

**CARLOW COUNTY COUNCIL**

**Planning and Development Act 2000 (as amended)**

**Planning and Development Regulations 2001 (as amended)**

**Notice pursuant to: Section 177AE of the Planning and Development Act 2000 (as amended) and the Planning and Development Regulations 2001 (as amended)**

**River Barrow Activity Centre**

**Application to An Bord Pleanála**

Notice is hereby given that Carlow County Council intends to make an application for approval to An Bord Pleanála to carry out development which involves the construction of the River Barrow Activity Centre, in Carlow Town Park, Carlow. The proposed development consists of:

- Construction of an activity centre comprising the following;
  - a) 2 storey facilities building with mono-pitch roof containing changing rooms & ancillary facilities, storage area, drying room, showers, plant room, universally accessible facilities and 2 social enterprise units on ground floor with community space, training room and associated storage on first floor.
  - b) 1.5 storey café building with mono-pitch roof & outdoor terrace facing south. Building comprises seating area, kitchen, storage, toilets and plant.
  - c) Canopy spanning between facilities building and café, part covering outdoor seating area
  - d) New public access from activity centre to Bachelors Walk comprising steps and seating area
  - e) Single storey boat storage building with part flat, part raked roof to contain 3 separate storage zones with a rental space and associated plant room
  - f) Alterations to existing vehicular access from Barrow Street with turnaround/loading & unloading area
  - g) Associated car and bicycle parking split between 2 sites; A and B
  - h) Public lighting to all pedestrian areas and associated car-parking
  - i) Hard landscaped central space with boat wash-down area and associated surface water UV filtration system
  - j) Site drainage works including connection to existing public foul & storm systems
  - k) Removal of existing public toilet and storage containers adjacent the site and removal of existing trees on site to facilitate the works
  - l) Site boundary and all associated site development works

A Natura Impact Statement has been prepared in respect of the proposed development.

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

A copy of the particulars and the Natura impact statement will be available for inspection at:

- **The offices of Carlow County Council, County Hall // between the hours of 9.00am and 5.00pm, on working days from // (inclusive of both dates)**
- **The offices of An Bord Pleanála, 64 Marlborough Street, Dublin 1 between the hours of 9.15 am and 5.30 pm on working days from // (inclusive of both dates)**

The Natura Impact Statement may be inspected free of charge or purchased on payment of a specified fee (which fee shall not exceed the reasonable cost of making such copy).

Submissions and observations are invited relating to –

- (I) The implications of the proposed development for the proper planning and sustainable development of the area concerned,
- (II) The likely effects on the environment of the proposed development, and
- (III) The likely significant effects of the proposed development on a European site, if carried out.

Submissions and observations may be made in writing to An Bord Pleanála during the period.

**Any submissions/observations must be received by An Bord Pleanála not later than 5.30 p.m. on **

Any person may, within 4 weeks from the date of this notice, apply to An Bord Pleanála for a screening determination as to whether the development would have significant effects on the environment.

A person may question the validity of a decision of the Bord by way of an application for 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 in respect of the judicial review process can be accessed on the Board's website [www.pleanala.ie](http://www.pleanala.ie) or on the Citizens Information Service website

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