

GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL

SITE NOTICE

Coillte Teoranta (the applicant) seek a ten-year planning permission for development on a site located in the townlands of Derryclare (also known as Doire an Chláir) and Cloonnacartan (also known as Cúil na Ceártan), Co. Galway.

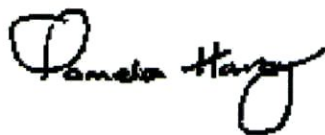
The development will consist of:

- i. The felling/removal of some 343 hectares of conifer plantation for the purposes of peatland restoration and the establishment of native woodland.
- ii. Measures to restore and rehabilitate approximately 281 hectares of Atlantic blanket bog and heathland that is currently planted with lodgepole pine and Sitka spruce forests and managed for commercial forestry.
- iii. Conversion of 62 hectares of conifer forestry to native woodland.
- iv. Main peatland restoration measures will include tree removal, drain blocking (manual and mechanical) and ground reprofiling.
- v. The control of existing invasive species on site and continued control during the restoration works to prevent their spread.
- vi. Drain-blocking all existing artificial drainage and artificial land drains currently existing within the peatland restoration areas in order to restore the high water table which is necessary for blanket bog growth.
- vii. Provision of silt traps at outflows to block the pathway to the Twelve Bens/Garraun Complex Special Area of Conservation.
- viii. Deer fencing to protect 62 hectares of proposed native woodland.
- ix. Provision of a Harvest Management Phasing Plan for the proposed project.
- x. Provision of new internal access road extending to 1.58 km.
- xi. Across the site there will be 4 no. temporary water-crossings constructed in order to facilitate the harvesting of the timber at the site.
- xii. Provision of informational signage.
- xiii. Resurfacing of up to 8.23 km of existing forestry roads.
- xiv. Resurfacing of existing car park to facilitate public access.
- xv. Installation of water monitoring stations for real time water monitoring during operations.
- xvi. Cutting of roadside trees to improved sightline visibility at site entrance.
- xvii. The application is supported by an Environmental Impact Assessment Report (EIAR) and a Natura Impact Statement (NIS).

The Planning Application, Environmental Impact Assessment Report (EIAR), and Natura Impact Statement (NIS) may be inspected, or purchased at a fee not exceeding the reasonable cost of making a copy, at the offices of the Planning Authority at the Planning Office, Galway County Council, County Hall, Prospect Hill, Galway during office hours 9.00am to 4.00pm Monday to Friday (Wednesday 10.00 am to 4.00pm).

A submission or observation in relation to the application may be made in writing to the planning authority on payment of a fee of €20.00, with in the 5 weeks beginning on the date of receipt by the authority of the application, and such submissions or observations will be considered by the planning authority in making a decision on the application. The planning authority may grant permission subject to or without conditions, or may refuse to grant permission.

Signed:



MKO (Agents), Tuam Road, Galway, H91 VW84, 091-735611

Date of erection of site notice: 16th February 2023



COMHAIRLE CHONTAE NA GAILLIMHE

FÓGRA SUÍMH



Tá sé de rún ag Coillte Teoranta (an t-iarratasóir) cur isteach ar Chead Pleanála deich mbliana maidir le forbairt ar an suíomh seo atá suite i mbaile fearainn Dhoire an Chláir (ar a dtugtar freisin Derryclare) agus i mbaile fearainn Chúil na Ceártan (ar a dtugtar freisin Cloonnacartan), i gContae na Gaillimhe.

Is é a bhainfidh leis an bhforbairt:

- i. Na crainn bhuaircíneacha ar 343 heicteár d'fháschoill a leagan/a thabhairt chun bealaigh ar mhaithe le hathchóiriú ar thalamh portaigh agus coillearnach de chineálacha dúchais a chur ag fás.
- ii. Bearta maidir le hathchóiriú agus athshlánú ar c. 281 heicteár de bhratphortach de chineál cheantar an Atlantaigh agus de fhraochmhá atá faoi fhoraois den phéine chontórtach agus den sprús Sitceach faoi láthair arna bhainistiú ar bhonn tráchtála.
- iii. Athrú ar réimse 62 heicteár atá faoi chrainn bhuaircíneacha gur coillearnach de chineálacha dúchais a bhíonn ag fás.
- iv. Na príomhbhearta athchóiriúcháin ar an gceantar portaigh lena mbainfidh crainn a thabhairt chun bealaigh, draenacha a bhlocáil (le hobair láimhe agus le meaisín) agus athphróifiliú ar an talamh.
- v. Speicis ionracha atá ar an láthair cheana féin a smachtú agus leanúint den smachtú sin le linn an obair athchóiriúcháin a dhéanamh ionas nach dtarlaíonn leathnú ar an scaipeadh atá orthu.
- vi. Blocáil a dhéanamh ar na córais shaorga draenála agus ar na draenacha saorga talún ar fad atá ar fáil faoi láthair sna ceantair phortaigh atá le hathchóiriú ionas go n-ardaítear arís leibhéal an mhaoschláir faoi mar is gá ionas go mbíonn bratphortach ag déanamh móna.
- vii. Bac siolta a chur isteach mar a mbíonn uisce ag rith le sruth ionas go mblocáiltear aon bhealach chuig Limistéar faoi Chaomhnú Speisialta Mhórláthair na mBeanna Beola/an Gharráin.
- viii. Sconsaí in aghaidh fianna d'fhonn 62 heicteár de choillearnach dúchais a chaomhnú.
- ix. Plean Bainistithe maidir le Sealchéimeanna Fómhair a leagan amach don tionscadal beartaithe.
- x. Bóthar áise nua inmheánach dar fad 1.58 km a chur ar fáil.
- xi. Tógfar ceithre cinn de bhealaí sealadacha trasna sruthanna uisce ar fud an tsuímh ionas gur fearr is féidir crainn a leagan agus a thabhairt chun bealaigh.
- xii. Comharthaí eolais a chur ar fáil.
- xiii. Athchóiriú dromchla ar 8.23 km de na bóithre foraoiseachta atá ar fáil cheana féin.
- xiv. Athchóiriú dromchla ar an gcarrchlós atá ar fáil cheana féin ionas gur furasta don phobal an láthair a thaobhú.
- xv. Stáisiún mhonatóireachta a fheistiú ionas gur féidir monatóireacht ar an toirt a dhéanamh ar an uisce nuair atá obair ar siúl.
- xvi. Crainn le taobh an bhóthair a ghearradh ionas gur fearr an réimse amhairc ag an mbealach isteach ar an láthair.
- xvii. Tá Tuarascáil ar an Measúnú Tionchair Timpeallachta (EIAR) agus Ráiteas Tionchair Natura (NIS) ag gabháil leis an iarratas.

Is féidir an t-iarratas ar chead pleanála, an tuarascáil maidir le Measúnú Tionchair Timpeallachta (EIAR) agus an Ráiteas Tionchair Natura (NIS) a scrúdú, nó a cheannach ar tháille a íoc nach mó ná an costas atá réasúnta maidir le cóip a dhéanamh, in oifigí an Údaráis Pleanála i rith na n-uaireanta oscailte poiblí: Luan go hAoine, 9:00 r.n. – 4:00 i.n. (10.00 r.n. – 4:00 i.n. ar an gCéadaoin). Is féidir aighneacht nó tuairim maidir leis an iarratas a chur faoi bhráid i scríbhinn chuig an Údarás Pleanála ach an táille fhorordaithe is cothrom le €20.00 a íoc laistigh de thréimhse 5 seachtaine ón dáta ar a dtagann an t-iarratas chuig an údarás.

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Dáta na tógála den fhógra suímh: 16^ú Feabhra 2023