



PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT ACT, 2000 (as amended)

<u>Application for a Section 5 Declaration</u> Development / Exempted Development

1.	Applicant's addres	ss/contact details:
	Applicant	FRONT GATE LODGE, HID DLETON PART, CO. WHITHEATH KILHUGH, CASTLETOWN-GEOGHEGAN, MULLINGAR
	Address	FRONT GATE LODGE, HID DLETON PART CO.
		KihluGH, CASTLETOWN-GEOGHEGAN, MULLINGAR
	Telephone No.	
	E-mail	
2.	Agent's (if any) ad	dress:
	Agent	
	Address	
	71007000	
	Telephone No.	
	E-mail Please advise whe	re all correspondence in relation to this application is to be
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	Applicant [V]	Agent []
3.	Location of Propo	sed Development:
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4. Development Details:

appropriate.

Please provide details of the proposed development for which an exemption under Section 5 of the Planning and Development Act is applied for.

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Where legal interest is 'Other', please expand further on your interest in the land or structure		
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GUIDANCE NOTES

- (1) All queries on the form must be completed and the form must be accompanied by the relevant fee. The amount of the fee is currently €80.00.
- (2) This application should be accompanied by **TWO COPIES** of the following documentation
 - OSI Site Location Map with the site outlined clearly 1:1000 in urban areas and 1:2500 in rural areas
 - o Floor Plans & Elevations at a scale of not less than 1:200
 - Site layout plan indicating position of proposed development relative to premises and adjoining properties
 - Other details e.g. brochures, photographs if appropriate.

(All dimensions must be given in metric scale and drawings should be accompanied by a brief description outlining the use of the proposed development)

(3) Where a proper and complete application is received, a decision must be conveyed to the applicant within four (4) weeks except where additional necessary information is required.

This application form and relevant fee should be submitted to:

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Tipperary County Council,
Civic Offices,
Limerick Road,
Nenagh,
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Civic Offices,
Emmet Street,
Clonmel,
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Part 2 - Ownership

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Register of Ownership of Freehold Land

Part 1(A) - The Property

For parts transferred see Part 1(B)

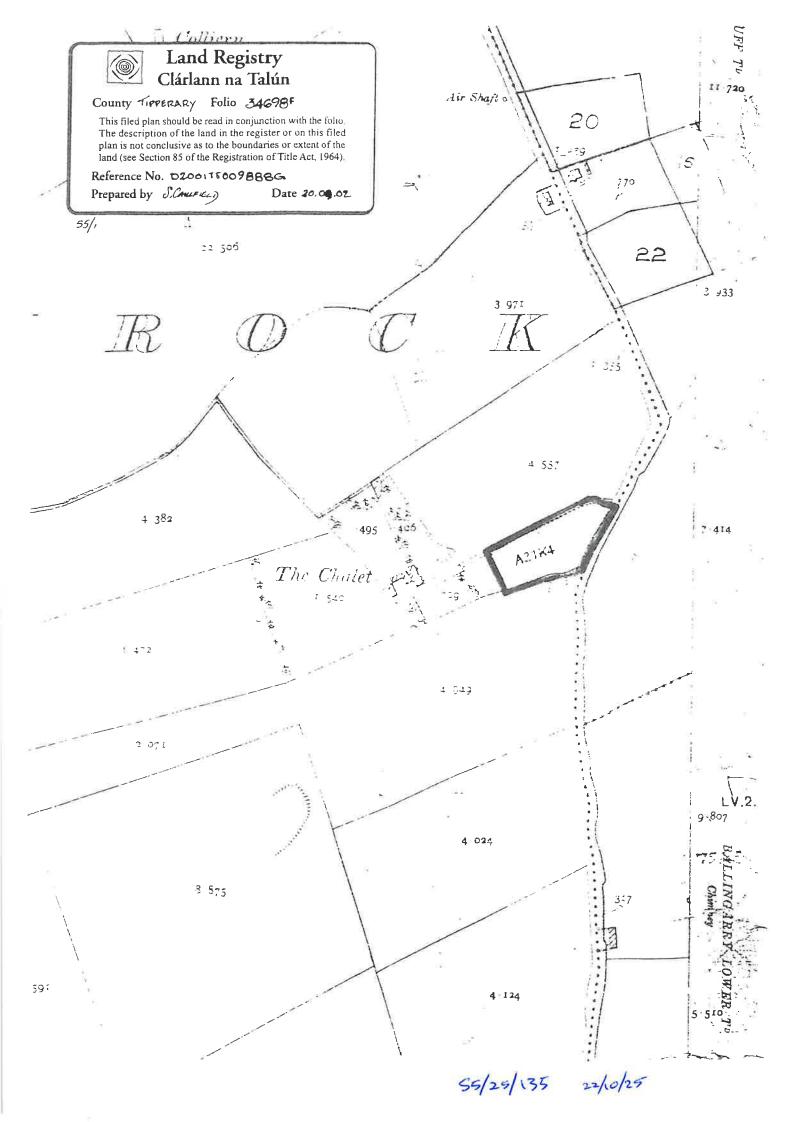
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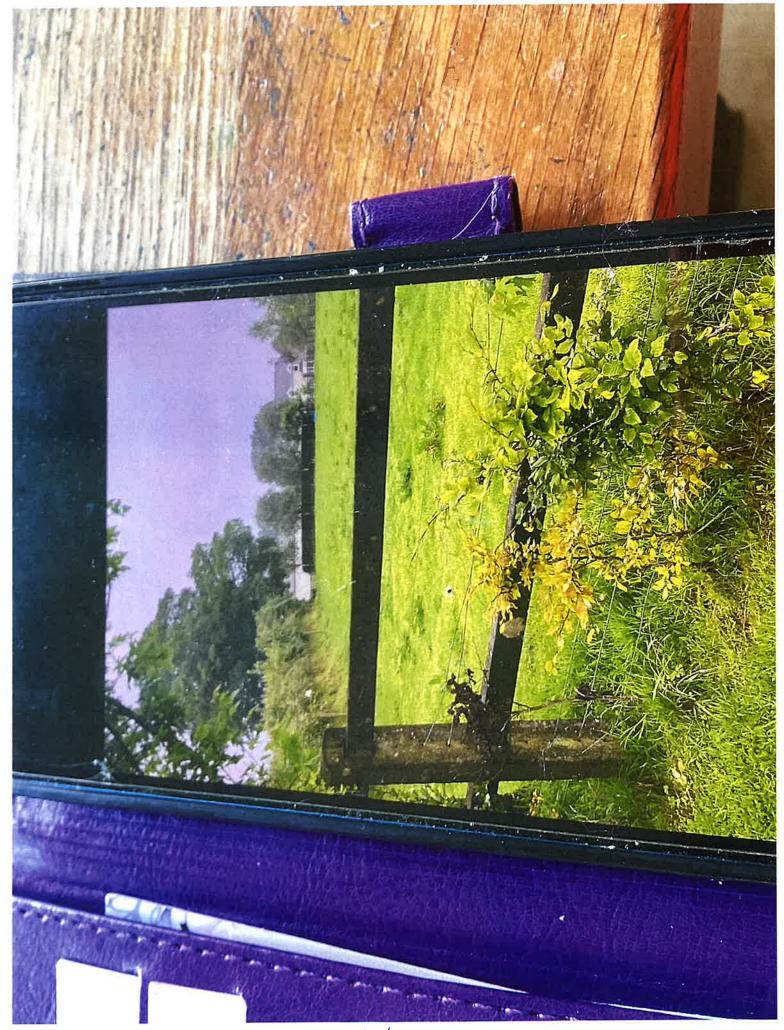
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Date: 22nd October 2025

Our Ref: S5/25/135

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Civic Offices, Nenagh

Kay Kilroy
Frontgate Lodge
Midleton Park
Kilhugh
Castletown Geogheean
Mullingar
Co Westmeath

Re: Application for a Section 5 Declaration – a new agricultural entrance at The Chalet, Coalbrook, Thurles, Co Tipperary E41 NT20

Dear Kay,

I acknowledge receipt of your application for a Section 5 Declaration received on 22nd October 2025, in connection with the above.

I wish to advise that you will be notified of a decision on your application in due course.

I have also enclosed your photo of your passport that was submitted with your application as this is not required to process your application. Tipperary County Council have not stored this data in any format.

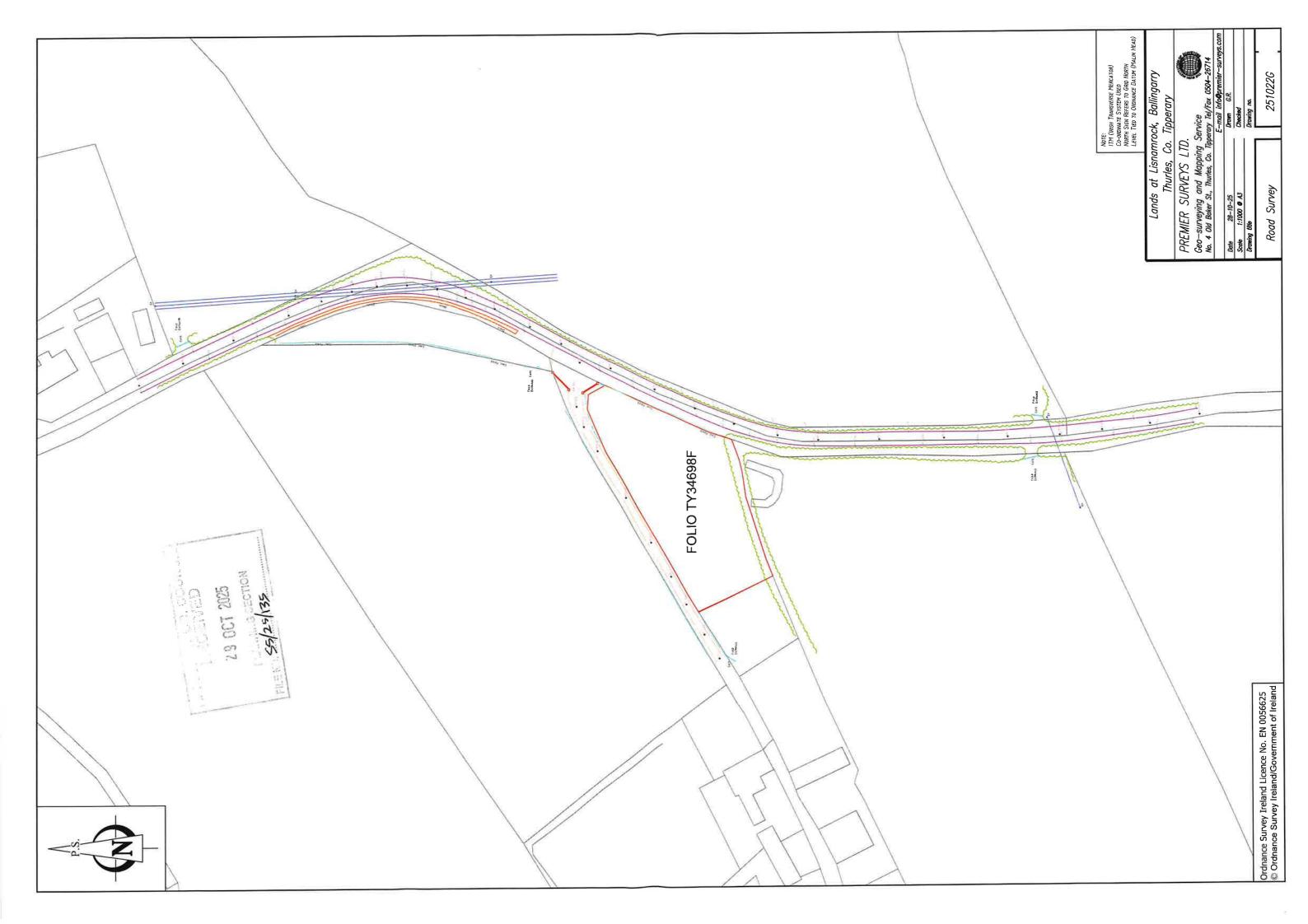
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for Director of Services

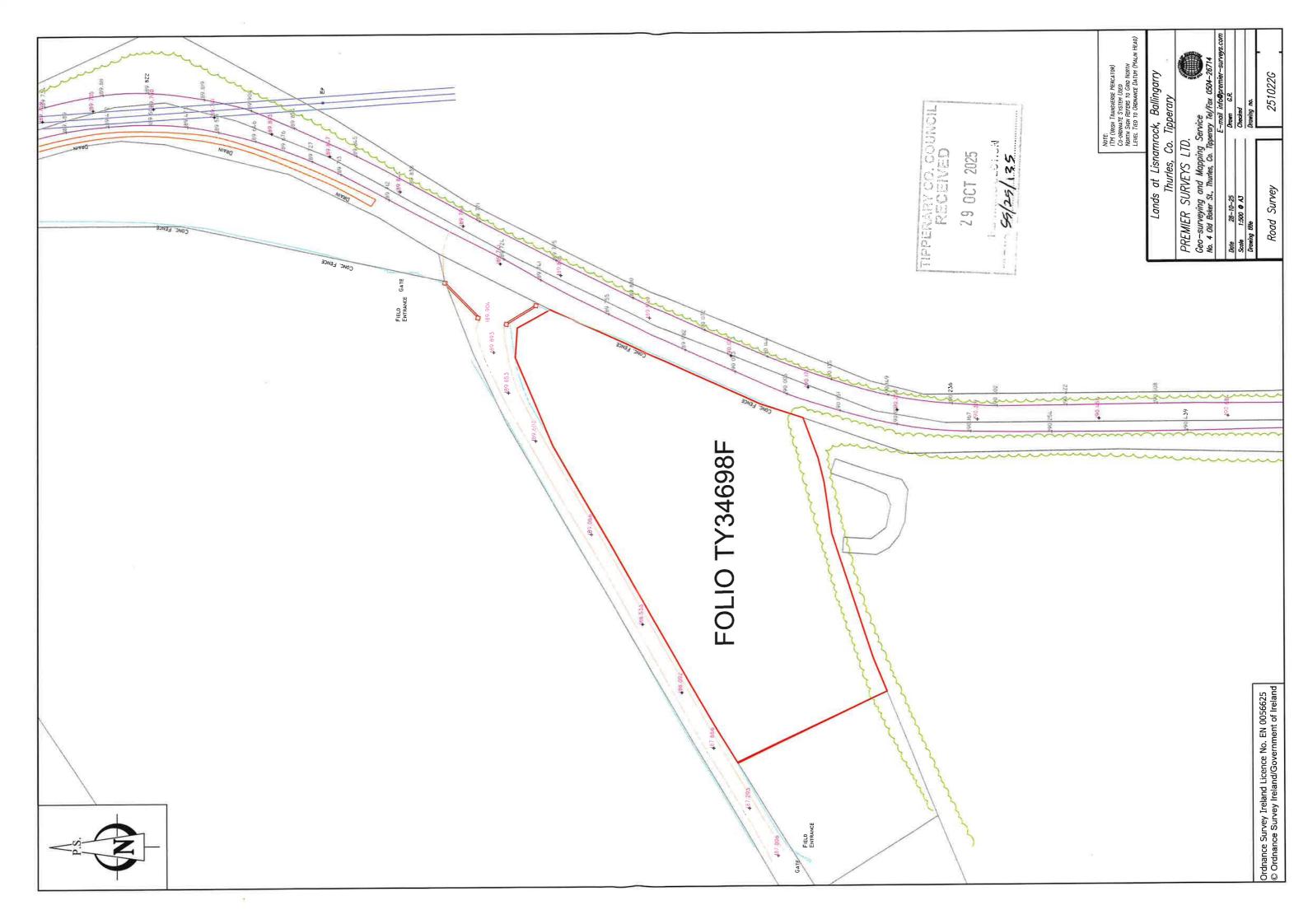
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I acknowledge receipt of unsolicited Further Information received on 29th October 2025 in connection with the above.

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Yours sincerely

TIPPERARY COUNTY COUNCIL

Application for Declaration under Section 5

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

Planning Reference: \$5.25.135

Applicant: Kay Kilroy

Development Address: The Chalet, Coalbrook, Thurles, Co Tipperary E41NT20

Proposed Development: A new agricultural entrance

1. GENERAL

On 22/10/2025 a request was made for a declaration under Section 5 of the Planning and Development Act, 2000 as amended by Kay Kilroy as to whether or not the following works constituted development and if so, whether same was exempted development:

A new agricultural entrance.

2. STATUTORY PROVISIONS

The following statutory provisions are relevant to this referral case;

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"In this Act, except where the context otherwise requires – "development" has the meaning assigned to it by Section 3 and development shall be construed accordingly."

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Section 3 (1) of the Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended, states as follows:-

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

Section 4 provides for Exempted Development and Section 4(1) sets outs works which shall be exempted development for the purposes of the Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended. Section 4(2)(a) of the same Act states that 'the Minister may by regulations provide for any class of development to be exempted development for the purposes of this Act.

Section 4 (2)(a) of the Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended, states as follows:-

- (2)(a) The Minister may by regulations provide for any class of development to be exempted development for the purposes of this Act where he or she is of the opinion that—
 - (i) by reason of the size, nature or limited effect on its surroundings, of development belonging to that class, the carrying out of such development

would not offend against principles of proper planning and sustainable development, or

(ii) the development is authorised, or is required to be authorised, by or under any enactment (whether the authorisation takes the form of the grant of a licence, consent, approval or any other type of authorisation) where the enactment concerned requires there to be consultation (howsoever described) with members of the public in relation to the proposed development prior to the granting of the authorisation (howsoever described).

Section 4(4) states that notwithstanding paragraphs 9a0, (i), (ia) and (I) of subsection (1) and any regulations under subsection (2), development shall not be exempted development if an environmental impact assessment or an appropriate assessment of the development is required.

Section 4 (4) of the Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended, states as follows:-

4. (4) Notwithstanding paragraphs (a), (i), (ia) and (l) of subsection (1) and any regulations under subsection (2), development shall not be exempted development if an environmental impact assessment or an appropriate assessment of the development is required.

Planning and Development Regulations 2001, as amended

Article 6 of the Planning and Development Regulations 2001, as amended states:

Exempted Development.

- 6. (1) Subject to article 9, development of a class specified in column 1 of Part 1 of Schedule 2 shall be exempted development for the purposes of the Act, provided that such development complies with the conditions and limitations specified in column 2 of the said Part 1 opposite the mention of that class in the said column 1.
- (3) Subject to article 9, in areas other than a city, a town or an area specified in section 19(1)(b) of the Act or the excluded areas as defined in section 9 of the Local Government (Reorganisation) Act, 1985 (No. 7 of 1985), development of a class specified in column 1 of Part 3 of Schedule 2 shall be exempted development for the purposes of the Act, provided that such development complies with the conditions and limitations specified in column 2 of the said Part 3 opposite the mention of that class in the said column 1.

Class 9 of Part 1 of Schedule 2 of the Planning and Development Regulations 2001, as amended states:

Sundry Works

Class 9

The construction, erection, renewal or replacement, other than within or bounding the curtilage of a house, of any gate or gateway.

Conditions and Limitations

1.

The height of any such structure shall not exceed 2 metres.

Class 11 of Part 1 of Schedule 2 of the Planning and Development Regulations 2001, as amended states:

Class 11

The construction, erection, lowering, repair or replacement, other than within or bounding the curtilage of a house, of –

- (a) any fence (not being a hoarding or sheet metal fence), or
- (b) any wall of brick, stone, blocks with decorative finish, other concrete blocks or mass concrete.

Conditions and Limitations

1.

The height of any new structure shall not exceed 1.2 metres or the height of the structure being replaced, whichever is the greater, and in any event shall not exceed 2 metres.

2.

Every wall, other than a dry or natural stone wall, constructed or erected bounding a road shall be capped and the face of any wall of concrete or concrete blocks (other than blocks of a decorative finish) which will be visible from any road, path or public area, including a public open space, shall be rendered or plastered.

Class 13

The repair or improvement of any private street, road or way, being works carried out on land within the boundary of the street, road or way, and the construction of any private footpath or paving.

Conditions and Limitations

1.

The width of any such private footpath or paving shall not exceed 3 metres.

3. ASSESSMENT

a. Site Location

The site is located at The Chalet, Coalbrook, Thurles Co. Tipperary E41NT20. The site is part of a larger agricultural field and is served by the L-2110-2 Local Primary Road.

b. Relevant Planning History

None relevant.

Planning Reference: 00612. Permission Granted for a dwelling house, entrance and septic tank system on 29/01/2001. -Relates to adjoining site to east.

c. Assessment

A) "Is or is not Development"

Having considered all of the details and documentation on file with regards the question asked the Planning Authority is satisfied that the proposal would involve "works" and such works would constitute "development" within the meaning of Section 3 of the Act.

B) "Is or is not Exempted Development"

In order to assess the proposal against planning exemptions further information should be sought regarding the location, height and dimensions of the proposed entrance and the materials/finishes of the entrance.

C) Restrictions under Article 9

Will be examined should an exemption under Article 6 be confirmed.

D) Requirement for Appropriate Assessment and Environmental Impact Assessment

AA

An Appropriate Assessment Screening has been undertaken that determines AA is not required.

EIA

The proposal is not a category of development that requires EIA.

4. RECOMMENDATION

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

Therefore, it is recommended that the following further information is sought from the applicant:

- 1. The applicant is requested to submit, for the consideration of the Planning Authority a Site Layout Plan (scale 1:500) showing the proposed location of the agricultural entrance. The Site Layout Plan shall include dimensions of the site entrance width and shall specify clearly where the entrance gate posts are to be located and any entrance fencing or walls. In addition the site layout plan shall indicate the public road width at the entrance location
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Advice Note: Where the public roadway width onto which the entrance opens is wider than 4 metres a planning exemption cannot be availed of.

Eon Buckley.
Signed:

Date: 10/11/2025

Jonathan Flood Signed:

Date: 10/11/2025

HABITATS DIRECTIVE APPROPERIATE ASSESSMENT (AA) SCREENING REPORT

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

(a) File Reference No:	S5/25/135
(b) Brief description of the project or plan:	As per planners report.
(c) Brief description of site characteristics:	As per planners report.
(d) Relevant prescribed bodies consulted: e.g. DHLGH (NPWS), EPA, OPW	None
(e) Response to consultation:	N/a. No referrals made.

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

European Site (code)	List of Qualifying Interest/Special Conservation Interest ¹	Distance from proposed development ² (km)	Connections (Source- Pathway- Receptor)	Considered further in screening Y/N
002162 River Barrow and River Nore	https://www.npws.ie/p rotected- sites/sac/002162	Within 10km	None	No
002137 Lower River Suir	https://www.npws.ie/p rotected- sites/sac/002137	Within 15km	None	No
000407 The Loughlans	https://www.npws.ie/p rotected- sites/sac/000407	Within 15km	None	No

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 (duration/r	Significance magnitude etc.)	of	Impacts:
 Construction phase e.g. Vegetation clearance Demolition Surface water runoff excavation/infill/landscaping (incipits) Dust, noise, vibration Lighting disturbance 	No impacts from soil luding borrow			

 Impact on groundwater/dewatering Storage of excavated/construction materials Access to site Pests 				
 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 	No impacts			
In-combination/Other	No impacts			
(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 Disturbance to QI species Habitat or species fragmentation	No impacts			

- 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

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

☐ Yes ⊠ No

STEP 4. Screening Determination Statement

The assessment of significance of effects:

Describe how the proposed development (alone or in-combination) is/is not likely to have significant effects on European site(s) in view of its conservation objectives.

On the basis of the information on file, which is considered adequate to undertake a screening determination and having regard to:

- the nature and scale of the proposed development,
- the proposed land use and distance from European sites,
- the lack of direct connections with regard to the Source-Pathway-Receptor model,

it is concluded that the proposed development, individually or in-combination with other plans or projects is not likely to have significant effects on the above listed European sites or any other European site, in view of the said sites' conservation objectives.

An appropriate assessment is not, therefore, required.					
Conclusion:					
	Tick as Appropriate:	Recomm	endation:		
(i) It is clear that there is no likelihood of significant effects on a European site.		The proposal can be screened ou 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 screeningRequest NISRefuse planning permission			
(iii) Significant effects are likely.	☐ Request NIS ☐ Refuse planning permission			ermission	
Signature and Date of Recommending Officer:	of Eoin Buckley, Planner Date: 04/11/2025			04/11/2025	

EIA Pre-Screening
Establishing a development is a 'sub-threshold development'

File Reference:	S5/25/135	S5/25/135			
Development Summary:	As per planners re	As per planners report			
Was a Screening Determination carried out under Section 176A-C?		☐Yes, no further action required☑No, Proceed to Part A			
A. Schedule 5 Part 1 - Does the devel Planning and Developmen (Tick as appropriate)					
Yes, specify class		EIA is	s mandatory		
		No So	creening required		
⊠No	Proceed to Part B				
B. Schedule 5 Part 2 - Does the development comprise a project listed in Schedule 5, Part 2 , of the Planning and Development Regulations 2001 (as amended) and does it meet/exceed the thresholds? (Tick as appropriate)					
No, the development is not a project Part 2	ct listed in Schedul	le 5,	No Screening required		
Yes the project is listed in Scho			EIA is mandatory		
meets/exceeds the threshold, spethreshold):	ecify class (inclu	aing	No Screening required		
Yes the project is of a type listed but	t is sub-threshold:		Proceed to Part C		
C. If Yes, has Schedule 7A information/s	screening report be	een si	ubmitted?		
☐ Yes, Schedule 7A information/scree submitted by the applicant☐ No, Schedule 7A information/screeni submitted by the applicant			Screening Determination required Preliminary Examination required		



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Dear Ms Kilroy,

I refer to an application received from you on 22nd October, 2025 requesting a Declaration from this Planning Authority as to whether or not certain works constitute development within the meaning of the Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended.

Further information is requested as follows;

It is recommended to request the following further information pursuant to Section 5 (2) (b) of the Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended

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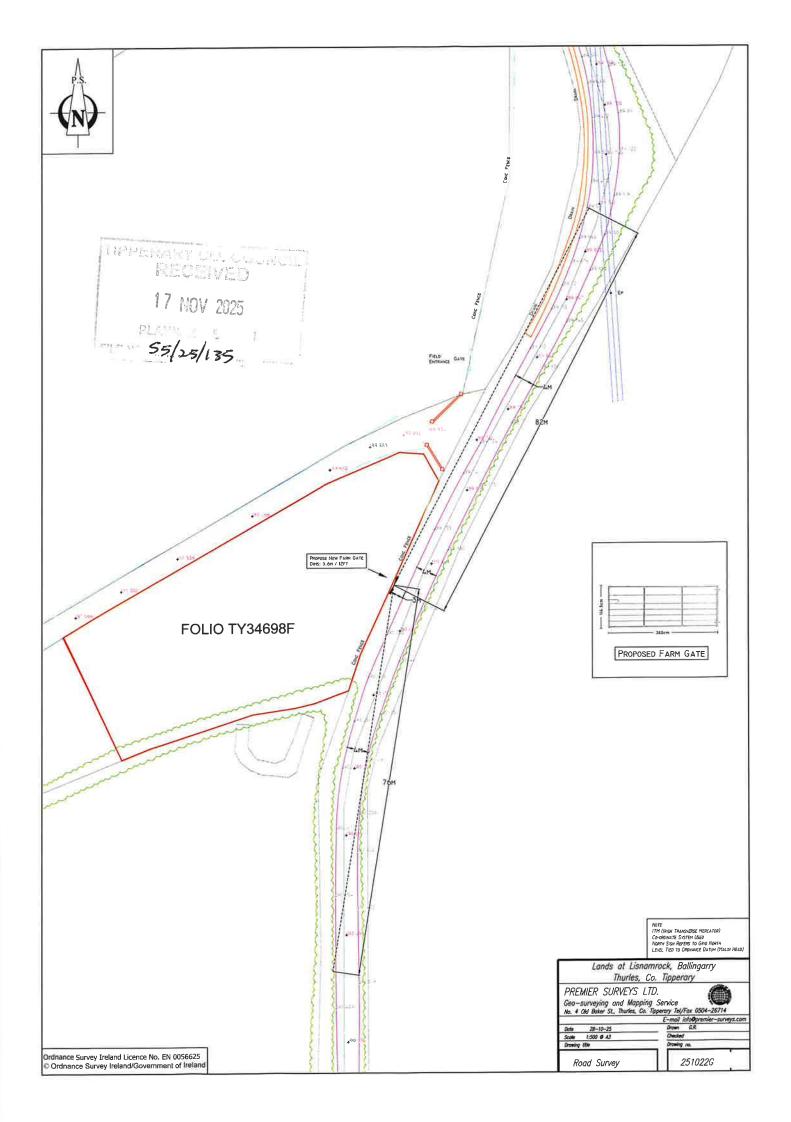
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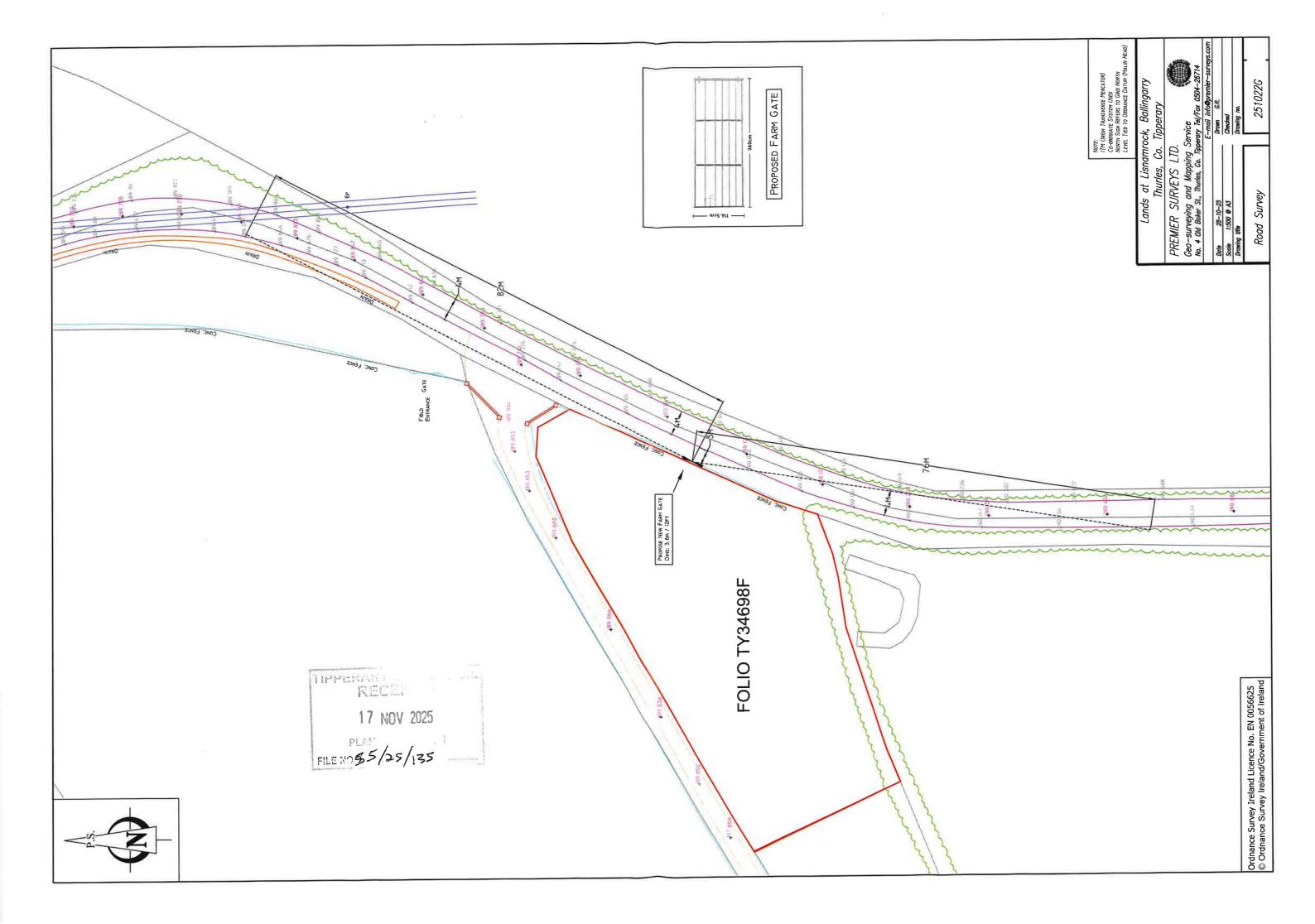
Yours sincerely

for Director of Services

Kenn Gue Lodge, Tipperary County Council RECEIVED Middleron Part, Kilhugh, Civic Offices, Nenagh Casherown-Ceo Hullingar. NW. 14th Apriculturel Envance er The Choler, Coolsrook, E41NT20 Folio: Ty 34698F Dear Sidhan (for Director of Services) Resolve the following information of you requested in letter dated 11 Mz Nov. 2025 re Application for Section & Declaration of new agricultural Enviorce or the Photet, Coalbrook Knowsed Site Loyour Plan showing moposed location of experientivel enviance. positoreto be located.

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(ii) the development is authorised, or is required to be authorised, by or under any enactment (whether the authorisation takes the form of the grant of a licence, consent, approval or any other type of authorisation) where the enactment concerned requires there to be consultation (howsoever described) with members of the public in relation to the proposed development prior to the granting of the authorisation (howsoever described).

Section 4(4) states that notwithstanding paragraphs 9a0, (i), (ia) and (l) of subsection (1) and any regulations under subsection (2), development shall not be exempted development if an environmental impact assessment or an appropriate assessment of the development is required.

Section 4 (4) of the Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended, states as follows:-

4. (4) Notwithstanding paragraphs (a), (i), (ia) and (l) of subsection (1) and any regulations under subsection (2), development shall not be exempted development if an environmental impact assessment or an appropriate assessment of the development is required.

Planning and Development Regulations 2001, as amended

Article 6 of the Planning and Development Regulations 2001, as amended states:

Exempted Development.

- 6. (1) Subject to article 9, development of a class specified in column 1 of Part 1 of Schedule 2 shall be exempted development for the purposes of the Act, provided that such development complies with the conditions and limitations specified in column 2 of the said Part 1 opposite the mention of that class in the said column 1.
- (3) Subject to article 9, in areas other than a city, a town or an area specified in section 19(1)(b) of the Act or the excluded areas as defined in section 9 of the Local Government (Reorganisation) Act, 1985 (No. 7 of 1985), development of a class specified in column 1 of Part 3 of Schedule 2 shall be exempted development for the purposes of the Act, provided that such development complies with the conditions and limitations specified in column 2 of the said Part 3 opposite the mention of that class in the said column 1.

Class 9 of Part 1 of Schedule 2 of the Planning and Development Regulations 2001, as amended states:

Sundry Works

Class 9

The construction, erection, renewal or replacement, other than within or bounding the curtilage of a house, of any gate or gateway.

Conditions and Limitations

1.

The height of any such structure shall not exceed 2 metres.

Class 11 of Part 1 of Schedule 2 of the Planning and Development Regulations 2001, as amended states:

Class 11

The construction, erection, lowering, repair or replacement, other than within or bounding the curtilage of a house, of –

- (a) any fence (not being a hoarding or sheet metal fence), or
- (b) any wall of brick, stone, blocks with decorative finish, other concrete blocks or mass concrete.

Conditions and Limitations

1.

The height of any new structure shall not exceed 1.2 metres or the height of the structure being replaced, whichever is the greater, and in any event shall not exceed 2 metres.

2.

Every wall, other than a dry or natural stone wall, constructed or erected bounding a road shall be capped and the face of any wall of concrete or concrete blocks (other than blocks of a decorative finish) which will be visible from any road, path or public area, including a public open space, shall be rendered or plastered.

Class 13

The repair or improvement of any private street, road or way, being works carried out on land within the boundary of the street, road or way, and the construction of any private footpath or paving.

Conditions and Limitations

1.

The width of any such private footpath or paving shall not exceed 3 metres.

3. ASSESSMENT

a. Site Location

The site is located at The Chalet, Coalbrook, Thurles Co. Tipperary E41NT20. The site is part of a larger agricultural field and is served by the L-2110-2 Local Primary Road.

b. Relevant Planning History

None relevant.

Planning Reference: 00612. Permission Granted for a dwelling house, entrance and septic tank system on 29/01/2001. -Relates to adjoining site to east.

c. Assessment

A) "Is or is not Development"

Having considered all of the details and documentation on file with regards the question asked the Planning Authority is satisfied that the proposal would involve "works" and such works would constitute "development" within the meaning of Section 3 of the Act.

B) "Is or is not Exempted Development"

In order to assess the proposal against planning exemptions further information should be sought regarding the location, height and dimensions of the proposed entrance and the materials/finishes of the entrance.

C) Restrictions under Article 9

Will be examined should an exemption under Article 6 be confirmed.

D) Requirement for Appropriate Assessment and Environmental Impact Assessment

AA

An Appropriate Assessment Screening has been undertaken that determines AA is not required.

EIA

The proposal is not a category of development that requires EIA.

4. RECOMMENDATION

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

Therefore, it is recommended that the following further information is sought from the applicant:

- 1. The applicant is requested to submit, for the consideration of the Planning Authority a Site Layout Plan (scale 1:500) showing the proposed location of the agricultural entrance. The Site Layout Plan shall include dimensions of the site entrance width and shall specify clearly where the entrance gate posts are to be located and any entrance fencing or walls. In addition, the site layout plan shall indicate the public road width at the entrance location
- 2. The applicant is required to submit, for the consideration of the Planning Authority, plans and elevations of the proposed agricultural entrance drawn to a scale of not less than 1:200. The drawings shall indicate the height and proposed finishes of the agricultural entrance.

Advice Note: Where the public roadway width onto which the entrance opens is wider than 4 metres a planning exemption cannot be availed of.

Eon Buckley.
Signed:

Date: 10/11/2025

Signed: Jonathan Flood

Date: 10/11/2025

5. FURTHER INFORMATION

Two points of further information were requested from the applicant in a letter dated 11/11/2025. The FI request is outlined below in italics with assessment under same in bold.

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A site layout plan has been submitted that shows the new entrance location. The entrance is to open onto the L-2110 The block title on the drawing states same is to a scale of 1:500. The drawings indicate road with of 4 metres at the location of the proposed entrance

The site was inspected on 3/12/2025 by Eoin Buckley-Graduate Planner to confirm the road width. Measurements taken of the road width show same to be 4.35 metres.

2. The applicant is required to submit, for the consideration of the Planning Authority, plans and elevations of the proposed agricultural entrance drawn to a scale of not less than 1:200. The drawings shall indicate the height and proposed finishes of the agricultural entrance.

A drawing of the proposed farm gate plans and elevations has been submitted. The gate and gate post height are shown to be 1.5 metres.

The proposed gate can be considered to come within the planning exemption under Class 9 of the Planning and Regulations 2001, as amended. Class 9 provides an exemption for the construction, erection, renewal or replacement, other than within or bounding the curtilage of a house, of any gate or gateway.

The gate height is less than 2 metres and therefore meets condition/limitation 1 of Class 9.

Article 9 (1) (a) of the of the Planning and Regulations 2001, as amended sets out restrictions on exemptions and states development to which Article 6 relates shall not be exempted development for the purposes of the Act if the carrying out of such development would

(ii) consist of or comprise the formation, laying out or material widening of a means of access to a public road the surfaced carriageway of which exceeds 4 metres in width,

As the proposal consists of the formation of a means of access to a public road the surface carriageway of which exceeds 4 metres the exemption under Class 9 is restricted.

Section 4 (4) of the Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended, states as follows:-

(4) Notwithstanding paragraphs (a), (i), (ia) and (l) of subsection (1) and any regulations under subsection (2), development shall not be exempted development if an environmental impact assessment or an appropriate assessment of the development is required

See attached AA Screening and EIA pre screening. Neither AA or EIA are required.

6. RECOMMENDATION

A question has arisen as to whether the following proposal to be undertaken at The Chalet, Coalbrook, Thurles Co. Tipperary E41NT20 is development and is or is not exempted development:

A new agricultural entrance

Tipperary County Council, in considering this referral, had regard particularly to -

- (a) Sections 2, 3 and 4 of the Planning & Development Act, 2000, as amended,
- (b) Articles 6 and 9 of the Planning & Development Act, 2000, as amended,
- (c) Class 9 of Part 1 of Schedule 2 of the Planning & Development Regulations 2001, as amended,
- (d) The declaration application and supporting information, including further information,

Tipperary County Council has concluded that the formation of a new agricultural entrance onto the L 2110 constitutes "development" within the meaning of the Planning and Development Act 2000 as amended and is **NOT exempted development**.

Reasons: The proposal involves the formation of a new entrance to a public road, the surfaced carriageway of this road measures 4.3 metres in width. Article 9 (1) (a) of the of the Planning and Regulations 2001, as amended sets out restrictions on exemptions and states development to which Article 6 relates shall not be exempted development for the purposes of the Act if the carrying out of such development would

(ii) consist of or comprise the formation, laying out or material widening of a means of access to a public road the surfaced carriageway of which exceeds 4 metres in width

Accordingly the proposal is not exempted development

Eoin Buckley
Planner:

Senior Executive Planner:

Date: 03/12/2025

Date: 3/12/2025

HABITATS DIRECTIVE APPROPERIATE ASSESSMENT (AA) SCREENING REPORT

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

(a) File Reference No:	S5/25/135
(b) Brief description of the project of plan:	As per planners report.
(c) Brief description of site characteristics:	As per planners report.
(d) Relevant prescribed bodies consulted: e.g. DHLGH (NPWS), EPA, OPW	None
(e) Response to consultation:	N/a. No referrals made.

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

European Site (code)	List of Qualifying Interest/Special Conservation Interest ¹	Distance from proposed development ² (km)	Connections (Source- Pathway- Receptor)	Considered further in screening Y/N
002162 River Barrow and River Nore	https://www.npws.ie/p rotected- sites/sac/002162	Within 10km	None	No
002137 Lower River Suir	https://www.npws.ie/p rotected- sites/sac/002137	Within 15km	None	No
000407 The Loughlans	https://www.npws.ie/p rotected- sites/sac/000407	Within 15km	None	No

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 soi excavation/infill/landscaping (including borrow pits) Dust, noise, vibration Lighting disturbance Impact on groundwater/dewatering 	

Storage of excavated/construction materialsAccess to sitePests	
 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 	No impacts
In-combination/Other	No impacts
(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 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 	No impacts
(c) Are 'mitigation' measures necessary to react can be ruled out at screening?	ach a conclusion that likely significant effects
☐ Yes ⊠ No	
STEP 4. Screening Determination Statement	

The assessment of significance of effects:

Describe how the proposed development (alone or in-combination) is/is **not likely** to have **significant** effects on European site(s) in view of its conservation objectives.

On the basis of the information on file, which is considered adequate to undertake a screening determination and having regard to:

- the nature and scale of the proposed development,
- the proposed land use and distance from European sites,
- the lack of direct connections with regard to the Source-Pathway-Receptor model,

it is concluded that the proposed development, individually or in-combination with other plans or projects is not likely to have significant effects on the above listed European sites or any other European site, in view of the said sites' conservation objectives.

An appropriate assessment is not, therefore, required.

Conclusion:				
	Tick as Appropriate:	Recomm	endation:	
(i) It is clear that there is no likelihood of significant effects on a European site.			-	be screened out: ent not required.
(ii) It is uncertain whether the proposal will have a significant effect on a European site.		screer		ormation to complete
(iii) Significant effects are likely.			est NIS e planning pe	ermission
Signature and Date of Recommending Officer:	Eoin Buckley, P	lanner	Date:	3/12/2025

EIA Pre-Screening Establishing a development is a 'sub-threshold development'			
File Reference:	S5/25/135		
Development Summary: As per planners report			
Was a Screening Determination carried out under Section 176A-C?	☐Yes, no further action required ☐No, Proceed to Part A		
A. Schedule 5 Part 1 - Does the devel Planning and Developmen (Tick as appropriate)		oject listed in Schedule 5, Part 1 , of the 2001 (as amended)?	
☐Yes, specify class		s mandatory Screening required	
⊠No		eed to Part B	
B. Schedule 5 Part 2 - Does the development comprise a project listed in Schedule 5, Part 2 , of the Planning and Development Regulations 2001 (as amended) and does it meet/exceed the thresholds? (Tick as appropriate)			
No, the development is not a project listed in Schedule 5, Part 2 No Screening required No Screening requ			
Yes the project is listed in Schedule 5, Part 2 and meets/exceeds the threshold, specify class (including		EIA is mandatory	
threshold):	,	No Screening required	
Yes the project is of a type listed but is <i>sub-threshold</i> :		Proceed to Part C	
C. If Yes, has Schedule 7A information/	screening report been	submitted?	
submitted by the applicant		Screening Determination required Preliminary Examination required	



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Date: 4th December, 2025 Our Ref: S5/25/135 Civic Offices, Nenagh

Kay Kilroy
Front Gate Lodge
Middleton Park
Kilhugh
Castletown Geogheean
Mullingar
Co. Westmeath

Re: Declaration under Section 5 of the Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended.

Dear Ms Kilroy,

I refer to your application for a Section 5 Declaration received on 22nd October, 2025, and Further Information received on 17th November, 2025 in relation to the following proposed works:

A new agricultural entrance at The Chalet, Coalbrook, Thurles, Co Tipperary E41NT20

WHEREAS a question has arisen as to whether the proposed development is or is not exempted development:

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Accordingly the proposal is **not exempted development**

NOTE: Any person issued with a Declaration of a Planning Authority may refer the Declaration for review to An Coimisiún Pleanála, 64 Marlborough Street, Dublin 1, within four (4) weeks of the date of issue of the Declaration and on payment of the prescribed fee.

Yours sincerely

for **Director of Services**

Siobha Rye

Original

TIPPERARY COUNTY COUNCIL

DELEGATED EMPLOYEE'S ORDER

File Ref: S5/25/135	Delegated Employee's Order No:

SUBJECT: Section 5 Declaration

I, Brian Beck, Director of Services, Tipperary County Council, by virtue of the powers delegated to me in accordance with the provisions of Section 154 of the Local Government Act 2001, as amended by Schedule 1, Part 1 of the Local Government Reform Act 2014 under Chief Executive's Order No. 44188 dated 3rd October, 2025, hereby order that pursuant to the provisions of the Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended, that an application under Section 5 from Kay Kilroy, Front Gate Lodge, Middleton Park, Kilhugh, Castletown Geogheean, Mullingar, Co. Westmeath re: A new agricultural entrancell at The Chalet, Coalbrook, Thurles, Co Tipperary E41NT20 is development and is exempted development.

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Signed:

Brian Beck Director of Services

_____ Date: 04/12/2025