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30th May, 2022

# Section 5 referral Reference R22-28 - Enda O'Connor

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I refer to your application received on 5th May 2022 under Section 5 of the Planning & Development Act 2000 (as amended) in relation to the above.

The Planning Authority has considered the matter and I attach herewith the Council's findings in this matter.

Where a declaration is issued by the Planning Authority, any person issued with a declaration, may on payment to an Bord Pleanála of the required fee, refer a declaration for review by An Bord Pleanála within 4 weeks of the date of the issuing of the declaration. Details on making such appeal are available on the Board's website at www.pleanala.ie

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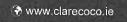
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# DECLARATION ISSUED UNDER SECTION 5 OF THE PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT ACT 2000 (AS AMENDED)

Reference No.: R22-28



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**AND WHEREAS, Enda O'Connor** has requested a declaration from Clare County Council on the said question.

AND WHEREAS Clare County Council, in considering this referral, had regard in particular to –

- (a) Sections 2, 3 and 4 of the Planning and Development Act, 2000, as amended,
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**THEREFORE**: The Planning Authority in exercise of the powers conferred on it by Section 5 of the Planning and Development Act, 2000 (as amended), hereby decides that:

The proposed development consisting of the creation of an opening for a ground floor window on the gable end of No. 3 Laurel Avenue, Hazelwood, Ennis, County Clare is development

and is exempted development, as defined within the Planning & Development Acts, 2000 (as amended) and associated regulations.

Anne O'Gorman Staff Officer

**Planning Department** 

**Economic Development Directorate** 

30th May, 2022

# **CLARE COUNTY COUNCIL**

# SECTION 5 OF THE PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT ACT 2000 AS AMENDED DECLARATION ON DEVELOPMENT AND/OR EXEMPTED DEVELOPMENT

Chief Executive's Order No:

79866

Reference Number:

R22-28

**Date Referral Received:** 

Name of Applicant:

**Enda O'Connor** 

Location of works in question:

No. 3 Laurel Avenue, Hazelwood, Ennis, Co.

Clare

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#### ORDER:

Whereas by Chief Executive's Order No. HR 152 dated 9<sup>th</sup> April 2021, Pat Dowling, Chief Executive for Clare County Council, did, pursuant to the powers conferred on him by Section 154 of the Local Government Act 2001, delegate to Gareth Ruane, Senior Executive Planner, the powers, functions and duties as set out herein.

NOW THEREFORE pursuant to the delegation of the said powers, functions and duties and under Section 5(2)(a) of the Planning & Development Act 2000 (as amended) and having considered the various submissions and reports in connection with the referral described above, I, Gareth Ruane, Senior Executive Planner, hereby declare that the creation of an opening for a ground floor window on the gable end of No. 3 Laurel Avenue, Hazelwood, Ennis, County Clare is development and is exempted development

Signed:

**GARETH RUANE** 

SENIOR EXECUTIVE PLANNER

Date:

30th May, 2022

# CLARE COUNTY COUNCIL SECTION 5 DECLARATION OF EXEMPTION APPLICATION PLANNERS REPORT

FILE REF:

R22 28

APPLICANT(S):

Enda O'Connor

REFERENCE:

Whether the creation of an opening for a ground floor window on the gable end of No. 3 Laurel Avenue, Hazelwood, Ennis, County Clare is or is not development

and is or is not exempted development.

LOCATION:

No. 3 Laurel Avenue, Hazelwood, Ennis, County Clare

**DUE DATE:** 

31st May 2022

#### **Site Location**

The existing dwelling, which comprises of a two story, semi detached dwelling is located within the residential development of Laurel Avenue, within the larger Hazelwood Estate, off Clon Road. On the eastern gable of the dwelling is a single story side return, which forms part of the dwelling. To the immediate east of the site, is the single story side return of the adjacent dwelling (which is also a two story semi detached house) with the single story side return there in use as a garage.



#### **Site Context**



#### Recent Planning History

Onsite

none.

#### **Background to Referral**

This Referral under Section 5(3)(a) of the Planning and Development Act 2000 (as amended) has been made by Enda O'Connor. The applicant's legal interest in the site is stated as owner of the property.

The applicant is seeking a Section 5 Declaration as to whether the creation of an opening for a ground floor window on the gable end of No. 3 Laurel Avenue, Hazelwood, Ennis, County Clare is or is not development and is or is not exempted development.

# Statutory Provisions

## Planning and Development Act, 2000 (as amended)

In order to assess this proposal, regard has to be had to the *Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended*.

S.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 or the making of any material change in the use of any structures or other land.

'Works' are defined in Section 2 of the Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended as follows:

"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.

### **Exempted Development**

- 4.—(1) The following shall be exempted developments for the purposes of this Act—
  (h) 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;
- 5. (7) A planning authority, before making a declaration under this section, shall consider the record forwarded to it in accordance with subsection (6)(c).

Planning & Development Regulations, 2001, as amended

Article 6 refers to Exempted Development and states that subject to Article 9, development of a class specified in column 1 of Part 3 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 3 opposite the mention of that class in the said column 1.

No such classes refer specifically to the installation of a window in the existing part of a building.

Under Article 9 (1) of the same Regulations, development to which Article 6 relates shall not be exempted development for the purposes of the Act:

## (a) if the carrying out of such development would -

(i) contravene a condition attached to a permission under the Act or be inconsistent with any use specified in a permission under the Act

(ii) consist of or compromise the formation, laying out or material widening of a means of access to a public road the surfaced carriageway of which exceeds 4 metres in width,

(iii) endanger public safety by reason of traffic hazard or obstruction of road users,

(iv) interfere with the character of a landscape, or a view or prospect of special amenity value or special interest, the preservation of which is an objective of a development plan for the area in which the development is proposed or, pending the variation of a development plan or the making of a new development plan, in the draft variation of the development plan or the draft development plan.

(vii) consist of or comprise the excavation, alteration or demolition (other than peat extraction) of places, caves, sites, features or other objects of archaeological, geological, historical, scientific or ecological interest, the preservation, conservation or protection of which is an objective of a development plan or local area plan for the area in which the development is proposed or, pending the variation of a development plan or local area plan, or the making of a new development plan or local area plan, in the draft variation of the development plan or the local area plan or the draft development plan or draft local area plan,

(viiA) consist of or comprise the excavation, alteration or demolition of any archaeological monument included in the Record of Monuments and Places, pursuant to section 12(1) of the National Monuments (Amendment) Act 1994, save that this provision shall not apply to any excavation or any works, pursuant to and in accordance with a consent granted under section 14 or a licence granted under section 26 of the National Monuments Act 1930 (No. 2 of 1930) as amended,

(viiB) comprise development in relation to which a planning authority or An Bord Pleanála is the competent authority in relation to appropriate assessment and the development would require an appropriate assessment because it would be likely to have a significant effect on the integrity of a European site,

(viiC) consist of or comprise development which would be likely to have an adverse impact on an area designated as a natural heritage area by order made under section 18 of the Wildlife (Amendment) Act 2000."

(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,

(ix) consist of the demolition or such alteration of a building or other structure as would preclude or restrict the continuance of an existing use of a building or other structure where it is an objective

of the planning authority to ensure that the building or other structure would remain available for such use and such objective has been specified in a development plan for the area or, pending the variation of a development plan or the making of a new development plan, in the draft variation of the development plan or the draft development plan,

(x) consist of the fencing or enclosure of any land habitually open to or used by the public during the 10 years preceding such fencing or enclosure for recreational purposes or as a means of access to any seashore, mountain, lakeshore, riverbank or other place of natural beauty or recreational utility,

(xi) obstruct any public right of way,

(xii) further to the provisions of section 82 of the Act, consist of or comprise the carrying out of works to the exterior of a structure, where the structure concerned is located within an architectural conservation area or an area specified as an architectural conservation area in a development plan for the area or, pending the variation of a development plan or the making of a new development plan, in the draft variation of the development plan or the draft development plan and the development would materially affect the character of the area.

#### **Assessment**

#### Particulars of the Development

• Window 500mm x 800mm located at ground floor level on the eastern gable of the existing dwelling.

#### Planning Exemption Assessment

#### Planning and Development Act 2000 (as amended) Section 4

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Having regard to the nature of the proposed work, which it is noted will affect the exterior of the dwelling, I do not consider same will materially affect the external appearance of the structure so as to render it inconsistent with the character of the structure / neighbouring structures. It is noted from the submitted documentation that the windows will be located on the eastern gable of the dwelling and due to the presence of the neighbouring dwelling, same will not be readily visible from the public road. In this regard, the proposed window would not materially affect the external appearance of the structure such that same would be inconsistent with the character of the existing dwelling.

5 (7) A planning authority, before making a declaration under this section, shall consider the record forwarded to it in accordance with subsection (6)(c). I have carried out a review of ABP website and there is no other development of a similar nature to that as proposed under the subject declaration.

Article 9 of the Planning and Development Regulations 2001, as amended

Article 9 of the Planning and Development Regulations 2001, as amended outlines restrictions on exempted development, and these are assessed below (for both the dwelling extension and the garage):

- (i) contravene a condition attached to a permission under the Act or be inconsistent with any use specified in a permission under the Act. **Not applicable**.
- (ii) consist of or compromise the formation, laying out or material widening of a means of access to a public road the surfaced carriageway of which exceeds 4 metres in width. Not applicable.
- (iii) endanger public safety by reason of traffic hazard or obstruction of road users. **Not** applicable in this instance.
- (iv) interfere with the character of a landscape, or a view or prospect of special amenity value or special interest, the preservation of which is an objective of a development plan for the area in which the development is proposed or, pending the variation of a development plan or the making of a new development plan, in the draft variation of the development plan or the draft development plan. It is considered that same does not interfere with the character of the landscape or views in the area.
- (v) consist of or comprise the carrying out under a public road of works other than a connection to a wired broadcast relay service, sewer, water main, gas main or electricity supply line or cable, or any works to which class 25, 26 or 31 (a) specified in column 1 of Part 1 of Schedule 2 applies. This is not applicable in this instance.
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#### **Recommendation**

#### The following question has been referred to the Planning Authority:

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Now therefore Clare County Council (Planning Authority), hereby decides the creation of an opening for a ground floor window on the gable end of No. 3 Laurel Avenue, Hazelwood, Ennis, County Clare is development and is exempted development.

Fiona Barry **Executive Planner** Date: 27.05.2022

Garreth Ruane

Senior Executive Planner
Date: 30/04/12.

# **Clare County Council Screening for Appropriate Assessment & Determination**

- 1. Table 1 to be filled in for all development applications.
- 2. Where proposed development is within a European site(s) site, go directly to table 3.
- 3. For all other development proposals, fill in table 2, and if required, table 3.
- 4. A Habitats Directive Screening Statement should be sought for all developments regardless of location which require an EIS

Table 1: Project Details			
Planning File Reference	R22 28		
Applicant Name	Enda O'Connor		
Development Location	No. 3 Laurel Avenue, Hazelwood, Ennis, County Clare		
Application accompanied by an EIS	No		
Application accompanied by an NIS	No		
Description of the project (To incl	ude a site location map):		
	Alterations to existing dwelling		
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# Table 2: Identification of European sites which may be impacted by the proposed development.

This section identifies the European Sites within the likely zone of impact of the plan or project. For plans an initial 15km zone of influence (NPWS-DAHG)<sup>1</sup> is recommended. For projects, the distance could be much less than 15km, and in some cases less than 100m, but this must be evaluated on a case-by-case basis with reference to the nature, size and location of the project, and the sensitivities of the ecological receptors, and the potential for in combination effects. Qualifying Interests/Special conservation Interests for each site and the distance relevant to the proposal are listed (Table 2 (a)).

Table 2 (a): European Sites within 15km of Applicant Site

European Sites <sup>2</sup>	Qualifying Interests (QIs)/Special Conservation Interests (SCIs) and conservation objectives (either generic or detailed) (available on <a href="https://www.npws.ie/protectedsites">www.npws.ie/protectedsites</a> ) or through Intranet.	Distance to Applicant Site (km)
Lower River Shannon SAC	Sandbanks which are slightly covered by sea water all the time [1110] Estuaries [1130] Mudflats and sandflats not covered by seawater at low tide [1140] Coastal lagoons [1150] Large shallow inlets and bays [1160] Reefs [1170] Perennial vegetation of stony banks [1220] Vegetated sea cliffs of the Atlantic and Baltic coasts [1230] Salicornia and other annuals colonising mud and sand [1310] Atlantic salt meadows (Glauco-Puccinellietalia maritimae) [1330] Mediterranean salt meadows (Juncetalia maritimi) [1410] Water courses of plain to montane levels with the Ranunculion fluitantis and Callitricho-Batrachion vegetation [3260] Molinia meadows on calcareous, peaty or clayey-siltladen soils (Molinion caeruleae) [6410] Alluvial forests with Alnus glutinosa and Fraxinus excelsior (Alno-Padion, Alnion incanae, Salicion albae) [91E0] Margaritifera margaritifera (Freshwater Pearl Mussel) [1029]	200m

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> European Sites that are more than 15km from the proposal may have to be considered. For example in the case of sites with water dependent habitats or species and where a proposal could affect water quality or quantity it may be necessary to consider the full extent of the upstream and/or downstream catchment.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> European Site details are available on <a href="http://webgis.npws.ie/npwsviewer/">http://webgis.npws.ie/npwsviewer/</a> or maybe obtained from internal mapping systems.

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	Petromyzon marinus (Sea Lamprey) [1095] Lampetra planeri (Brook Lamprey) [1096] Lampetra fluviatilis (River Lamprey) [1099] Salmo salar (Salmon) [1106] Tursiops truncatus (Common Bottlenose Dolphin) [1349] Lutra lutra (Otter) [1355]	

1	Impacts on designated rivers, streams, lakes and fresh water dependant habitats and species.	Is the development in the catchment of or immediately upstream of a watercourse that has been designated as a European site?	No
2	Impacts on terrestrial habitats and species.	Is the development within 1km of a European site with terrestrial based habitats or species?	No
3	Impacts on designated marine habitats and species.	Is the development located within marine or intertidal areas and within 5 km of a European site whose qualifying habitats or species include the following: Mudflats, sandflats, saltmarsh, shingle, reefs, sea cliffs	No
4	Impacts on birds in SPAs	Is the development within 1km of a Special Protection Area	No
5	Indirect effects	Is the development, in combination with other existing or proposed developments likely to impact on an adjacent European site? Is any emission from the development (including noise) likely to impact on an adjacent habitat or species?	No – minor nature of works, distance from designation and no direct hydrological link

**Conclusion:** 

If the answer to all of the above is no, significant impacts on European sites are unlikely. No further assessment is required; go directly to the conclusion statement.

If the answer is "unknown" or "yes" proceed to Table 3 and refer to the relevant sections of Table 3.

Appropriate Assessment Screening Determination		
Planning File Reference	R22 9	
Proposed Development	Alterations to existing dwelling	
Development Location	No. 3 Laurel Avenue, Hazelwood, Ennis County Clare	
European sites within impact zone	As above	

#### Description of the project

Alterations to existing dwelling

# Qualifying Interests (QIs)/Special Conservation Interests (SCIs) of European site

As per report

# Describe how the project or plan (alone or in combination) is likely to affect the European site(s).

No impacts envisaged.

# If there are potential negative impacts, explain whether you consider if these are likely to be significant, and if not, why not?

The subject site is located approx. 1.5km from Lower River Shannon SAC.

The proposed works are minor in nature, comprising of alterations to the existing dwelling. The site is located in an urban, developed area, with existing water and water water services present. Having regard to:

- The minor nature of the proposed works
- The location of the site in an urban, developed area
- The consequent absence of a pathway to an European site

I am satisfied that the proposed development, either alone or in combination with any other plans/ projects will not be likely to have a significant effect on any European site.

#### Documentation reviewed for making this statement

NPWS website

Plans and particulars received

GIS mapping database

#### Conclusion of assessment (a, b, c or d)

- (a) The proposed development is directly connected with or necessary to the nature conservation management of a European Site(s)<sup>3</sup>
- (b) There is no potential for significant effects to European Sites<sup>3</sup>
- (c) The potential for significant effects to European Site(s) cannot be ruled out<sup>4</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Appropriate Assessment is not required and therefore Planning permission may be granted at this stage subject to all other planning considerations. However, no changes may be made to the proposed development after this conclusion has been reached as this would invalidate the findings of the screening exercise.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> In accordance with S177U of the Planning and Development (Amendment) Act 2010, the applicant should be requested to submit an 'Appropriate Assessment Screening Matrix' completed by a suitably qualified

(d) Significant effects to European sites are certain or likely or where potential for significant effects to European sites remains following receipt of Further Information requested under S177U of the Planning and Development (Amendment) Act 2010 <sup>5</sup>	
Completed By	Fiona Barry, Executive Planner
Date	27.05.2022

ecologist, by way of Further Information. Following receipt of this information a new Appropriate Screening Report should be completed. The requested 'Appropriate Assessment Screening Matrix' should be in accordance with the template outlined in Annex 2, Figure 1 of the EU (2001) guidance document 'Assessment of plans and projects significantly affecting European Sites — Methodological guidance on the provisions of Article 6(3) and (4) of the Habitats Directive 92/43/EEC. This guidance document is available from

http://ec.europa.eu/environment/nature/natura2000/management/docs/art6/natura\_2000\_assess\_en.p

Alternatively, where other planning concerns arise the proposal could be refused planning permission.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> The proposed development must either by refused planning permission or alternatively an 'Appropriate Assessment' (AA) should be carried out by the Planning Authority. In order to facilitate the preparation of an AA the applicant should be requested to submit a Natura Impact Statement (NIS) in accordance with S177 (T) of the Planning and Development (Amendment) Act 2010. However, in the case of an application to retain unauthorised development of land and where the authority decides that an 'appropriate assessment' should have been carried out prior to the commencement of development, the application is required to be invalidated by the Planning Authority as per S34 (12) of the Planning and Development (Amendment) Act 2010 and accordingly an NIS should not be requested in such instances.



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Enda O'Connor 3 Laurel Avenue Hazelwood Ennis Co. Clare

#### 05/05/2022

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**Tadhg Holmes** 

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REQUEST FOR A DECLARATION ON DEVELOPMENT AND EXEMPTED DEVELOPMENT (Section 5 of the Planning & Development Act 2000 (as amended))

FEE: €80

This following form is a non-statutory form which has been prepared by Clare County Council for the purpose of obtaining the necessary information required for a declaration to be made under Section 5 by the Planning Authority

1. C	1. CORRESPONDENCE DETAILS.			
(a) N	Name and Address of person eeking the declaration	ENDA O'CONNOR  3 Laurel Avenue  Hazelwood, Ennis  Eircode: V95E20D		
(b) Te	elephone No.:			
(c) En	mail Address:			
(d) Ag	gent's Name and address:			
	2 2	EIRCODE:		

2.	DETAILS REGARDING DECLARATION BEING SOUGHT
(a)	PLEASE STATE THE SPECIFIC QUESTION FOR WHICH A DECLARATION IS SOUGHT Note: only works listed and described under this section will be assessed.
Sampl	e Question: Is the construction of a shed at 1 Main St., Ennis development and if so is it exempted development?
15	the opening of a ground floor window
on au	the gable end of 3 Laurel Avenue development?
	rovide a full description of the question/matter/subject which arises wherein a declaration of the question sought.
P	roposed works to include creating
a	around floor opening to install
0	bathroom Window Location of the
00	oposed window to be on the grand
4	Or A Was a mast
7	floor of the gable end of the property
(Pi	cture attached). I'llasurements or
_	the proposed window opening are
	500mm x 800 mm (Picture affached).
P	roposed window is white Prc with
<u> </u>	rosted privacy glass.
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(	ist of plans, drawings etc. submitted with this request for a declaration:  Note: Please provide a site location map to a scale of not less than 1:2500 based on Ordnance Survey map for the areas, to identify the lands in question)
	Bite location may included
	Vindow drawing included
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	3. DETAILS RE: PROPERTY/SITE/BUILDING FOR WHICH DECLARATION IS SOUGHT			
(a)	Postal Address of the Property/Site/Building for which the declaration sought:	3 Laurel Avenue Hazelwood Ennis Co. Clare		
(b)	Do the works in question affect a Protected Structure or are within the curtilage of a Protected Structure? If yes, has a Declaration under Section 57 of the Planning & Development Act 2000 (as amended) been requested or issued for the property by the Planning Authority?	_no		
(c)	Legal interest in the land or structure in question of the person requesting the declaration (Give Details):	<u>no</u>		
(d)	If the person in (c) above is not the owner and/or occupier, state the name and address of the owner of the property in question:			
	Note: Observations in relation to a referral may be requested from the owner/occupier where appropriate.			
(e)	Is the owner aware of the current request for a Declaration under Section 5 of the Planning & Development Act 2000 (as amended)?:	Yes		
(f)	Are you aware of any enforcement proceedings connected to this site? If so please supply details:	no		
(g)	Were there previous planning application/s on this site? <i>If so please supply details:</i>	no		
(h)	Date on which 'works' in question were completed/are likely to take place:	Likely to take place 28/5/		

SIGNED: Encla O'Connor

DATE: 04 05 2022

#### **GUIDANCE NOTES**

This following are non-statutory advice notes prepared by Clare County Council for the purpose of advising people what information is required for a decision to be made under Section 5 by the Planning Authority

(i) The request for a declaration under Section 5 must be accompanied by 2 copies of site location map based on the Ordnance Survey map for the area of a scale not less than 1:1000 in urban areas and 1:2500 in rural areas and should clearly identify the site in question.

(ii) The request for a declaration under Section 5 must be accompanied by the required fee of €80.00.

(iii) If submitting any additional plans/reports etc. as part of the request for a declaration, please submit 2 copies.

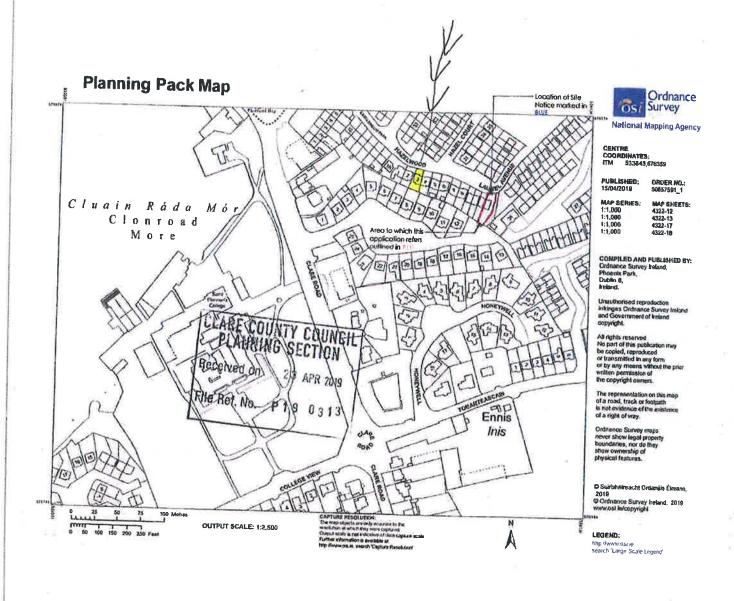
(iv) The request for a declaration should be sent to the following address:

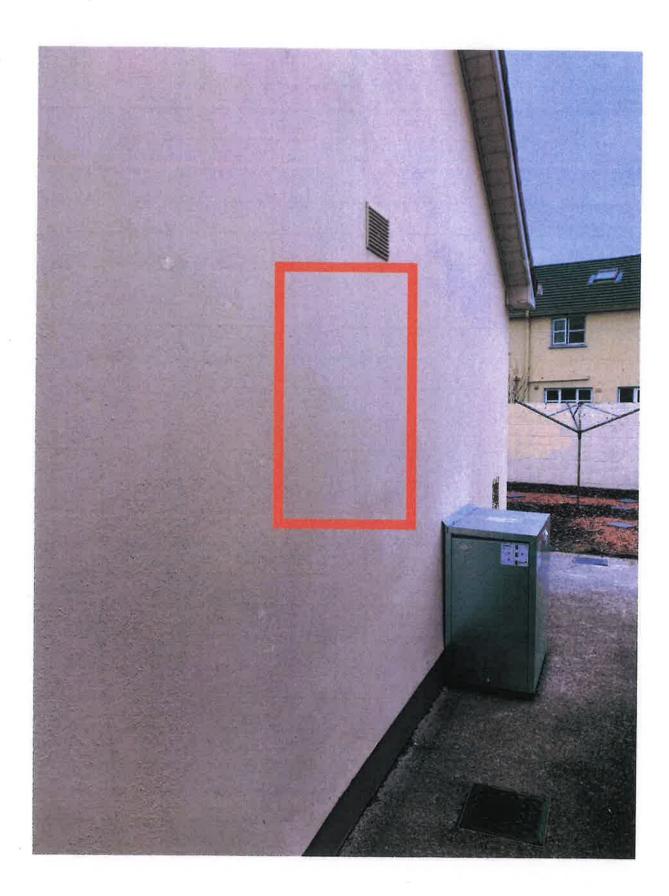
Planning Department,
Economic Development Directorate,
Clare County Countil
Aras Contae an Chlair,
New Road,
Ennis,
Co. Clare
V95DXP2

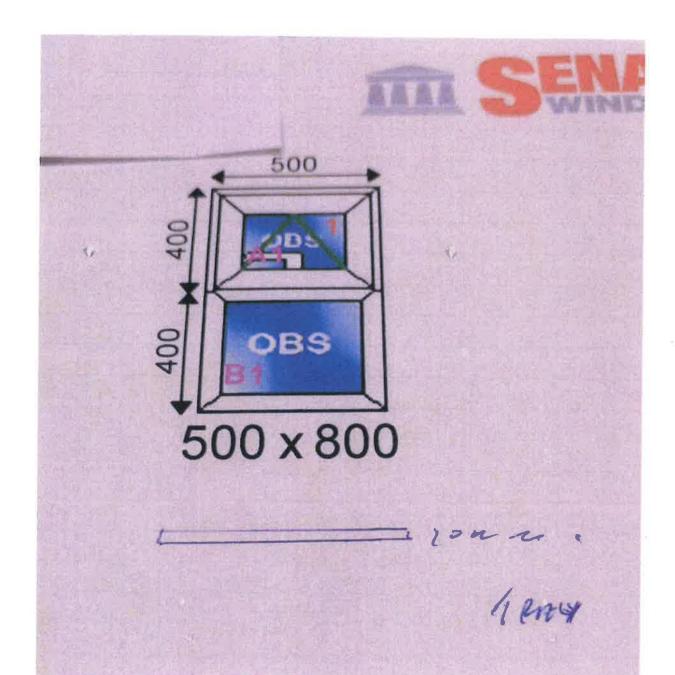
(v) Notwithstanding the completion of the above form, the Planning Authority may require the submission of further information with regard to the request in order to enable the Authority to issue a declaration on the question.

(vi) The Planning Authority may also request other persons to submit information on the question which has arisen and on which the declaration is sought

FOR OFFICE USE ONLY			
Date Received:	***************************************	Fee Paid:	
Date Acknowledged:	***************************************	Reference No.:	
Date Declaration made:	300000000000000000000000000000000000000	CEO No.:	
Decision:			







Clare County Council Aras Contae an Chlair New Road Ennis Co Clare

05/05/2022 14:37:58

Receipt No.: L1CASH/0/332127

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HAZELWOOD
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