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KILDARE COUNTY COUNCIL

Record of Executive Business and Chief Executive's Orders

Planning and Development Act 2000 (as amended) – Part XI
Planning and Development Regulations 2001 (as amended) – Part 8

Proposed Development of Pedestrian and Cycle Bridge (adjacent to existing road bridge, protected structure – B11-103) over the River Liffey at Celbridge Co. Kildare

Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Screening Determination

Pursuant to the requirements of the above, Kildare County Council is proposing to construct a new Pedestrian and Cycle Bridge over the River Liffey at Celbridge Co. Kildare.

The proposed development comprises of the following:

- Development of Pedestrian and Cycle Bridge over River Liffey comprising of the following:
 - Piled abutment supports
 - Single-span, inclined, open-web truss bridge structure (hollow-section steel), modular deck and glass guarding and handrail (with LED lighting, designed for respecting wildlife);
 - From footpath adjacent to Bank of Ireland car park to the footpath outside the Abbey Lodge public house;
 - Bridge to span approximately 50m;
 - Constructed adjacent to existing road bridge, protected structure – B11-103),
 - No structural incidence on existing road bridge.
 - Removal of footpath on existing bridge, rerouting of telecoms services, addition of a rubbing strip kerb in lieu of footpath at base of rubble-stone parapet wall.
 - All associated works, minor repairs and maintenance to bridge and surrounds;
 - No requirement for structures or construction works in the River Liffey

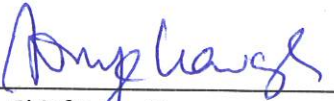
Further details of the existing site and proposed development have been provided in Section 2 of the Environmental Impact Assessment Screening Report prepared by RPS Group, drawings provided with the Part 8 application (& Bridge Report) by dhb Architects and Construction Environmental Management Plan (Clifton Scannell & Emerson Associates) and other associated documentation.

Having regard to EIA Directive 2011/92/EU as amended by Directive 2014/52/EU (the EIA Directive), the guidance contained in: *"Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Guidance for Consent Authorities regarding Sub-Threshold Development"* (published by the Department of Environment, Heritage and Local Government in 2003); *"Environmental Impact - Assessment of Projects - Guidance on Screening"* (published by the European Commission in 2017); *"Guidelines for Planning Authorities and An Bord Pleanála on carrying out Environmental Impact Assessment"* (published by the Department of Housing, Planning and Local Government in 2018); and,

On the basis of the objective information provided in the Part 8 drawings, Bridge Report, Environmental Impact Assessment Screening Report by RPS Group and the screening opinion (Report to Inform Screening for Appropriate Assessment prepared by Greenleaf Ecology) (and all other associated documentation including Construction Environmental Management Plan by Clifton Scannell & Emerson Associates)) concluded that the proposed development is a sub-threshold development and that "there is no real likelihood of significant effects on the environment arising

ORDER: That Kildare County Council as the Competent Authority hereby makes a determination that Development of Pedestrian and Cycle Bridge (adjacent to existing bridge, protected structure – B11-103) over the River Liffey at Celbridge Co. Kildare would not be likely to have significant effects on the environment and that the proposed project does not require an Environmental Impact Assessment.

Date: 9th May 2022



Chief Executive