

PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT ACT 2000 - AS AMENDED
AND
PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS 2001 – AS AMENDED
(PART 8 PROCEDURE)

PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT
(pursuant to the requirements of the above)

**Proposal to Extend the Existing Kilreaghan Cemetery at
Kincora, Ferbane by**



OFFALY COUNTY COUNCIL

MAY 2019

1 Introduction.

This proposal is made by Offaly County Council for the extension of Kilreaghan Cemetery at Kincora, Ferbane, Co. Offaly.

The following is a summary of the works described in this application:

- Provision of a wall on the northern boundary;
- Provision of access paths and roadways;
- Provision of foundations for headstones;
- Provision of drainage.

The following drawings are attached as part of this application: -

KR01-18-1001	Aerial & Location Maps
KR01-18-1002	Site Plan
KR01-18-1003	Layout Plan

2 Background.

A survey of burial grounds in the County was carried out in 2010. A provisional capital expenditure programme for extensions to existing cemeteries for the period 2011-2014 was set out in the 2011 Burial Grounds Policy document. Kilreaghan Cemetery was identified as requiring an extension.

In September 2016 a new survey of burial grounds in the county was completed which confirmed that Kilreaghan has 2 years' capacity remaining. The green space within the cemetery carpark was considered suitable to accommodate an extension. This land is in the ownership of Offaly County Council.

3 PLANNING

3.1 Regulations

Under Section 4 of the Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended, development carried out by a planning authority in its own functional area is not subject to the requirements to seek planning permission. However, it is deemed important that the public, relevant authorities and the elected members of the planning authority are informed of, and consulted on, certain prescribed developments.

Part 8 Section 80 of the Planning and Development Regulations 2001, as amended, prescribes that developments of which the public, relevant authorities

and the elected members of the planning authority must be informed and consulted and sets out the consecutive procedures which must be followed.

Offaly County Council hereby gives notice of its proposals for the Extension to Kilreaghan Cemetery, Kincora, Ferbane, County Offaly.

Plans and particulars of the proposed upgrade scheme are available for inspection and / or purchase in the offices of Offaly County Council, Áras an Chontae, Charleville Road, Tullamore, County Offaly and Ferbane Library, Cloghan Road, Ferbane, County Offaly during normal opening hours from **Wednesday May 15th 2019 to Wednesday June 12th 2019 (both dates inclusive)**.

Submissions or observations in respect of the proposed development dealing with the proper planning and sustainable development of the area in which the development is situated, may be made in writing to Ms. Mary Hussey, Acting Director of Services, , Water Services, Environment, Roads and NWCPO, Offaly County Council, Áras an Chontae, Charleville Road, Tullamore, County Offaly before 12 noon on **Wednesday June 26th 2019**.

4 Description of Proposed Development

4.1 Site Location.

Kilreaghan Cemetery is located 1.0 km south-east of Ferbane. The proposed extension lies in a green space to the north of the existing cemetery. Access to the extension will be through the existing cemetery carpark.

4.2 Proposed Development.

It is proposed to provide an extension of 0.923Ac (0.373ha) to the existing cemetery at Kilreaghan. In total, the development will provide 401 no. new graves. The works will be undertaken in four phases and 108 no. graves will be provided in Phase 1.

Phase 1 of the works will include:-

- Provision of a 1.5m high concrete block wall, plastered and capped on the northern boundary;
- Provision of access roads 2.5m wide;
- Provision of access paths 1.8m wide;
- Provision of concrete foundations for headstones, 1.0m wide;
- Provision of 450mm dia. drainage pipeline under entrance road.

Subsequent phases will comprise construction of footpaths and headstone foundations as the need arises.

It is proposed to carry out this development as a lawn cemetery, i.e., without any kerbs around the graves.

4.3 Working Details of Proposed Development.

Operation and maintenance of the extended cemetery will be provided by Offaly County Council.

5 ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS

5.1. Appropriate Assessment Screening

AA Screening has been carried out. The NPWS has been contacted. The AA screening concludes that the development is unlikely to have significant effects on any European sites.

5.2 Construction Stage

All wastes arising from/at the proposed development shall be managed in accordance with the Waste Management Acts 1996 as amended. While awaiting removal, all waste materials shall be stored in designated areas protected against spillage or leachate run-off.

All reasonable measures to mitigate any environmental nuisance (noise and dust) which may arise during construction will be taken. Construction shall take place during working hours 7am to 6.30pm Monday to Friday and 8am to 1.30pm Saturday.

5.3 Visual

The visual impact of the development is deemed to be not significant.

