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10/03/2022

RE: Section 5 Declaration R703/22 Irish Pioneer Works, Kinsale Road, Cork

A Chara,

With reference to your request for a Section 5 Declaration at the above named property, I wish to advise as follows:

In view of the above and having regard to —

Articles 7 and to Class 22, Schedule 2, Part 1 of the Planning and Development Regulations 2001 (as amended), sections 2, 3 and 4 of the Planning and Development Act 2000 (as amended),

it is considered that the construction of this underground storm water attenuation tank at Irish Pioneer Works, Kinsale Road Industrial Estate, Kinsale Road, constitutes development within the meaning of the Planning and Development Act, 2000 (as amended) and is exempted development.

The development is development and is exempted development.

Is misa le meas,

**Kerry Bergin** 

Development Management Section
Community, Culture and Placemaking Directorate

**Cork City Council** 

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Planner's Report File ref: R 703/22 Cork City Council Development Management Planning & Development

Description:

Construction of a 520m3 underground stormwater attenuation tank

Applicant:

Irish Pioneer Works (IPW)

Location:

Irish Pioneer Works, Kinsale Road, Cork

Date:

08/03/2022

#### **SUMMARY OF RECOMMENDATION**

Constitutes development; is exempted development

#### **PURPOSE OF REPORT**

This report relates to a request for a declaration under Section 5(1) of the Planning Act ("Request for a Declaration) regarding whether the replacement of existing underground fuel storage tanks is or is not exempted development in terms of the meaning assigned to "development" in the Planning and Development Act, 2000 (as amended).

#### **DESCRIPTION OF SITE**

The site subject to the Section 5 referral is located within the Kindal Road Industrial Estate, Kinsale Road, Cork. The applicant is Irash Pioneer Works who provide Steel Fabrication, Galvanizing and Engineering Services in Cork and Ireland.

#### **PLANNING HISTORY**

Subject site:

031553 - Permitted extension to an individual unit 3, Kinsale Industrial Estate, Kinsale Rd, Cork.

**045479** – Permitted 2 storey extension to premise

194854 – Permitted 1no single storey CNG (compressed natural gas) compressor installation with a floor area of 21m2, 1no covered shelter with a floor area of 12m2 and 57m of 2.9m high boundary wall and associated ground works.

#### **DEVELOPMENT PLAN POLICY**

The site is located in an 'Existing Built Up Area' as identified in the Ballincollig Carrigaline Municipal District Local Area Plan 2017. This LAP is part of the Cork County Development Plan 2014.

#### **DETAILS OF WORKS**

Per the Request for Declaration, the proposed works that are the subject of this declaration comprise of:

Construction of a 520m3 underground stormwater attenuation tank

#### STATUTORY PROVISIONS

The exemption status of the subject works and use is appropriately assessed by the following provisions:

- Section 3(1) of the Planning and Development Act, 2000 2007 ("the Act") establishes that
  development means "except where the context otherwise requires, the carrying out of any
  works on, in, over or under land or the making of any material change in the use of any
  - structures or other land."
- Section 2(1) of the Act establishes that works "includes any act or operation of construction, excavation, demolition, extension, alteration, repair or renewal and, in relation to a protected structure or proposed protected structure, includes any act or operation involving the application or removal of plaster, paint, wallpaper, tiles or other material to or from the surfaces of the interior or exterior of a structure."
- Section 4(1)(h) establishes that "The following shall be exempted developments for the
  purposes of this Act.... development consisting of the carrying out of works for the
  maintenance, improvement or other alteration of any structure, being works which affect only
  the interior of the structure or which do not materially affect the external appearance of the
  structure so as to render the appearance inconsistent with the character of the structure or
  of neighbouring structures;
- Section 4(2) of the Act provides that the Minister may make regulations that provide for exempted development.
- Article 6(1) of the Planning and Development Regulations, 2001 to 2009 ("the Regulations")
   establishes that, subject to other specified conditions and limitations, classes of development
   specified in Schedule 2, Part 1 of the Regulations constitute exempted development.

#### ASSESSMENT

Assessment under Section 5(1) of the Act is a two-part process. Firstly, it must be determined whether the works in question constitute development. Secondly, it must be determined whether the works constitute exempted development or not.

I consider that the installation of the underground stormwater attenuation tank constitutes "development," having regard to:

- the definition of development set out in Section 3(1) of the Act (which includes "the carrying out of any works...under land")
- the definition of "works" as set out in Section 2(1) of the Act (which includes any act of construction or excavation).

The applicant sets out the assertion in the application that the development is exempted having regard to the following in the Planning and Development Regulations, 2001 (as amened):

In Part 2, Article 7 which stated that "development under other enactments" i.e.

"(1) Works consisting of or incidental to the carrying out of development referred to in section 86(8) of the Environmental Protection Agency Act 1992 (No.7 of 1992), as amended for the

purpose of giving effect to a condition attached to a licence or revised licence granted by the Environmental Protection Agency under Part IV of the said Act shall be exempted development".

(2) Works consisting of or incidental to the carrying out of development referred to in section 54(4) (a) of the Waste Management Act, 1996 (No. 10 of 1996) for the purpose of giving effect to a condition attached to a licence or revised licence granted by the Environmental Protection Agency under Part V of the said Act shall be exempted development".

The applicant also asserts that the development is exempted development having regard to Class 22, Schedule 2, Part 1 of the Planning and Development Regulations, 2001 (as amended) which states:

#### Development for Industrial Purposes

Storage within the curtilage of an industrial building, in connection with the industrial process carried on in the building, of raw materials, products, packing materials or fuel, or the deposit of waste arising from the industrial process.

The raw materials, products, packing materials, fuel or waste stored shall not be visible from any public road contiguous or adjacent to the curtilage of the industrial building.

Applying these findings to the subject Request for a Declaration,

 I concur with the applicant's submission that the construction of this underground storm water attenuation tank is exempted development based on the provision of the planning regulations as set out above.

#### RECOMMENDATION

Having regard to the provisions of:

Articles 7 and to Class 22, Schedule 2, Part 1 of the Planning and Development Regulations 2001 (as amended), sections 2, 3 and 4 of the Planning and Development Act 2000 (as amended), it is considered that the construction of this underground storm water attenuation tank at Irish Pioneer Works, Kinsale Road Industrial Estate, Kinsale Road, constitutes development within the meaning of the Planning and Development Act, 2000 (as amended) and is exempted development.

The development is development and is exempted development.

**Gwen Jordan McGee** Senior Executive Planner 09.03.2022





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31 January 2022

#### Re: Irish Pioneer Works, Section 5 Declaration Application

Dear Sirs,

On behalf of our Client Irish Pioneer Works, we attach a section 5 declaration application form together with relevant drawings and €80 fee.

In August/September 2018 Irish Pioneer Works (IPW) constructed a 520m3 underground stormwater attenuation tank on their site at Kinsale road, Eircode T12 K7 XR. Please see attached urban place map showing site location and location of the attenuation tank and also Drawing No 1237-CE-25 showing details of the tank.

The attenuation tank was constructed solely to enable IPW to comply with a requirement of their EPA discharge License to reduce the level of Zinc in the rainwater runoff from the site. IPW store newly galvanised products in their yard and this can give rise to elevated levels of zinc in the rainwater runoff. Using the Attenuation tank, IPW now collect all rainwater from their open yard area and roofs and discharge it to the Tramore valley sewer (which crosses the site) at a maximum zinc content and flow rate as agreed with Irish Water and the EPA. This means that rainwater from the site no longer discharges to the adjacent Tramore river.

IPW were of the opinion that the construction of the Attenuation tank was an Exempted development under

"Planning & Development Regulations, 2001. Part 2 Section 7 Development under other enactments.

(1) Works consisting of or incidental to the carrying out of development referred to in <u>section 84</u> (4) (a) of the <u>Environmental Protection Agency Act</u>, 1992 (No. 7 of 1992) for the purpose of giving effect to a condition attached to a licence or revised licence granted by the

Environmental Protection Agency under Part IV of the said Act shall be exempted development.

(2) Works consisting of or incidental to the carrying out of development referred to in <u>section 54</u> (4) (a) of the <u>Waste Management Act, 1996</u> (No. 10 of 1996) for the purpose of giving effect to a condition attached to a licence or revised licence granted by the Environmental Protection Agency under Part V of the said Act shall be exempted development.

And
Schedule 2 Part 1 – Exempted developments - General
Class 22

Storage within the curtilage of an industrial building, in connection with the industrial process carried on in the building, of raw materials, products, packing materials or fuel, or the deposit of waste arising from the industrial process.

The raw materials, products, packing materials, fuel or waste stored shall not be visible from any public road contiguous or adjacent to the curtilage of the industrial building.

Irish Pioneer Works are now seeking a Section 5 Declaration for the Attenuation tank and enclose relevant documents.

Yours Sincerely,

Pat O'Leary BJS Consultants

Civil and Structural Engineers





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# SECTION 5 DECLARATION APPLICATION FORM

under Section 5 of the Planning & Development Acts 2000 (as amended)

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T12 K7 XR.

## 2. QUESTION/ DECLARATION DETAILS

PLEASE STATE THE SPECIFIC QUESTION FOR WHICH A DECLARATION IS SOUGHT:
Sample Question:  Is the construction of a shed at No 1 Wall St, Cork development and if so, is it exempted development?
Note: only works listed and described under this section will be assessed under the section 5 declaration.
THE CONSTRUCTION OF A SZO M3 LINDGOCADURA
STORMWATER ATTENUATION TANK AT IRISH PIONEER WORKS, KINSALE ROAD, COPK TIZ KT XR.
ADDITIONAL DETAILS REGARDING QUESTION/ WORKS/ DEVELOPMENT:  (Use additional sheets if required).  THE PTRAINATION TANK WAS CONSTRUCTED SOFLY TO
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3,	If so please supply details:							
4.	Is this a Protected Structure or within the curtilage of a Protected Structure?   NO  If yes, has a Declaration under Section 57 of the Planning & Development Act 2000 been requested or issued for the property by the Planning Authority?							
5.	5. Was there previous relevant planning application/s on this site?   If so please supply details:							
6. APPLICATION DETAILS								
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8. LEC	SAL INTEREST							
Plea	se tick appropriate box to show applicant' I interest in the land or structure	s A. Owner	B. Other					
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If yo	ou are not the legal owner, please state the and address of the owner if available							
	We confirm that the information contain ature:	ed in the application is	true and accurate:					
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#### **CONTACT DETAILS**

#### 10. Applicant:

Name(s)	1 RISH PIONEER WORKS
Address	MINSALE ROAD
	COPK
	712 H7 XR

### 11. Person/Agent acting on behalf of the Applicant (if any):

Name(s):	1335 CONSULTANTS				
Address:					
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#### 12. ADDITIONAL CONTACT DETAILS

The provision of additional contact information such as email addresses or phone numbers is voluntary and will only be used by the Planning Authority to contact you should it be deemed necessary for the purposes of administering the application.

#### **ADVISORY NOTES:**

The application must be accompanied by the required fee of €80

The application should be accompanied by a site location map which is based on the Ordnance Survey map for the area, is a scale not less than 1:1000 and it shall clearly identify the site in question.

Sufficient information should be submitted to enable the Planning Authority to make a decision. If applicable, any plans submitted should be to scale and based on an accurate survey of the lands/structure in question.

The application should be sent to the following address:

The Development Management Section, Community, Culture & Placemaking Directorate, Cork City Council, City Hall, Anglesea Street, Cork.

- The Planning Authority may require further information to be submitted to enable the authority to issue the declaration.
- The Planning Authority may request other person(s) other than the applicant to submit information on the question which has arisen and on which the declaration is sought.
- Any person issued with a declaration may on payment to An Bord Pleanála refer a declaration for review by the Board within 4 weeks of the date of the issuing of the declaration.
- In the event that no declaration is issued by the Planning Authority, any person who made a request may on payment to the Board of such a fee as may be prescribed, refer the question for decision to the Board within 4 weeks of the date that a declaration was due to be issued by the Planning Authority.

The application form and advisory notes are non-statutory documents prepared by Cork City Council for the purpose of advising as to the type information is normally required to enable the Planning Authority to issue a declaration under Section 5. This document does not purport to be a legal interpretation of the statutory legislation nor does it state to be a legal requirement under the Planning and Development Act 2000 as amended, or Planning and Development Regulations 2001 as amended.

#### DATA PROTECTION

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We request that you read these as they contain important information about how we process personal data.

- 1. Plan, drawings and maps accompanying an application for a Section 5 Declaration on exempted development shall all be in metric scale and comply with the following requirements:-
- \* NOTE 2 COPIES OF PLANS AND PARTICULARS ARE REQUIRED
- (a) site or layout plans shall be drawn to a scale of not less than 1:500 (which shall be indicated thereon), the site boundary shall be clearly delineated in red, and buildings, roads, boundaries, septic tanks and percolation areas, bored wells, significant tree stands and other features on, adjoining or in the vicinity of the land or structure to which the application relates shall be shown, land which adjoins, abuts or is adjacent to the land to be developed and which is under the control of the applicant or the person who owns the land, which is subject of the application, shall be outlined in blue and wayleaves shall be shown in yellow.
- (b) other plans, elevations and sections shall be drawn to a scale of not less than 1:200 (which shall be indicated thereon), or such scale as may be agreed with the Planning Authority prior to the submission of the application in any particular case,
- (c) the site layout plan and other plans shall show the level or contours, where applicable, of any land and the proposed structures relative to Ordnance survey datum or a temporary local benchmark,
- (d) drawings of elevations of any proposed structure shall show the main features of any buildings which would be contiguous to the proposed structure if it were erected, whether on the application site or in the vicinity at a scale of not less than 1:200, as may be appropriate,
- (e) plans relating to works comprising reconstruction, alteration or extension of a structure shall be so marked or coloured as to distinguish between the existing structure and the works proposed,
- (f) plans and drawings of floor plans, elevations and sections shall indicate in figures the principal dimensions (including overall height) of any proposed structure and the site, and site layout plans shall indicate the distances of any such structure from the boundaries of the site,
- (g) any map or plan which is based on an Ordnance Survey map shall indicate the relevant Ordnance survey sheet number,
- (h) the north point shall be indicated on all maps and plans other than drawings of elevations and sections,
- (i) plans and drawings shall indicate the name and address of the person by whom they were prepared.
- 2. An application for development consisting of or comprising the carrying out of works to a protected structure, or proposed protected structure or to the exterior of a structure which is located within an architectural conservation area in a draft of a proposed development plan or a proposed variation of a development plan, shall, in addition to meeting the requirements above, be accompanied by such photographs, plans and other particulars as are necessary to show how the development would affect the character of the structure.
- 3. A planning authority may, by notice in writing, require an applicant to provide additional copies of any plan, drawing, map, photograph or other particular, which accompanies the application.





