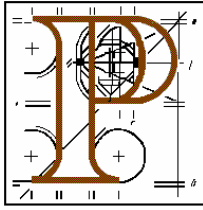


## **An Bord Pleanála**



### **PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT ACTS 2000 to 2009**

#### **Cork County Council**

**APPLICATION** by Cork County Council for approval under section 226 of the Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended in accordance with plans and particulars, including an environmental impact statement, lodged with the Board on the 7<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2008.

**PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT:** Construction of an extension to an existing wastewater treatment plant at Carrigtohill, County Cork.

#### **DECISION**

**GRANT approval for the above proposed development in accordance with the said plans and particulars based on the reasons and considerations under and subject to the conditions set out below.**

#### **MATTERS CONSIDERED**

In making its decision, the Board had regard to those matters to which, by virtue of the Planning and Development Acts and Regulations made thereunder, it was required to have regard. Such matters included any submissions and observations received by it in accordance with statutory provisions.

#### **REASONS AND CONSIDERATIONS**

Having considered the submissions and observations made in respect of the proposed development and the Inspector's Report thereon and having regard to

- (a) the existing use of portion of the site as a waste water treatment plant and the need to expand the treatment capacity,
- (b) the current Cork County Development Plan, the Cork Area Strategic Plan and Special Local Area Plan for Carrigtohill (September 2005),
- (c) the requirements of the Urban Wastewater Treatment Directive (91/271/EEC),

- (d) the Cork County Sludge Management Plan,
- (e) the mitigation measures proposed in the Environmental Impact Statement,
- (f) the requirement for a discharge authorisation under the Waste Water Discharge Regulations, 2007

it is considered that, subject to the conditions set out below, the expansion of the wastewater treatment capacity at the Carrigtohill Wastewater Treatment Works would not have significant adverse effects on the environment and would be in accordance with the proper planning and sustainable development of the area.

### CONDITIONS

1. Phase two of the proposed works shall be excluded from this approval in order to allow for further assessment of the environmental impacts when phase one (45,000 population equivalent plant capacity) is in operation.

**Reason:** To protect the aquatic environment and having regard to the letter of the 27<sup>th</sup> of November, 2009 from the local authority's consulting engineer.

2. Storm tanks with a minimum capacity to ensure compliance with the requirements of the DEHLG publication "Procedures and Criteria in relation to Storm Water Overflows" (1995) shall be installed.

**Reason:** To protect the aquatic environment.

3. A suitably qualified Archaeologist shall be engaged to carry out monitoring on the pipeline route during excavation.

**Reason:** To ensure that all archaeologically important items are located and evaluated.

4. The treatment of any watercourses running through the development site shall be agreed with Inland Fisheries Ireland prior to the commencement of construction.

**Reason:** In the interests of protecting aquatic ecology.

5. A comprehensive Construction Environmental Management Plan shall be prepared prior to commencement of construction in consultation with the Department of Environment, Heritage and Local Government (National Parks and Wildlife Service). This shall include the detailed method statement for the laying of the outfall pipeline as referred to in the last paragraph of the conclusions in the report by the Environmental Consultants submitted to An Bord Pleanála on the 25<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2010.

**Reason:** In the interests of protecting habitats.

6. The height of the tallest building shall not exceed 15 metres above existing ground level.

**Reason:** In the interest of visual amenity.

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**Member of An Bord Pleanála  
duly authorised to authenticate  
the seal of the Board.**

**Dated this                    day of                    2010.**