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#### SECTION 5 DECLARATION APPLICATION FORM

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

1.	<b>POSTAL</b>	<b>ADDRESS</b>	OF LAND	OR STRUCTURE	FOR WHICH	<b>DECLARATION IS SO</b>	UGHT
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Is the construction of a shed at No 1 Wall St, Cork development and if so, is it

PLEASE STATE THE SPECIFIC QUESTION FOR WHICH A DECLARATION IS SOUGHT:

BURKES LANE RESERVOIR WHITE'S CROSS CORK

## 2. QUESTION/ DECLARATION DETAILS

Sample Question:

exempted development?	
Note: only works listed and described under this section will be assessed under t	he section 5 declaration.
IS THE REPLACEMENT OF EXISTING RESER	voir at BURKES
LANE, WHITES CROSS AN EXEMPTED DEVE	LOMMENT?
ADDITIONAL DETAILS REGARDING QUESTION/ WORKS/ DEVELOPMEN	Т:
(Use additional sheets if required).	
PROPOSAL TO REPLACE EXISTING RES	
SIMILAR STRUCTURE, REPLACE LIKE FOR	LIKE.
EXISTING RESERVOIR = 10m diamoter, 5m high	
PROPOSED RESERVOIR = 10m diamete, 5m his	gh
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## 3. APPLICATION DETAILS

Answer the following if applicable. Note: Floor areas are measured from the inside of the external walls and should be indicated in square meters (sq. M)

(a) Floor area of existi	ng/proposed structi		C = 10M dia $D = 10M$ dia		
location after 1 <sup>st</sup> O	res been erected at ctober, 1964, (inclu permission has bee	this ding those	Yes [	No ase provide floor	
(c) If concerning a cha	nge of use of land a	nd / or buildi	ng(s), plea	se state the follo	owing:
Existing/ previous use (plea	ase circle)	Proposed	existing us	se (please circle)	
	/			<del>,/</del>	
Applicants Address		7			
Person/Agent acting on					,
behalf of the Applicant (if any):					
	Telephone:				
	Fax:				
	E-mail address:	-			
Should all correspondence (Please note that if the answer is 'No address)				s 🔽	No 🗌

# 5. LEGAL INTEREST

Please tick appropriate box to show applicant's legal interest in the land or structure	A. Owner	B. Other
Where legal interest is 'Other', please state your interest in the land/structure in question		
If you are not the legal owner, please state the name and address of the owner if available		

Signature: _		Do	rul	Callins	 		
Date:	9	/3	120				

6. I / We confirm that the information contained in the application is true and accurate:

#### **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, Strategic Planning & Economic Development 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.

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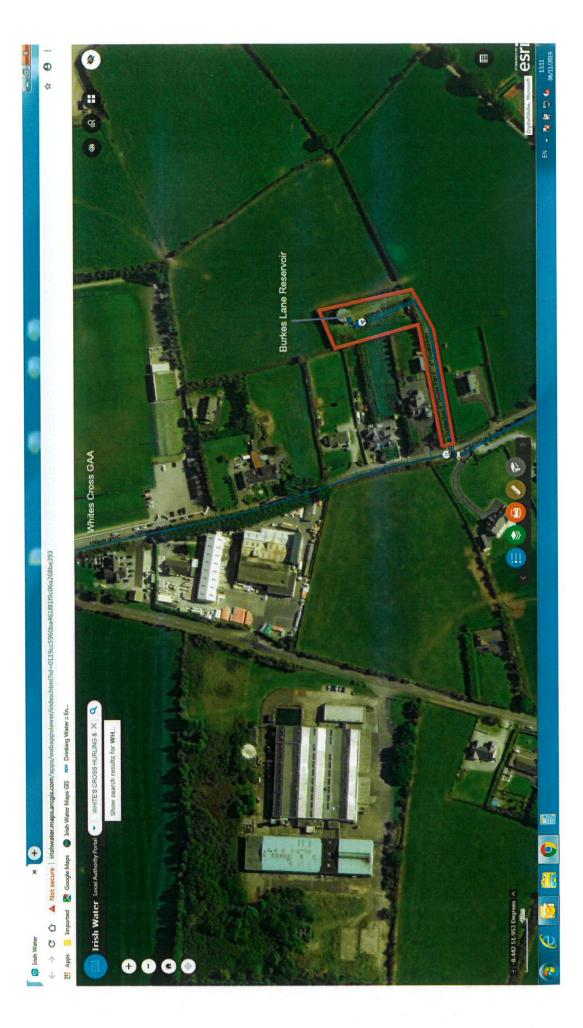
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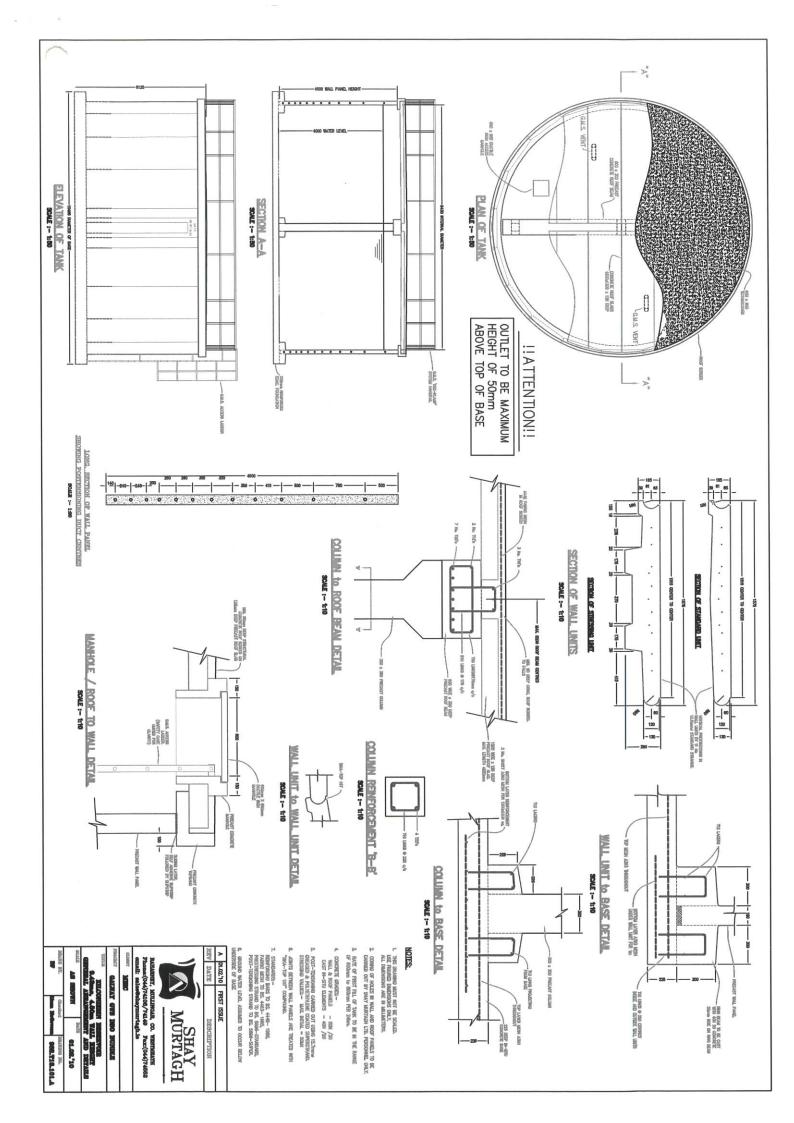
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PLANNER'S REPO	Cork City Council Culture, Community and			
Ref. R569/20		Placemaking		
Application type	Section 5 Declaration			
Description	Is the replacement of existing reservoir at Burkes exempted development?	s Lane, Whites Cross an		
Location	Burkes Lane Reservoir, Whites Cross			
Applicant	Irish Water c/o Donal Collins			
Date	11/03/2020			
Recommendation	Recommendation Is Development and Is Exempted Development			

In this report 'the Act' means the Planning and Development Act 2000 (as amended) and 'the Regulations' means the Planning and Development Regulations 2001 (as amended), unless otherwise indicated.

#### 1. Requirements for a Section 5 Declaration

Section 5(1) of the Planning and Development Act 2000 as amended states,

5.—(1) If any question arises as to what, in any particular case, is or is not development or is or is not exempted development within the meaning of this Act, any person may, on payment of the prescribed fee, request in writing from the relevant planning authority a declaration on that question, and that person shall provide to the planning authority any information necessary to enable the authority to make its decision on the matter.

The requirements for making a section 5 declaration are set out in the Act.

#### 2. The Question before the Planning Authority

In framing the question to the planning authority, the applicant states in Q2 of the application form:

Is the replacement of existing reservoir at Burkes Lane, Whites Cross an exempted development?

In addition the applicant states the following in response to Q3:

Proposal to replace existing reservoir with similar structure, replace like for like. Existing Reservoir = 10m diameter, 5m high Proposed Reservoir = 10m diameter, 5m high

Plans showing the proposed circular tank were submitted with the application.

## 3. Site Description

The property in question is located in the townland of Ballinvriskig, located on the northern edge of the Cork City Council administrative area. The site is located in a rural area, to the south of the Whites Cross GAA grounds and to the west of a number of single site houses.

The existing reservoir on site is circular and is stated to have the same dimensions as the replacement reservoir.

#### 4. Planning History - None

## 5. Legislative Provisions

#### 5.1 The Act

## Section 2(1)

"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 3(1)

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

### Section 4(1)(h)

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 177U (9)** (screening for appropriate assessment)

In deciding upon a declaration or a referral under section 5 of this Act a planning authority or the Board, as the case may be, shall where appropriate, conduct a screening for appropriate assessment in accordance with the provisions of this section.

#### 5.2 The Regulations

#### Article 4 (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

#### Article 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.

#### Article 9 (1)

Development to which article 6 relates shall not be exempted development for the purposes of the Act – (a) (i) if the carrying out of such development would... contravene a condition attached to a permission under the Act or be inconsistent with any use specified in a permission under the Act,

(a) (viii) consist of or comprise the extension, alteration, repair or renewal of an unauthorised structure or a structure the use of which is an unauthorised use,

#### Part 1 of Schedule 2

Column 1	Column 2				
Description of Development	Conditions and Limitations				
Class 58	The upgrading of any such structure shall not				
Development by Irish Water, for the purpose of the	increase the existing floor area by more than 10%				

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provision of water services, consisting of one or more of the following:

and the height of the upgraded structure shall not exceed the current height of existing structures.

(g) the upgrade of existing water or waste water structures, or both, within existing site boundaries

or the alteration or repair of any structure or its replacement with a similar structure

#### 6. ASSESSMENT

## 6.1 Development

The first issue for consideration is whether or not the matter at hand is 'development'.

'Development' as defined in the Act (3)(1) comprises two possible chief components: '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'. In order to ascertain whether or not the subject use is considered to be development as so defined, consideration must first be given to whether any works on, in, over or under land have or will be carried out.

'Works' is defined in section 2(1) of the Act as 'the carrying out of any works on, in, over, or under land' including '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. '.

I consider that the proposed replacement of the existing reservoir constitutes development.

#### 6.2 Exempted development

The next issue for consideration is whether or not the matter at hand is exempted development. I note that the subject reservoir is not a Protected Structure and does not form part of an Architectural Conservation Area.

There are no conditions set out in any parent permission that would limit alteration to the reservoir.

Following a review of the plans provided it is my opinion that the works exempted development in accordance with article 6 (1) of the Planning and Development Regulations 2001 (as amended) as the proposed development accords with the exemption as set out in Part 1, Schedule 2 of the same regulations.

### 7. ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT

## 7.1 Screening for Environmental Impact Assessment

Having regard to the contents of Article 103 (as amended by Article 14 of the Planning and Development (Amendment) (No 3) Regulations 2011) and Schedule 7 of the Planning and Development Regulations 2001 (as amended) it is considered that the proposed development by reason of its nature, scale and location would not be likely to have significant effects on the environment. Accordingly it is considered that an environmental impact statement is not required to be submitted.

## 7.2 Screening for Appropriate Assessment

Section 177U (9) of the Act requires planning authorities to screen applications for a section 5 declaration for appropriate assessment. The provisions of the Habitats Directive, the Appropriate Assessment Guidelines for Planning Authorities 2009 (revised 2010) and the Act are noted. The relevant European sites are the Cork Harbour SPA (site code 004030) and the Great Island Channel cSAC (site code 001058). Having regard to the location of the proposed development site relative to these European sites and related watercourses and to the nature and scale of the proposed development it is considered that the

proposed development would not affect the integrity of the European sites referred to above. Accordingly it is considered that appropriate assessment is not required.

#### 8. CONCLUSION

The question has been asked whether the replacement of existing reservoir at Burkes Lane, Whites Cross is an exempted development. Based on the particulars submitted with the application and the relevant legislation as set out above, it is considered that the proposed works constitute development and that said works are exempted development.

#### 9. RECOMMENDATION

In view of the above and having regard to Article 6(1), Class 58 as set out in Part 1 of Schedule 2 and having regarding to Article 9 of the *Planning and Development Regulations 2001* (as amended) it is considered that the replacement of existing reservoir at Burkes Lane, Whites Cross **Is Development** and is **Exempted Development**.

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