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Kildare County Council

**Notice under Section 177AE (4) (a) of the
Planning and Development Act 2000 as amended
(as inserted by Section 57 the Planning and Development
(Amendment) Act 2010)**

**Brooke Bridge, Monasterevin, Remediation Works
Application to An Bord Pleanála**

Kildare County Council hereby publishes this notice of its intention to carry out remediation works on Brooke Bridge, Monasterevin.

Brooke Bridge is a single span masonry arch structure located on the L7049 local road at Ballykelly just north of Monasterevin. It is located over a watercourse that joins the Figile River 660m to the west of the bridge. It should be noted that 884m downstream of this connection with the Figile River, the River Barrow and River Nore SAC commences. There is therefore a direct pathway from the works to this SAC.

The works will consist of

- Replacement of soft grass verges with concrete rubbing strips with integrated drainage
- Raising of the existing road surface above the arch barrel by circa 100mm
- De-vegetation of parapet/spandrel walls and repointing of joints as a result
- Repair of missing/damaged sections of the parapet wall and copping
- De-vegetation of embankments
- Replacement of masonry in abutments and arch barrel including repointing of joints
- Stitch repair to crack in abutment and arch barrel
- Installation of fencing
- Removal of material that has built up in the riverbed upstream, bridge span and downstream

Notice is hereby given that Kildare County Council proposes to seek approval of An Bord Pleanála for the proposed works under Section 177AE (4) (a) of the Planning and Development Act 2000 as amended (as inserted by Section 57 the Planning and Development (Amendment) Act 2010).

A Natura Impact Statement (NIS) has been prepared in respect of the proposed works.

An Bord Pleanála may give approval to the application with or without conditions or may refuse the application.

A copy of the NIS and Project Particulars (including the EIA Screening) will be available for inspection at the following locations from **Wednesday, 9 June 2021 to Thursday, 22 July 2021 (inclusive):**

- The consultation website of Kildare County Council at: <https://consult.kildarecoco.ie/en/consultation/proposed-remediation-works-brooke-bridge-monasterevin-section-177ae-planning-application>.
- and www.gov.ie/en/consultations/.
- The offices of Kildare County Council, Level 4 at the address below Monday – Friday between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., **BY APPOINTMENT**. Appointments must be made in advance at <http://kildare.ie/countycouncil/OnlineBookingSystem/>.
- The offices of An Bord Pleanála, 64 Marlborough Street, Dublin 1, Monday – Friday during working hours. **Note:** Due to COVID-19, it is recommended that persons contact the office to arrange viewing of the application in advance (Phone: (01) 858 8100 or Lo-call 1890 275 175).

The NIS and Project Particulars may be inspected free of charge or purchased on payment of a specified fee (which shall not exceed the reasonable cost of making such copy).

Submissions or observations may be made in writing to **An Bord Pleanála, 64 Marlborough Street, Dublin 1, D01V902** before **Thursday, 22 July 2021** relating to;

- the implications of the proposed development for proper planning and sustainable development in the area concerned,
- the likely effects on the environment of the proposed development, and
- the likely significant effects of the proposed development on a European site, if carried out.

Any submissions or observations must be received by An Bord Pleanála not later than close of business on Thursday, 22 July 2021.

A person may question the validity of any such decision by the Board by way of an application for a judicial review under Order 84 of the Rules of the Superior Courts (S.I. no 15 of 1986) in accordance with Section 50 of the Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended.

Practical information on the review mechanism can be accessed under the heading Publications – Judicial Review Notice 2012 on the Board's website www.pleanala.ie or on the Citizens Information Service website www.citizensinformation.ie.

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Vanilla Ice to present BBC
podcase on Shergar kidnap

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US rapper Vanilla Ice is narrating a new BBC podcast on the kidnapping of champion racehorse Shergar from Ballymany Stud on the outskirts of Newbridge in the 1980s.

The musician, best known for his 1990 one hit wonder Ice Ice Baby, presents a seven-episode 'Sports Strangest Crimes' podcast, which features the disappearance of the prize-winning Kildare racehorse.

The rapper said he was fascinated by the disappearance, which remains unsolved.

Shergar, owned by the Aga Khan, is famous for winning the 1981 Epsom Derby by 10 lengths.

The BBC said their new podcast, Sports' Strangest Crimes, covers "money, sex, glamour, politics, extreme violence to humans and animals, accusations of terrorist links to Europe, the Middle East and USA and the kidnap of Shergar the super horse."

In 1983, Shergar was stolen from the stud and a ransom of £2 million was demanded, but it was not paid.

In 1999, Sean O'Callaghan, a former member of the IRA, claimed Shergar was kidnapped in a bid to raise money for arms.

No one has ever been arrested by



Shergar won the 1981 Epsom Derby

gardai in connection with the kidnapping.

Shergar also featured in a 2019 documentary "The Irish Derby — Níos Mó Ná Rása" (More Than a Race) on TG4, which captured the essence of one of Ireland's greatest sporting traditions, from its humble beginnings in 1866 to becoming a top international race and attracting some of the leading racehorse owners in the world.

Vanilla Ice released his debut album, Hooked, in 1989 but it was later re-released in 1990 under the title To the Extreme and contained Ice's best-known hits: Ice Ice Baby and Play That Funky Music.

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