garden to its southeast, both of which are lower than the site. To the south is a private house and garden. All site boundaries are defined by a metal fence, in excess of 2m high, with a gated entrance at the north end of its west side.

The interior of the site comprises two vacant single storey buildings in the northern part of the site (*Pls.5-6*), with a tarred surface between them and the northern boundary. Inside the gate, in the northwest corner, is dense overgrowth including brambles and small trees (*Pl.7*). The remainder of the site consists rough, uneven ground under a cover of high thin grass (*Pls.8-9*). Defunct weather boxes on stilts still survive in the southern half of the site (*Pls.8-9*).



Pl. 1. View of Site from Public Road.



Pl.2. Pasture Field to the North.



Pl.3. Housing Estate to the East.



Pl.4. Looking West: Location of Ring-ditch (KK019-007).



Pl.5. Northeast Part of Site.



Pl.6. Northwest Part of Site.



Pl.7. Overgrown Northwest Part of Site.



Pl.8. South Part of the Site.



Pl. 9. Looking North at Site.

4. History and Archaeology of the Site and Environs

4.1 Historical Background

The site is located in the townland of Coolgrange, the parish of St. Canice and within the barony of Crannagh. Coolgrange derives its name from the Irish *An Ghráinseach Fhur*. In 1655 it was known as Could Grange (Churchland) and by 1839 the townland was referred to in Irish as *Cúil Gráinsighe* which translates as "corner or angle of the grange"¹. Covering an area of 159 acres, it is a long narrow townland, widening at its northern end. The site occupies a small area towards its southern end. The townland boundary between, Coolgrange and Lousybush, extends along Dunningstown Road.

Coolgrange townland is located within St. Canice's parish, a large parish, incorporating substantial sections of Kilkenny city. The present day St. Canice's covers the entire civil parish of St. Maul's as well as the civil parish of St. Canice's. Its area, city and rural combined, is 6,957 statute acres. Its rural district covers a small area and had two ecclesia or parish churches, each with its own separate parochial district within the present civil parish of St. Canice's². These were the churches of Ballyfinnan or Newtown and Thornback. Thornback, 2 miles north of the city, was an independent parish, whilst the Cathedral parish and Ballyfinnan were vested in the Vicars Choral of St. Canice's³. The parochial church of Thornback (KK014-056), situated in the townland of Troyswood, on a high bank over the river Nore, was referenced as far back as the fourteenth century. The church was in a ruinous state, whilst a part of a castle (KK014-056003) joined (*sic*) the church ruins⁴. It was noted in the 1839 Ordnance Survey Letters (OSL) that Thornback was also known as Druimdelig and a burial place of note⁵. It lost its status, becoming little more than a chapel and its parish and was merged into St. Canice's parish⁶.

¹ www.logainm.ie

² Rev. W. Carrigan. History and Antiquities of the Diocese of Ossory. 1905.

³ Ibid.

⁴ Rev. M. O'Flanagan (Ed.). Letters Containing Information Relative to the Antiquities of the County of Kilkenny Collected during the Progress of the Ordnance Survey in 1839. 1930.

⁵ Ibid.

⁶ Rev. W. Carrigan. History and Antiquities of the Diocese of Ossory. 1905.

There are no references to the townland of Coolgrange in the OSL of 1839 and no mention by Rev. Carrgian to the townland of any antiquities within, when compiling the History and Antiquities of the Diocese of Ossory in the early twentieth century.

The modern history of the site relates to Met Éireann establishing a weather station in May 1957 at a green field location, just off the Dunningstown Road. This weather station was closed in early 2008 and has remained vacant ever since.

4.2 Archaeological Background

There are seven recorded archaeological monuments recorded in the Record of Monuments and Places (RMP) for County Kilkenny within 1 km of the development site. The nearest monument is a ring-ditch (KK019-007), on the opposing side of Dunningstown Road and *circa* 40m to the northwest (*Fig.5*); whilst the furthest monument within the 1km, is a burial (KK019-139), located *circa* 900m east northeast.



Figure 5. OSI Map after (ASI). Showing Site Highlighted in Black and Nearest Monument (KK019-007).

RMP No.	Townland	ITM Ref.	Classification
KK019-007	Lousybush	649318/657446	Ring-ditch
KK019-008	Talbotsinch	649807/657708	Enclosure
KK019-124	Raheennagun	648844/657790	Enclosure
KK019-006	Raheennagun	648688/657755	Ringfort
KK019-009	Talbotsinch	650189/657313	Enclosure
KK019-139	Friarsinch/Dunmore	650266/657727	Burial
KK019-112	Coolgrange	649253/657995	Burial

The recorded monuments are set out as follows:

The following descriptions of the above recorded monuments within 1km of the development site are taken from the ASI accessed from the National Monuments Service website (<u>www.archaeology.ie</u>)

KK019-007

Description: A ring-ditch identified by aerial photography in 1967. Located in a large tillage field, it comprises a small circular enclosure with a diameter of 10-15m. The site is visible as the cropmark of a fosse on the aerial photograph (CUCAP ASW054).

Compiled by M. Tunney. Uploaded in August 2013.

This site is presently subject to archaeological investigations as part of advance works for the construction of the new CBS Secondary School (see Section 4.3).

KK019-008

Description: On the edge of a ridge overlooking the River Nore which flows *circa* 100m to the east. The monument comprises a large D-shaped enclosure measuring *circa* 93m (NW/SE) x 46m (NE/SW) with the straight northeast edge (*circa* 93m long) extending parallel to the edge of the ridge. A large shed has been built across the north portion of the monument and a concrete yard and car-park has been constructed on top of the south portion of the enclosure. Compiled by J. Farrelly. Uploaded in July 2020.

KK019-124

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Description: Denoted as a spring on the First Edition (1839-40) OS 6-inch map immediately south southwest of the enclosure. Located in a tillage field, it was identified on an aerial photography (GB90.CH.03, July 1960) shows a cropmark of a curvilinear enclosure (diameter of *circa* 35m). Defined by a fosse and with an entrance facing southeast. There is a ringfort (KK019-006) *circa* 110m to the west.

Compiled Dr. G. Barrett and J. Farrelly. Uploaded in October 2020.

KK019-006

Description: Denoted on the First Edition (1839-40) OS 6-inch map and the 1945-46 revision as a circular enclosure with an internal diameter of *circa* 42m and an external fosse, 7-10m wide. A townland boundary extends along the edge of the northeast sector and a field boundary extends northeast/southwest along the northwest edge of the monument. It is described by O'Kelly in 1969 as a 'partly-demolished rath'. The interior is covered with grass and some trees and scrub.

Compiled by J. Farrelly. Uploaded in September 2020.

KK019-009

Description: Located near the edge of ridge overlooking the River Nore which flows *circa* 200m to the east, and its flood plain. A large roughly circular enclosure with a diameter of *circa* 80m, it was identified as a cropmark of a wide deep fosse on aerial photographs. There is a clear entrance in the east quadrant. A housing estate was subsequently built over this monument.

Compiled by J. Farrelly. Uploaded in September 2020.

KK019-139

Description: Burials were uncovered during the laying of underground services beneath the existing road surface of Bleach Road. The river Nore is *circa* 150m southwest of the burials at its nearest point. Indications suggested that the human bone assemblage included several individuals. The road forms the boundary between two townlands and it is probable that the burials extend eastward into Dumore townland and westward into Friarsinch townland. Compiled by J. Farrelly. Uploaded in December 2019.

KK019-012

Description: A burial was found in 1988 during quarrying gravel. Situated on a low east-west ridge, the burial comprised an incomplete upper half of the skeleton of an adult female in an unlined grave aligned east/west.

Compiled by M. Tunney. Uploaded in August 2013.
4.3 Previous Archaeological Works in the Vicinity

The archaeological excavations (www.excavations.ie) database – 1978 to 2022 - was consulted and the following summary of the excavations undertaken within the environs of the proposed development site are set out as follows:

Lousybush Townland Entry No. 2022:091

Excavation Licence No. 22E0154

Archaeological testing of the proposed development site at CBS Secondary School, Lousybush, County Kilkenny, entailed the excavation of 58 linear test trenches totalling 3,710 linear metres within a 7.5 hectare area. The licensed use of a metal-detector was incorporated into the test trenching investigations to assist in artefact retrieval (Detection Device Licence Ref. 22R0067). However, no potential archaeological artefacts were recovered.

Potential archaeological features were uncovered within eight of the 58 test trenches investigated within the two fields. In total over 13 potential archaeological features were identified, including two potential barrows, four pits including a potential bowl furnace and burnt spread and two associated pits. These features have been categorised into three distinct archaeological sites and in summary comprise the following:

Site 01, located at the north-western corner of Field 1, within the general area of RMP-K019-007, consisted a potential barrow approximately 10m in diameter, a smaller barrow-type feature between 5-6m in diameter, a possible cremation pit, bowl furnace and two potential refuse pits. Several linear and curvilinear features and charcoal stains on the surface of the subsoil were also revealed which may indicate the presence of further archaeological activity.

Site 02, located within a large natural hollow towards the centre of Field 2, consisted an extensive fulacht fiadh defined by one large mound of heat-shattered stone 1.5-2m below the existing surface level and overlying an extensive deposit of colluvium or hill wash. A possible surface deposit containing a possible flint core and two potential pieces of flint debitage and a possible linear feature were uncovered at a similar depth in an adjacent test trench.

Site 03, located towards the south-eastern corner of Field 2 consisted a curvilinear spread of heat-shattered stone measuring 3.5m in width with two small possible pits at its north-west margins. Paudie Dunne, John Cronin & Associates, 3A Westpoint Trade Centre, Ballincollig, Co. Cork.

Loughmacask Townland Entry No. 2010:427 Excavation Licence No. 10E0226

Testing was undertaken in order to study the impact on the potential archaeological resource within the footprint of a proposed residential development at Loughmacask, c. 1.5km northwest of the centre of Kilkenny city. It followed an EIA report, and subsequent geophysical survey carried out by Target Geophysics. Loughmacask can be translated as the 'Lake of MacCask'. Further testing was carried out adjacent to this under licence 10E0225.

The overall testing programme involved the excavation of 39 trenches across the proposed development area. A total of 22 of these trenches were excavated specifically to investigate potential archaeological features identified by the geophysical survey. Testing did not reveal any archaeological features or deposits. However, it was thought possible that previously unrecorded subsurface archaeological remains might be present within the proposed development area. As a result, it was recommended that all ground disturbance works associated with the proposed development be monitored.

Due to the presence of a potato crop at the location of the proposed temporary well and associated pipeline, it was not possible to excavate test-trenches at this location. The well and pipeline are located c. 60m north-west of the remains of ringfort KK019–006. Although the proposed infrastructure will not directly impact on the site, it was thought possible that ground disturbance associated with the construction of the well may impact on associated remains located beneath the existing ground level. It was therefore recommended that testing be carried out as originally proposed at the site of the temporary well and pipeline. Dave Bayley, IAC, Bray, Co. Wicklow.

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Granges Rd./Dean St./Thomas St., Kilkenny City

Entry No. 2005:815

Excavation Licence No. 05E0463

Monitoring was requested as a planning condition on the construction of a storm-drain pipeline trench from Granges Road to an outfall at the Bregagh River just beyond Butts Roundabout, Kilkenny city. Part of the proposed route extended through the zone of archaeological potential for the historic town and across the suggested western line of the monastic enclosure of St Canice's Church. Nothing of archaeological interest was noted. E. Devine, Kilkenny Archaeology Threecastles, Co. Kilkenny.

Coolgrange Townland

Excavation Licence No. E1098

In January 1988 human remains were discovered during quarrying operations at Talbot's Inch, Co. Kilkenny. The site was in the townland of Coolgrange in east County Kilkenny, approximately 2km north-west of Kilkenny City.³⁸ It consists a low gravel ridge, extending approximately north/south and rising at its maximum to approximately 9m above the level of the surrounding field. The site lay at an altitude of 70–80m above sea level. Adjacent sites marked on the SMR include a ringfort in Raheennagun townland and two enclosures in Lousybush and Talbotsinch townlands respectively. The quarry had been worked sporadically for approximately 100 years but no previous discoveries of human remains had been noted. At the time of Ó Floinn's investigation most of the east side of the ridge had been removed. On arrival, the bones lay as they had been discovered, on the gravel scree at the base of the quarry, but the original location of the burial must have been close to the crest of the ridge.

There was no indication of any stone lining in the grave, nor was there any trace of a grave-pit in the area from which the burial was thought to have come. The burial consisted an inhumation; and no artefacts were found in the vicinity of the bones, which comprised a cranium, mandible, vertebrae and arm bones of an adult female. As no further bones came to light, it would appear the remains found represented the western extremity of a burial aligned east/west; and therefore that the head was placed to the west. In the absence of associated finds or other dating evidence, this burial must be regarded as undated. R. Ó'Floinn. NMI, Kildare St., Dublin.

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4.4 Architectural Heritage

There are no Protected Structures recorded in the Kilkenny City Record of Protected Structures (Kilkenny City and County Development Plan, 2021-2027) or in the National Inventory of Architectural Heritage (www.buildingsofireland.ie) within the vicinity of the development site (i.e. within ½ km).

4.5 Cartographic and Aerial Photographic Sources

An examination of earlier Ordnance Survey (OS) maps including the First Edition 6-inch series (1839 [*Fig.6*]); 25-inch OS series (1903 [*Fig.7*]) and the revised 6-inch OS series (1945-46) revealed the area of the site was part of a large field covering 9.17887 acres. This did not change between 1839/40 (*Fig.6*) and 1945/46. In the second half of the twentieth century the field was sub-divided, with the weather station built in 1957 on a small plot fronting the public road.



Figure 6. First Edition Ordnance Survey Map (1839). Site Location Highlighted in Black.



Figure 7. 25-inch OS Series (1903). Site Location Highlighted in Black.

An examination of aerial photography (OSI Map Genie 1995, 1999, 2004, 2005 & 2011) revealed further information about the site and its environs. By the end of the 20th century further sub-division of the field had been undertaken with two plots being developed for single housing. This was part of the general development along Dunningstown Road of single houses in the latter part of the 20th century and early 21st century. The field containing the weather station was subject to extensive development for housing estates (the Grange and Talbots Court) by 2004.

5. Impact of the Proposed Development

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5.1 Introduction

There may be a direct impact where sites of archaeological, architectural and cultural heritage significance are located within the footprint of a proposed development, which can potentially be impacted upon by sub-surface ground disturbances. In relation to the proposed development, there is no site of archaeological, architectural and cultural heritage within the proposed development's footprint.

It is evident from the review of known recorded archaeological monuments and the database of archaeological excavations, that the proposed development is located in an area of archaeological potential. As a result, there is potential that ground works associated with the construction of the proposed residential development could have an impact on previously unrecorded archaeological deposits/remains that the site may retain. The recorded ring-ditch (KK019-007), located *circa* 40m to the northwest in a large tillage field on the opposite side of the road to the site, comprises a small circular enclosure. Ongoing archaeological investigations at this site and its immediate environs have revealed archaeological features including two potential barrows, a possible cremation pit, a potential bowl furnace and two potential refuse pits⁷. Other findings, in the centre of an adjoining field, included an extensive fulacht fiadh whilst in the southeast corner of the same field a curvilinear spread of heat-shattered with two small possible pits was revealed⁸.

5.2 Potential Direct Impact on Recorded Archaeological Monuments

There is no recorded archaeological monument within the footprint of the site of the proposed development. Accordingly there will be no impact on known archaeological monuments.

5.3 Potential Direct Impact on Unrecorded Archaeological Monuments

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 ⁷ P. Dunne. Excavations Bulletin Database. 2022
 ⁸ *Ibid*.

There may be unrecorded archaeological deposits associated with the nearby archaeological monument (KK019-007) that could be impacted on by the proposed development. Ongoing archaeological investigations in the vicinity of this monument have indicated extensive human activity over a large area.

5.4 Potential Direct Impact on Architectural Heritage Sites

There are no protected structures or architectural heritage sites within the proposed development site or its environs (i.e. within $\frac{1}{2}$ km). Accordingly there will be no impact on such structures/sites.

5.5 'Do Nothing' Scenario

In this instance, there would be no impact on any potential unrecorded sub-surface archaeological deposits/remains.

5.6 'Worst Case' Scenario

Were the development to proceed without appropriate mitigation, it could impact on unrecorded archaeological deposits/remains associated with the nearby archaeological monuments. Archaeological deposits/remains are irreplaceable and if impacted upon without appropriate mitigation, a valuable resource is permanently lost.

6. Mitigation Measures

Should the proposed residential development proceed, it is recommended all groundworks to be archaeologically monitored.

Archaeological monitoring shall consist the following:

- The applicant is required to employ a qualified archaeologist to monitor all groundworks associated with the development.
- Should archaeological material be found during the course of monitoring, the archaeologist may have work on the site stopped, pending a decision as to how best to deal with the archaeology.
- The developer shall be prepared to be advised by the Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage with regard to any necessary mitigation measures, such as preservation *in situ*, redesign or excavation and should facilitate the archaeologist in recording any material found.
- The Planning Authority of Kilkenny County Council and the Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage shall be furnished with a report describing the results of the monitoring.

Mary Henry Mary Henry Archaeological Services Ltd. 5th October 2022.

Appendix B

- 1. Pre-planning Report
- 2. Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Screening
- 3. Appropriate Assessment (AA) Screening
- 4. Roads Design Office Report

Comhairle Chontae Chill Chainnigh Kilkenny County Council Pre-Planning Report



Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended Planning and Development Regulations 2001, as amended

Planning Ref: Section 179A Housing Development

Subject: Housing Section proposed development at the Old Weather Station Site, Dunningstown Road, Kilkenny.

Site History

Adjacent sites

22/486 – Permission granted to Michael and Eileen O' Riordan to construct a two-storey detached dwelling with detached domestic garage to include a new vehicular entrance from the Dunningstown Road connections to public water mains and public sewers and associated site development works.

22/485 - Retention permission granted to Michael and Eileen O' Riordan for:

a. Conversion of single storey domestic garage to use as home office.

b. Single store domestic store and all associated site development works

Subject site

00/1968 – Permission granted to Ragget Homes and Silverspruce Ltd. for Phase 3 of an overall housing development of 191 houses and community service buildings; the application was revised through further information submitted, for six apartments, and dwellings.

99/906 – Permission granted to Michael and Eileen O' Riordan for retention of change of rooftype, increase of size of conservatory, change of position of house on site, retention of front entrance wall and increase in height to part of rear wall (re: P.963/95); subject site formed part of a larger site relating to dwelling to the south-east.

98/46 – Permission granted to Met Eireann to erect a palisade security fence around the perimeter of the Met Station property.

99/228 – Application for James Walsh withdrawn for dwelling.

95/963 – Permission granted to Michel O' Riordan for dwelling and garage; the subject site was part of a larger site to the south-east.

95/928 – Permission granted to P & K Bollard for a dwelling; the subject site formed part of a larger site to the south-east.

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Pre-planning

Previous pre-Part 8 proposed housing development at this location; advised as follows: "In principle the proposal for a two-storey apartment block at this location may be acceptable in principle subject to technical and design considerations. I would suggest that the design would be in keeping with the existing apartment block to the north of the site."

Legislation

The provisions of the Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended, and the Planning and Development Regulations 2001, as amended apply.

Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended, Part XI Section 179A 'Local Authority own housing development' states as follows:

179A. (1) This section applies to housing development—

(a) that is carried out by, on behalf of, or jointly or in partnership with, a local authority pursuant to a contract entered into by the local authority concerned, whether in its capacity as a planning authority or in any other capacity,

(b) that does not materially contravene the development plan or local area plan for the area,

(c) that is in accordance with the strategy included in the development plan for the area in accordance with section 94(1),

(d) that is not subject to a requirement, in accordance with the Environmental Impact Assessment Directive, for an assessment with regard to its effects on the environment,

(e) that is not subject to a requirement, in accordance with the Habitats Directive, for an appropriate assessment,

(f) that is on land—

(i) that is owned by a local authority or a State Authority,

(ii) that is zoned for residential use, and

(iii) that has access, or can be connected, to public infrastructure and facilities, including roads and footpaths, public lighting, foul sewer drainage, surface water drainage and water supply, necessary for dwellings to be developed and with sufficient service capacity available for such development, and

(g) that is commenced on or before 31 December 2024.

(2) Prior to the commencement of development to which this section applies, the chief executive of the local authority shall inform the members of the local authority in relation to the development and shall provide documents, particulars or plans relevant to the development to the members.

Having regard to the documentation submitted from the Housing Section in support of the proposed development, I consider that the requirements of Section 179 A. (1) (a) – (g) will be satisfied in respect of the proposed development.

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Development Plan Zoning

The site is zoned Existing Residential as per the Kilkenny City and County Development Plan 2021-2027 with the objective to protect, provide and improve residential amenities.

The proposed development is in accordance with the zoning objective for the site.

Site location and description

The site is located to the north-west of Kilkenny City centre, with access from the Dunningstown Road. The site has a stated area of 0.1352ha, and there are existing buildings on site relating to the former use of the site as a Met Eireann weather station. The site boundaries are currently fenced with palisade fencing.

There are existing residential developments located on the adjoining sites. The site to the north east and east of the site is a large residential site with an existing detached two-storey dwelling, and with permission recently granted for a two-storey dwelling within the side garden to the north-east of the proposed development. Talbots Court residential development is located to the north-east of the site, with parking spaces and public open space is located within the vicinity of the site.

The Roads objective R6 as per the development plan relates to the lands to the west of the site, with the objective to "provide for a road connection from the Freshford Road to the site reserved for a proposed secondary school within the Loughmacask masterplan area".

The south-west area of the site is located within a zone of archaeological potential associated with a recorded monument ref. KK019-007--- 'Enclosure', which appears to be centred on the opposite side of the public road to the south-west of the site.



Site location map submitted

Referrals (by proposing section)

- Environment recommends proposals for surface water are addressed.
- Uisce Eireann notes that the wastewater connection will be via Talbot's Court existing third party infrastructure, and that permission to connect to this network will be required at application stage.
- Roads recommends a number of matters to be addressed at detailed design stage.
- Municipal District Engineer response not received to date.

Proposed development

- Proposed demolition of the existing structures on this brownfield site formerly used as a Met Eireann weather station.
- Proposed construction a two-storey apartment building to accommodate:
 - Four 1-bed own door apartments, and
 - Two 2-bed own door apartment units.

Three apartments are proposed at ground floor level, and three with own door access at first floor level.

The site has a stated area of 0.1352ha; a density of 44.34 units per hectare is proposed. The proposal meets the required minimum development plan standards in relation to unit size, private and public open space, bin storage and bike parking. Public space and the access road benefits from proposed passive supervision. The proposed external finishes appear to include render and brick; the roof finishes are unclear.

The site layout would benefit from the inclusion of proposed boundary types.



Proposed site layout plan

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Proposed Elevations

Archaeology

The site is located within

Within zone of notification for Lousybush Ring Ditch. AIA completed. Archaeological Monitoring proposed.

The south-west area of the site is located within a zone of archaeological potential associated with a recorded monument ref. KK019-007--- 'Enclosure', which appears to be centred on the opposite side of the public road to the south-west of the site.

An Archaeological Impact Assessment has been submitted prepared by Mary Henry Archaeological Services Ltd. The report notes that archaeological investigations are being carried out relating to the recorded monument KK019-007--- as part of advance works for the construction of the new CBS Secondary School.

Potential impacts have been identified on previously unrecorded archaeological deposits/ remains; section 6 of the report recommends mitigation measures including archaeological monitoring.

Services

Water – connection to mains supply. Waste water – connection to public sewer Surface water – to be clarified. A Confirmation of Feasibility has been submitted with the proposal which notes as follows:

- Water Connection Feasible without infrastructure upgrade by Irish Water
- Wastewater Connection Feasible without infrastructure upgrade by Irish Water Connection will be via Talbots Court existing third-party infrastructure. Permission to connect to this network will be required at application stage. No stormwater will be permitted to enter the wastewater network.

Talbots Court has been 'taken-in-charge' by the Council following a Taking-In-Charge application ref. TC104; it would therefore appear that the Council would have sufficiency of interest with regard to connection to the public sewer, however, the proposing section should satisfy themselves of same.

The response from the Environment Section, notes that surface water shall not enter the mains wastewater network and that proposals for disposal of surface water are recommended within the boundaries of the site.

Access

Access to the site is proposed at the south-east corner to the site onto the Dunningstown Road. Sightlines of 50m are proposed in both directions.

The proposing section shall ensure that they have sufficiency of interest to carry out any required works to achieve sightlines on lands outside of the site boundaries.

A report has been received from the Roads Design Office dated 25th April 2023, with a number of recommendations to be addressed as part of the proposed development; these recommendations should be addressed in the detailed design by the proposing section.

The report notes:

It shall be noted that the existing realignment of the Dunningstown Road fronting the proposed access is subject to change. This is being advanced as part of a Design-Build contract linked with the nearby school site. As such the design as produced by the consultant to date and on which the proposed design of the entrance in this proposal is based may be subject to potential change. This shall be noted and the Housing Section is advised to consult with the Roads Section as the detailed design progresses.

Suggestions are also made to increase parking provision on site to accord with development plan standards.

Landowner

The Local Authority is the he stated landowner.

Impact on Natura 2000 site

A Screening exercise was completed, which showed that no significant environmental impact is likely on any Natura 2000 site.

EIA Conclusion

A preliminary examination of the nature, size and location of the proposed development has been carried out which determines that there is no real likelihood of significant effects on the environment arising from the proposed development. It is therefore concluded that an EIAR is not required.

S.179A Recommendation:

The following shall be addressed by the Housing Section:

- 1. Wastewater: Usice Eireann have noted that the proposed wastewater connection will be via Talbots Court existing third-party infrastructure; and that permission to connect to this network will be required at application stage. In this regard it should be noted that Talbots Court has been 'taken-in-charge' by the Council ref. TC104; it would appear that the Council would have sufficiency of interest with regard to connection to the public sewer, however, the proposing section should satisfy themselves of same.
- 2. Surface Water: No stormwater will be permitted to enter the wastewater network as per the response from Uisce Eireann; proposals are required for on-site surface water management and disposal.
- 3. Waste Management: Prior to commencement of development, a waste management plan for the construction and demolition phases of development is recommended.
- 4. Access: A report has been received from the Roads Design Office dated 25th April 2023, with a number of recommendations to be addressed as part of the proposed development; these recommendations should be addressed in the detailed design. The proposing section shall ensure that they have sufficiency of interest to carry out any required works to achieve sightlines on lands outside of the site boundaries.
- 5. Site Notice: In accordance with article 81A (2) (e) of the Planning and Development Regulations 2001, as amended, the site notice shall "(e) indicate its determinations under articles 81A(5) and 81A(6),"; therefore the determination of the AA Screening shall also be included in the site notice.

Site notices should be erected on the Dunningstown Road and in Talbots Court

- 6. Layout and landscaping: The site layout would benefit from the inclusion of;
 - a **pedestrian/cycle link** to Talbots Court;
 - Specification of proposed boundary types and extents and details of roof finishes should be clarified.
 - landscaping which includes planting of native species, and pollinator friendly species.
- 7. Archaeology: Consultation with the National Monuments Section is recommended, prior to commencement of any development on site. The mitigation measures as per section 6 of the Archaeological Impact Assessment shall be adhered to in relation to the proposed development.

12th May 2023

C. Kelly, Senior Executive Planner (Acting)

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Appendix: Roads Design Office Report.

Una Kealy, Administrative Officer Planning

Date: 25/04/2023

Ref: Kilkenny County Council Housing Section. Proposal for the construction of 4 no. 1 bed own door apartments and 2no. 2 bed own door apartment units on an existing brownfield site. Demolition of existing structures on site (former Weather Station), Dunningstown Road, Kilkenny.

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I refer to notification received in relation to the above and I have the following comments in relation to the proposal.

It shall be noted that the existing realignment of the Dunningstown Road fronting the proposed access is subject to change. This is being advanced as part of a Design-Build contract linked with the nearby school site. As such the design as produced by the consultant to date and on which the proposed design of the entrance in this proposal is based may be subject to potential change. This shall be noted and the Housing Section is advised to consult with the Roads Section as the detailed design progresses.

The following issues shall be addressed in detailed design.

(a) The entrance detail shall be revised to prioritise pedestrian movements on the public footpath as against the vehicular traffic for the proposed entrance.

(b) Ensure visibility splays at the entrance are provided for to requirements of the DMRD and DMURS.

(c) Address and correct the anomaly on the layout drawings of the entrance as it joins the public as regards the radius provided for the proposed roadway edge.

(d) Provide an appropriate variation/demarcation in material finish types between the public road & its proposed associated footpath and the internal roads/footpaths provided within the site.

(e) The parking as provided does not accord to development plan standards. It is noted that the development plan standards indicate a requirement for a minimum of 7.5 spaces, (6 + 1.5 for visitors), equating to 8 parking spaces being required. I note that 6 are proposed. (It is not clear the benefit of the turning area provided noting the width of the general access roads to be provided which will already aid turning manoeuvres. In addition, the width of the standard parking spaces could be reduced from 2.5 to 2.4 to gain some extra width. This additional area plus the turning head could then allow for an additional 2 spaces to be potentially available.)

(f) There appears to be no internal footpath to safely direct pedestrians from the proposed public road footpath to link with the footpaths provided within the site. A footpath is recommended on the northern side given the housing units are located on this side, minimum width 1.8m.

(g) It shall be noted that there is an existing permitted development, ref: P22/486 which will access the public road directly adjacent (southern side) of the access proposed. The proposed development shall be reviewed to ensure compatibility with the design of that adjacent entrance and liaise with the developer adjacent in that regard.

(h) I note that no detail in respect of the provision of public lighting has been provided. Prior to the commencement of the development the Housing Section is requested to submit for the agreement of the public lighting section of Kilkenny County Council details of the public lighting design including digital lighting plots for the proposed development for consideration. The lighting shall have energy efficient LED technology and capable to be adapted for use with a central management system (CMS –with 7pin NEMA sockets) or equivalent and consideration shall be given to the lighting provision on the existing road network. The lantern specification shall be registered on the SEAI Triple E register. Guidance is available in the draft Kilkenny County Council Public Lighting Manual and Product Specification 2021.

(i) All proposed columns and signs shall be located in such a manner to be minimum 450mm off the roadway edge and installed in such a manner to not obstruct pedestrian footpaths.

(j) All required road markings and signage shall be in-compliance with the Department of Transport, Traffic Signs Manual, 2019.

(k) Slow zone signage shall be provided at the entrance into the site in accordance with DTTAS Traffic Signs Advice Note-2016-02.

(1) Stop signage and road markings shall be provided at the junction with the public road.

(m) A detailed Construction and Environmental Management Plan (CEMP) including a Traffic Management Plan for the proposed development shall be agreed with the Municipal District Office prior to commencement of development works.

(n) Ensure agreement with the local Municipal District Office the final finishes, construction make up and detailing of the proposed footpath and the layout of the proposed entrance.

(o) In the event that development entrance works proceed prior to the road improvement works, the Housing Technical section shall ensure to optimise the sightlines and visibility splays from the development entrance to the existing road in consultation with the Roads Section of Kilkenny County Council.

A road opening licence shall be required in respect of all works affecting the public road and footpath.

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Seamus Foley, Senior Executive Engineer, Road Design Section.

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Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended Planning and Development Regulations 2001, as amended

Applicant: Housing Section, Kilkenny County Council

Subject: Environment Impact Assessment

Development: Demolition of existing structures and construction of a block of 6 apartments and associated works (bin store, roadways, parking) on the former Weather Station site at Coolgrange, Dunningstown Road, Kilkenny City

Kilkenny Council Housing Section proposes to carry out a residential development in accordance with the provisions of Section 179A of the Planning and Development Act, as amended, at to consist of the following:

Demolition of existing structures and construction of a block of 6 apartments and associated works (bin store, roadways, parking) on the former Weather Station site at Coolgrange, Dunningstown Road, Kilkenny City

EIA Conclusion and Determination

The Planning Authority EIA screening has considered:

- The characteristics of the proposed development, including size and design, cumulation with other existing development
- The nature of works and risks relevant to the project, the location of the proposed development, the types and characteristics of potential impacts, including the cumulation of the impact with the impact of other existing and proposed development
- The criteria as set out in Schedule 5 of the Planning and Development Regulations, 2001 as amended
- Schedules 7 and 7A of the Planning and Development Regulations, 2001 (as amended)
- The description of the proposed development, description of the aspects of the environment likely to be significantly affected by the proposed development, and a description of any likely significant effects, on the environment resulting from (a) the expected residues and emissions and the production of waste, where relevant, and (b) the use of natural resources, in particular soil, land, water and biodiversity.

- Directive 2014/52/EU, amending EIA Directive 2011/92/EU •
- The complete documentation submitted, and referral responses •

Having regard to the foregoing, the Planning Authority concludes that an EIAR is not required.

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AA: Screening Form

STEP 1. Description of the project/proposal and local site characteristics:

(a)	File Reference No:	S.179 A Housing Application Dunningstown Road, Kilkenny
(b)	Brief description of the project or plan:	Demolition of existing structures and construction of a block of 6 apartments and associated works (bin store, roadways, parking) on the former Weather Station site at Coolgrange, Dunningstown Road, Kilkenny City
(c)	Brief description of site characteristics:	Site is located in Kilkenny City remote from existing Natura 2000 sites and without a pathway between the proposed site and works and the Natura 2000 sites within 15km of the site.
(d)	Relevant prescribed bodies consulted: e.g. DHLGH (NPWS), EPA, OPW	n/a
(e)	Response to consultation:	n/a

STEP 2. Identification of relevant Natura 2000 sites using Source-Pathway-Receptor model and compilation of information on Qualifying Interests and conservation objectives.

Natura 2000 European Site	List of Qualifying Interest/Special Conservation Interest ¹	Distance from proposed development ² (km)	Connections (Source- Pathway- Receptor)	Considered further in screening Y/N
See tables 2 and 3 below	See tables 2 and 3 below	See tables 2 and 3 below	No	No

¹ Short paraphrasing and/or cross reference to NPWS is acceptable – it is not necessary to reproduce the full text on the QI/SCI.

 2 If the site or part thereof is within the European site or adjacent to the European site, state here.

Table 2: Identification of Natura 2000 sites (SACs and SPAs) which may be impacted by the proposed development

Please answer the following five questions in order to determine whether there are any Natura 2000 sites which could potentially be impacted by the proposed development. If the answer to all of these questions is no, significant impacts can be ruled out for habitats and bird species. No further assessment is required. Please refer to tables 3 and 4 where the answer to any of these questions is yes.

	Using the Source – Pathway- Receptor model, please consider the	Y/N
	following	
1	ONE- OFF HOUSE /SMALL EXTENSION/ ALTERATION TO EXISTING BUILDING	

	Using the Source – Pathway- Receptor model, please consider the following	Y/N
1a	Is the development a one- off house/small extension/alternation to existing building within an SAC/SPA or within 100m of an SAC/SPA and likely to discharge pollutants or nutrients of a significant nature and amount to surface water within catchments of and SAC/SPA as part of its construction or operational phase (including the installation of waste water treatment systems; percolation areas; septic tanks within SAC/SPA or very close proximity)?.	N
	If the answer to the above question is: - no, then no appropriate assessment required - yes, then an appropriate assessment is required - not sure, then an appropriate assessment is required in accordance with the precautionary principle	
2	DEVELOPMENTS OTHER THAN THOSE DESCRIBED IN 1 ABOVE	
2a	Impacts On Freshwater Habitats Is the development within a Special Area of Conservation whose qualifying interests include freshwater habitats, or in the catchment of same and does the development propose to discharge water to or abstract water from the habitat?	N
	Sites to consider: Lower River Suir, River Barrow, River Nore. (these sites also include many tributaries – check on NPWS website)	
	Habitats to consider: Alluvial Wet Woodland, (Lower River Suir and Nore), Dry Heath (some steep slopes along River Barrow and its tributaries) Rivers, Streams, Lakes and Lagoons, Old Oak Woodland, floating river vegetation,	
	Species to consider: River Lamprey, Brook Lamprey, Freshwater Pearls Mussel, Nore Freshwater Pearl Mussel, Crayfish, Twaite Shad, Atlantic Salmon, Otter, Vertigo Moulinsiana,	
2b	Impacts On Wetland Habitats Is the development within a Special Area of Conservation whose qualifying interests include wetland habitats, or likely to discharge water to or abstract water from the wetland?	N
	Sites to consider: Hugginstown Fen, Galmoy Fen, The Loughans, Flood Plain wetlands	
	Habitats to consider:	
	Bogs, Alkaline Fens (Hugginstown and Galmoy), Turloughs (The Loughans), wet grassland and Marsh (river floodplains)	
2c	Impacts on Intertidal and Marine Habitats Is the development located within a Special Area of Conservation whose qualifying interests include intertidal and marine habitats and species, or within the catchment of same and likely to discharge water to or abstract water from the habitats.	N
	Sites to consider: Lower River Suir	
	Habitats to consider: Atlantic Salt meadows, Mudflats, sandflats, saltmarsh, estuary	
	Species to consider: Sea Lamprey, River Lamprey, Brook Lamprey, Freshwater Pearl Mussel, Crayfish, Twaite Shad, Atlantic Salmon, Otter.	
2d	Impacts On Woodlands And Grasslands Is the development within a Special Area of Conservation whose qualifying habitats include terrestrial habitats, or in close proximity to same with a likely ecological impact?.	N
	Sites to consider: Spa hill and Clomantagh Hill, Cullahil Mountain, River Barrow, River Nore, Lower River Suir	
	Habitats to consider: <i>Alluvial Wet Woodlands</i> (River Nore below Inistioge and River Suir at Fiddown Island and Carrick on Suir), Eutropic tall herb vegetation (River Suir at Fiddown Island and Carrick on Suir), and grasslands (Spa hill and Clomantagh Hill, Cullahil Mountain)	
	Oak Woodlands in old estates next to the Nore and Barrow	
	Species to consider: Greenwinged, Frog and Bee Orchids (Cullahill and Clomantagh Hill), Nettle Leaved Bellflower and Autumn Crocus	
2e	Impacts On Birds Is the development within a Special Protection Area, or likely to discharge water to same or likely to have another significant impact on the habitats of Birds in same?.	N
	Sites to consider: River Nore	
	Species to consider: River Nore: Kingfisher (Alcedo Atthis) – Nesting in river banks	

Table 3: Determination of possible impacts on Natura 2000 sites.Where it has been identified in table 2 that there is a Natura 2000 site within the potential impact zone of the proposed
development, it is necessary to try to determine the nature of the possible impacts.Please answer the following questions as appropriate.

	Using the Source – Pathway- Receptor model, please	
	consider the following- notwithstanding distance any	
1.	OIFECT IINK NEEDS CONSIDERATION Impacts on designated freshwater habitats (rivers, lakes streams and lagoons).	
	Please answer the following if the answer to guestion 2a in table 2 was yes.	
	Does the development involve any of the following:	
1 1	Impacts on watercourses (tributaries, streams, drains) which are remote from the SAC/SDA	
1.1	but may still impact on the SAC/SPA by reason of the nature or quantity of the discharge	
1.2	Abstraction from surfacewater or groundwater within 1km of SAC/SPA.	
1.3	Removal of topsoil within 100 m of watercourses with potential for surface water runoff.	
1.4	Infilling or raising of ground levels within 100m of watercourses with potential for surface water runoff.	
1.5	Construction of drainage ditches within 1km of SAC/SPA.	
1.6	Construction within a floodplain or within an area liable to flood.	
1.7	Crossing or culverting of rivers or streams within 1km of SAC/SPA.	
1.8	Storage of chemicals hydrocarbons or organic wastes within 100 m of a watercourse.	
1.9	Development of a large scale which involves the production of an EIS.	
1.10	Development of quarries, particularly where abstraction is below water table. Provision of process water silt management systems	
1.11	Development of windfarms within 1km of an SAC or with the risk of runoff to an SAC/SPA, particularly during construction.	
1.12	Development of pumped hydro electric stations.	
2	Impacts on designated wetland habitats (bog, heath, marsh, fen).	
	Please answer the following if the answer to question 2b in table 2 was yes.	
	Does the development involve any of the following:	
2.1	Impacts on watercourses (tributaries, streams, drains) which are remote from the SAC/SPA but may still impact on the SAC/SPA by reason of the nature or quantity of the discharge.	
2.2	Construction of roads or other infrastructure on peat habitats within 1km of a Natura 2000 site of which qualifying interests include peat, fen or marsh. (Only Peat habitat at Bruckana – consider Galmoy fen – impact unlikely	
2.3	Development of a large scale within 1km within a Natura 2000 site, whose qualifying features include fen or marsh, which involves the production of an EIS.	
3	Impacts on designated intertidal and marine habitats (mudflats, sandflats, estuaries, reefs and sea	cliffs).
	Please answer the following if the answer to question 2c in table 2 was yes.	
	Does the development involve any of the following:	
3.1	Impacts on intertidal and marine habitats from potential development which are remote from the SAC/SPA but may still impact on the SAC/SPA by reason of the nature or quantity of the	
	discharge	
3.2	Development of piers, slipways, marinas, pontoons or any other infrastructure within 5km of a Natura 2000 site whose qualifying features include intertidal or marine habitats.	
3.3	Dredging within 5km of a Natura 2000 site whose qualifying features include intertidal or marine habitats.	
3.4	Impacts on watercourses (tributaries, streams, drains) which are remote from the SAC/SPA but may still impact on the SAC/SPA by reason of the nature or quantity of the discharge.	

3.5	Removal of topsoil or infilling within 100m of Natura 2000 sites whose qualifying features include intertidal or marine habitats where potential for surface water runoff exists.	
3.6	Development of a large scale within 1km of Natura 2000 sites whose qualifying features include intertidal or marine habitats, which involves the production of an EIS.	
4	Impacts on other designated woodlands and grasslands (woodland, upland grassland, lowland grassland, coastal grassland including dunes).	
	Please answer the following if the answer to question 2d in table 2 was yes.	
	Does the development involve any of the following:	
4.1	Works within the boundary of a Special Area of Conservation whose qualifying interests include woodland or grassland habitat types.	
4.2	Development within 200m of Natura 2000 site with woodland or grassland habitats.	
4.3	Development of a large scale within 1km of Natura 2000 site with woodland, grassland or coastal habitats which involves the production of an EIS.	
5	Impacts on birds in SPAs	
	Please answer the following if the answer to question 2e in table 2 was yes.	
	Does the development involve any of the following:	
5.2	Erection of wind turbines within 1km of an SPA.	
5.3	All construction works within 100m of SPA (River Nore), including the development of cycle ways or walking routes	
5.4	Infilling of coastal habitats within 500m of intertidal SPA.	
5.5	Works within 1km of coastal SPA which will result in discharges to rivers or streams that are directly connected to designated sites.	

Conclusion: If the answer to question 1 and 2a-e are no or n/a, significant impacts on habitats within Natura 2000 sites and on SPAs can be ruled out. No further assessment is required in relation to habitats or birds. If the answer to any question in table 2 is yes, you may require further information, unless you are satisfied that the project proponents have incorporated adequate mitigation into their design to avoid impacts on the Natura 2000 site (eg water pollution protection measures). Such information should be provided in the form of a Natura Impact Statement which should address the particular issues of concern as identified through the above.

Table 4: Consideration of potential impacts on protected species

Many of our Special Areas of Conservation are designated for species as well as for habitats. These are listed below, alongside the sites for which they are designated. Included is a short list of the types of activities which could have an impact on these species. Please tick if you are concerned that the proposed development could have an impact on these species.

Species	Relevant Sites	Activites which could have impacts on species	Possible Impacts Identified? Y/N
Otter	River Nore River Barrow Lower River Suir Note: Otters are a strictly protected species. All breeding sites and resting places are protected regardless of whether or not they are within or external to Special Areas of Conservation.	Activities that interfere with river banks.	
Atlantic Salmon	River Barrow River Nore Lower River Suir	Activities that interfere with water quality, levels or the river bed;	

Species	Relevant Sites	Activites which could have impacts on species	Possible Impacts Identified? Y/N
River Lamprey	River Barrow River Nore Lower River Suir	Activities that interfere with water quality, levels or the river bed;	
Brook Lamprey	River Barrow River Nore Lower River Suir	Activities that interfere with water quality, levels or the river bed;	
Sea Lamprey	River Barrow River Nore Lower River Suir	Activities that interfere with water quality or the river bed – estuarine areas;	
Twaite Shad	Lower River Suir	Activities that interfere with water quality or the river bed – estuarine areas;	
Crayfish	Lower River Suir	Activities that interfere with water quality or the river bed;	
Freshwater Pearl Mussel	River Barrow River Nore Lower River Suir	Activities that interfere with water quality, levels or the river bed ;	
Nore Freshwater Pearl Mussel	River Nore	Activities that interfere with water quality, levels or the river bed ;	

Conclusion: If the answer to all of the above is no, significant impacts on species can be ruled out. If the answer to any of the above is yes, then further information is likely to be required in relation to potential for impact on that particular species. Where potential impacts are identified on Otters or on Bats outside designated sites, then further information should be sought in the form of a species specific survey. In these cases, appropriate assessment is not required.

STEP 3. Assessment of Likely Significant Effects

(a) Identify all potential direct and indirect impacts that may have an effect on the conservation objectives of a European site, taking into account the size and scale of the project under the following headings:

Impacts:	Possible Significance of Impacts: (duration/magnitude etc.)
 Construction phase e.g. Vegetation clearance Demolition Surface water runoff from soil excavation/infill/landscaping (including borrow pits) Dust, noise, vibration Lighting disturbance Impact on groundwater/dewatering Storage of excavated/construction materials Access to site Pests 	Not anticipated to
 Operational phase e.g. Direct emission to air and water Surface water runoff containing contaminant or sediment Lighting disturbance Noise/vibration Changes to water/groundwater due to drainage or abstraction Presence of people, vehicles and activities Physical presence of structures (e.g. collision risks) Potential for accidents or incidents 	None anticipated
In-combination/Other	None anticipated

(b) Describe any likely changes to the European site:			
Examples of the type of changes to give consideration to include: Reduction or fragmentation of habitat area	None anticipated		
 Disturbance to QI species Habitat or species fragmentation Reduction or fragmentation in species density 			
Changes in key indicators of conservation status value (water or air quality etc.)			
 Changes to areas of sensitivity or threats to QI Interference with the key relationships that define the structure or ecological function of the site 			

(c) Are *'mitigation'* measures necessary to reach a conclusion that likely significant effects can be ruled out at screening?

No

Step 4: Habitats Directive Screening Conclusion Statement				
Conclusion:				
	Tick as Appropriate:	Recommendation:		
 (i) It is clear that there is no likelihood of significant effects on a European site. 	\checkmark	The proposal can be screened out: Appropriate assessment not required.		
 (ii) It is uncertain whether the proposal will have a significant effect on a European site. 		 Request further information to complete screening Request NIS Refuse planning permission 		
(iii) Significant effects are likely.		 Request NIS Refuse planning permission 		
Signature and Date of Recommending Officer:	Clim Kella 16th May 2023	<u>3</u>		

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N. Louw, Senior Planner (Acting)

Appendix C

1. Public Notice



Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended Planning and Development Regulations 2001, as amended

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO UNDERTAKE DEVELOPMENT BY A LOCAL AUTHORITY UNDER SECTION 179A OF THE PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT ACT, 2000 (as amended)

In accordance with the provisions of Section 179A of the Planning and Development Act 2000 (as amended) Kilkenny County Council gives notice of its intention to carry out the following development:

Demolition of existing structures and the construction of a block of 6no. apartments in a two-storey building and associated site works (bin store, roadways & parking) on the former Weather Station site at Coolgrange, Dunningstown Road, Kilkenny City

Plans and particulars of the proposed development will be available for inspection or purchase for a fee not exceeding the reasonable cost of making a copy during office hours from the date of this notice for a period of 8 weeks at Planning Dept., Kilkenny County Council, County Hall, John St., Kilkenny City from 9am to Ipm & 2pm to 4pm Monday to Friday (excluding weekends and Bank Holidays) and can be viewed online at <u>https://consult.kilkenny.ie/</u>

Screening Determination:- In accordance with the requirements of Article 120(1)(a) of the Planning and Development Regulations 2001 (as amended) the Planning authority has made a preliminary examination of the nature, size and location of the proposed development. The authority has concluded that there is no real likelihood of significant effects on the environment arising from the proposed development and a determination has been made that an Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) is not required. The authority has concluded that there is no likelihood of significant effects on a European Site and that an Appropriate Assessment is not required. As per Article 120(3) of the Planning and Development Regulations 2001 (as amended), where any person considers that the development proposed to be carried out would be likely to have significant effects on the environment, he or she may, at any time before the expiration of 4 weeks beginning on the date of the publication of this updated notice apply to An Bord Pleanála for a screening determination as to whether the development would be likely to have a significant effect on the environment.

Within a period of 8 weeks from the date of this notice any person may question the validity of any decision of the Planning Authority by way of an application for judicial review. The development will not commence until this period of 8 weeks has expired

Mary Mulholland, Director of Services. 30th June, 2023