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Kildare Co. Council Aras Chill Dara Devoy Park Naas Co. Kildare

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Re: Zoning of Lands at Johnstownbridge. County Development Plan 2023 – 2029 for Colm Farrell

Dear Sir/Madam,

I enclose herewith site location map with an area of land outlined in red The request is to have the site zoned for Town Centre or New Residential use.

Site

The site is ideally located within 250M from the centre of Johnstownbridge.

The area of the site is 1.15 hectares.

Access will be through Church View Estate which is currently nearing completion.

Water Supply

There is a public mains water supply in the village which has adequate capacity to service the proposed development.

Foul Sewage

There is an existing sewage treatment plant in the village.

This serves Johnstownbridge and Enfield.

There is no spare capacity at present, however I understand that this plant will be upgraded within the duration of the 2023 – 2029 County Development Plan.

Surface Water

Surface water, due to the nature of the lands, can be disposed of to adequately sized soakpits within the boundaries of the site. There is also a surface water drain in the main street on the north side of the road.

Transport

Johnstown Bridge is less than 1km from junction 9 on the M4 motorway. The railway station at Enfield is 2.5km from the site.

There is also a bus service.

Intel has their "Park & Ride" facility from Johnstown Estate Hotel to their premises at Leixlip.





Schools

There is a Primary School in the village. A substantial extension was constructed in 2016/2017. I understand that there is spare capacity in the school.

A new post primary school is being erected in Enfield at present.

This is 2.5km from Johnstownbridge.

Third level is available at Maynooth – 20km from the village.

Hotels/Industry

There are two large hotels in the village – Johnstown Estate and The Hamlet.

These hotels employ in excess of 200 people

There are extensive sports/health facilities in both,

Irish Industrial Explosives have their works approx. 5K from the village.

Sports

There is a GAA club in the village with extensive grounds, pitches, training pitches and a club house.

The club has teams at all levels.

There is a membership in excess of 250.

The facilities are open to the public for all training facilities, fitness classes etc.

Shopping

There are two supermarkets in the village, light hardware and a petrol filling station.

Conclusion

There is a need in Johnstownbridge for further housing development.

The Council are encouraging people to reside in the villages rather than in the countryside.

The zoning of this site will cater for the local demand.

On behalf of the applicant, Colm Farrell, I request the Council to zone the site for Town Centre or New Residential use.

Yours faithfully

John/J. Cross/MRICS, MSCSI, MCIOB

Chartered Building Surveyor



Land Registry Compliant Map



