

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT SCREENING



Planning Authority: Offaly County Council

Planning Application: Proposed Part VIII Edenderry Inner Relief Project (outlined below)

Inner Relief Road (Section 1) - Clonmullen Lane (L-5034-1) to St. Conleths Road (R-401-1) via Clonmeen Rise (L-5044-1)

Inner Relief Road (Section 2) – Fr. McWey Street (including Carraig Aoibhinn L-1028-1) to Edenderry Business Campus, Monasteroris (to junction at R-441-1) & associated junction works

Junction realignment works – Junction of St. Conleth’s Road (R-401-1) with Carraig Aoibhinn (L-1028-1) and Clonmeen Rise (L-5044-1)

Junction works – Junction of Clonmullen Lane (L-5034-1) with Section 1 and Clonmullen Drive (L-50432-1)

Junction realignment works – Junction of Clonmullen Drive (L-50432-1), Clonmullen Drive (L-50431-1),

Clonmullen Drive (L-50431-1) and access road to R-402-1 (adjacent to retail premises)

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The proposed road development is sub-threshold when examined against the Roads Regulations (S.I. No. 119 of 1994), for the purpose of subsection (1) (a) (iv) of Section 50 of the Roads Act (1993) as amended: 8. (a) *the construction of a new road of four or more lanes, or the realignment or widening of an existing road so as to provided four or more lanes, where such new, realigned or widened road would be eight kilometres of more in length in a rural area, or 500m or more in length in an urban area;*

The length of the proposed road (new carriageway) development is 1.1 km, consisting on single carriageway (one lane in each direction); accordingly I deem that EIA is not required in this instance.

Article 103 (1) of the 2001 Planning and Development Regulations requires that where a Planning Authority considers that the sub-threshold development is likely to have significant effects on the environment, it shall request the applicant to submit an EIS. As specified by Article 103 (1), (2) and (3) and Schedule 7 of the Planning and Development Regulations 2001 as amended, and also the DoEHLG publication; ‘*Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) - Guidance for Consent Authorities regarding Sub-threshold Development*’ 2003, it is considered that the proposed development would be unlikely to have significant effects on the environment and will therefore not require an EIS. It is considered that there are no sensitivities relating to the characteristics and location of the proposed development, nor are there potential impacts, that would result in a likely significant impact on the environment.

	Mark Mahon	Signed: 
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