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## **Limerick City and County Council**

### **Planning Department**

#### **Section 5 Application**

#### **DECLARATION ON DEVELOPMENT AND EXEMPTED DEVELOPMENT**

Marian Clarke

Applicant's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Applicant's Address: Doon Social Farm,  
Doon, Co. Limerick  
V9412T0  
\_\_\_\_\_

Telephone No. \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Agent (if any): \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Telephone No. \_\_\_\_\_

Address for Correspondence:  
As above  
\_\_\_\_\_

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Location of Proposed development (Please include Eircode):

Doon Social Farm, Doon, Co. Limerick V9412T0

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Description of Proposed development:

To convert small meeting room into a sensory room for the local community.  
To develop existing lawn into a sensory garden.

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Section of Exempted Development Regulations and/or section of the Act  
under which exemption is claimed:

Public, non-commercial use. Doon Social Farm, as part of Ballyhoura Rural Service CLG, is a charity (NO: 13108) The building is already used by the public and houses toilets and a storage space, as well as the meeting room. Previous use was as the school workshop and shed.

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Is this a Protected Structure or within the curtilage of a Protected Structure.  
YES/**NO**

Applicant's interest in site: \_\_\_\_\_

List of plans, drawings, etc. submitted with this application:

There is no construction work apart from external plastering, insulation, fixing gutters and room fit out with sensory equipment.

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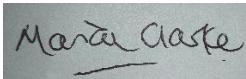
Have any previous extensions/structures been erected at this location

YES/**NO**

If Yes please provide floor areas of all existing structures:

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Signature of Applicant (or Agent) \_\_\_\_\_



**NOTES:** Application must be accompanied by:

(a) Fee of €80

- (b) Site location map
- (c) Site layout plan
- (d) Dimensioned plans and elevations of the structure and any existing structures.
- (e) Where the declaration is in respect of a farm building, a layout identifying the use of each existing building together with floor area of each building.

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Application to be forwarded to:

**Planning Department,  
Limerick City & County Council,  
Dooradoyle,  
Limerick,  
V94 XF67**

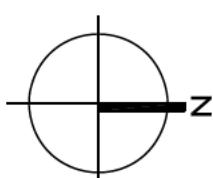
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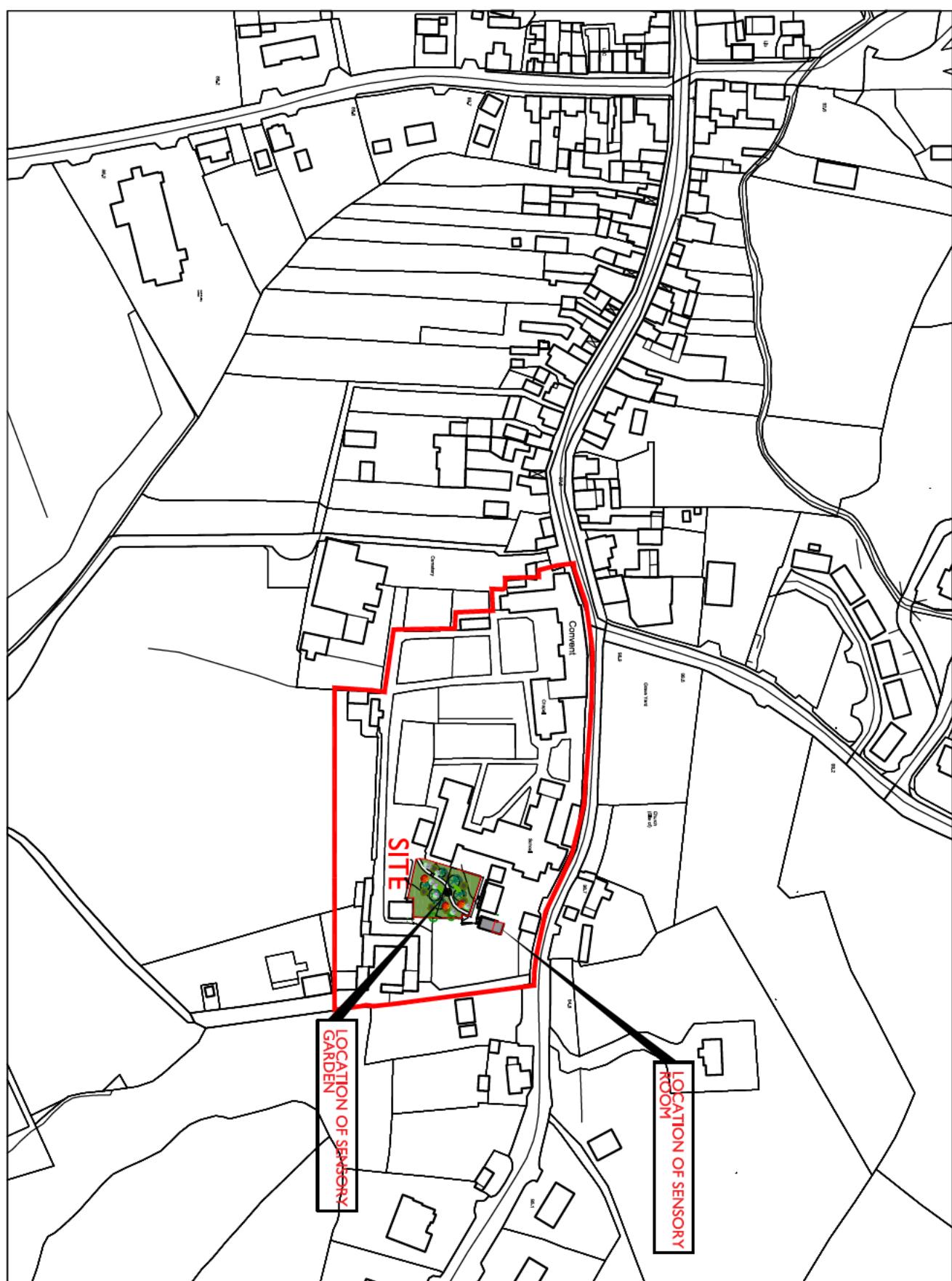
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NOTE

- A. THIS DRAWING IS FOR PLANNING PURPOSES ONLY.  
 B. ALL DIMENSIONS ARE IN MILLIMETRES AND LEVELS IN METRES.  
 C. CONTRACTOR MUST VERIFY ALL DIMENSIONS ON SITE BEFORE SETTING OUT, COMMENCING WORK, OR PRODUCING ANY SHOP DRAWINGS.  
 D. ALL DIMENSIONS ARE TO FACE OF BLOCK OR BRICK OR STUD TYPICALLY UNLESS NOTED OTHERWISE.  
 E. ALL WORKS TO BE CARRIED OUT IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE CURRENT BUILDING REGULATIONS.



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SCALE 1:2500  
SITE LOCATION MAP

A3

PROJECT FILE  
SENSORY GARDEN AND ROOM AT  
DOON SOCIAL FARM  
DRAWING FILE  
BALLYHOURA RURAL SERVICES CLG  
SITE LOCATION MAP

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DATE	SCALE		
MARCH 25	1:2500		

HEALY  
PARTNERS  
ARCHITECTSTHE PML GROUP LTD, DUBLIN  
T: +353 1 611 1209  
E: info@pmldesign.ie

TOTAL SITE AREA	0.185 Hectares
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-	-
DRAWING STATUS	DRAWN

NOTES:	
SITE BOUNDARY OUTLINED THUS	

DRAWING COMMENT - REFER TO PAGES NUMBERED 10  
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PROJECT FILE

SENSORY GARDEN AND ROOM AT

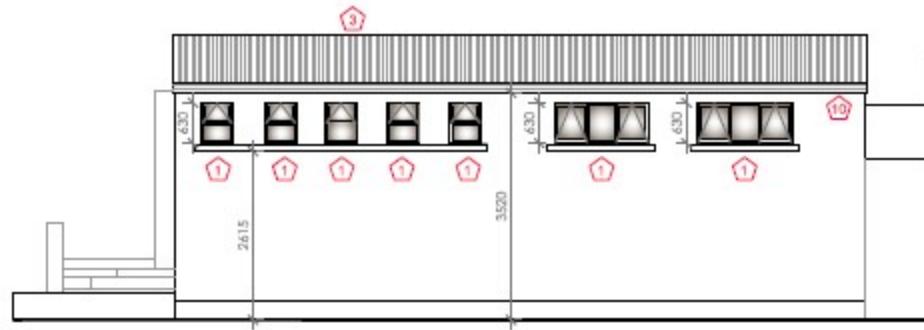
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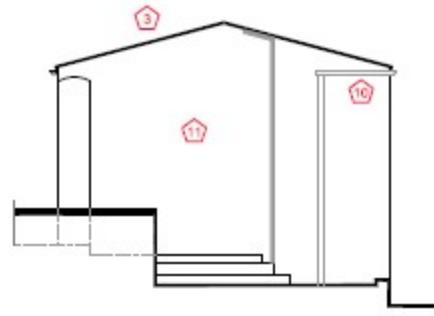
BALLYHOURA RURAL SERVICES CLG

SITE LOCATION MAP

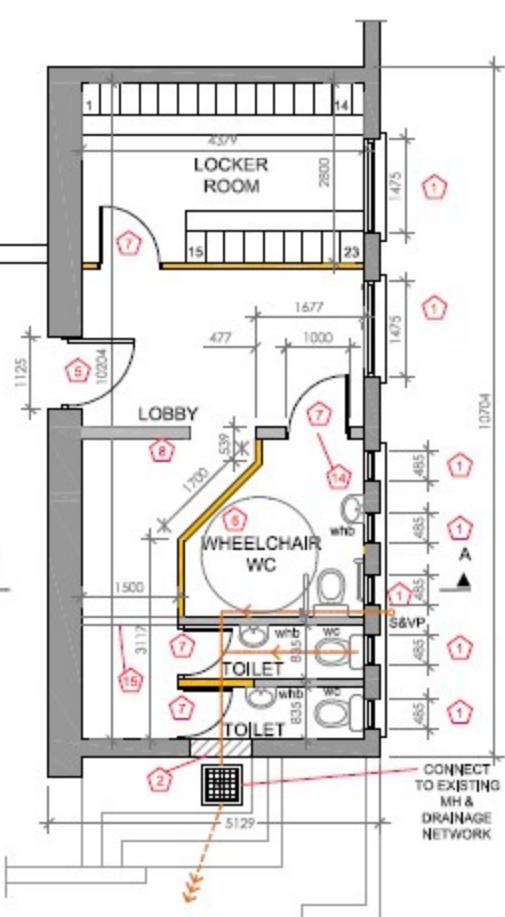
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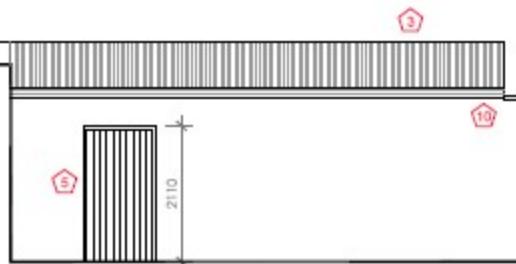
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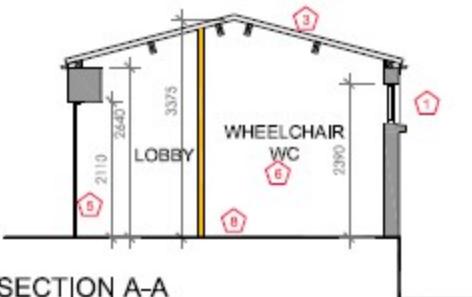
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GROUND FLOOR PLAN



WEST ELEVATION



SECTION A-A

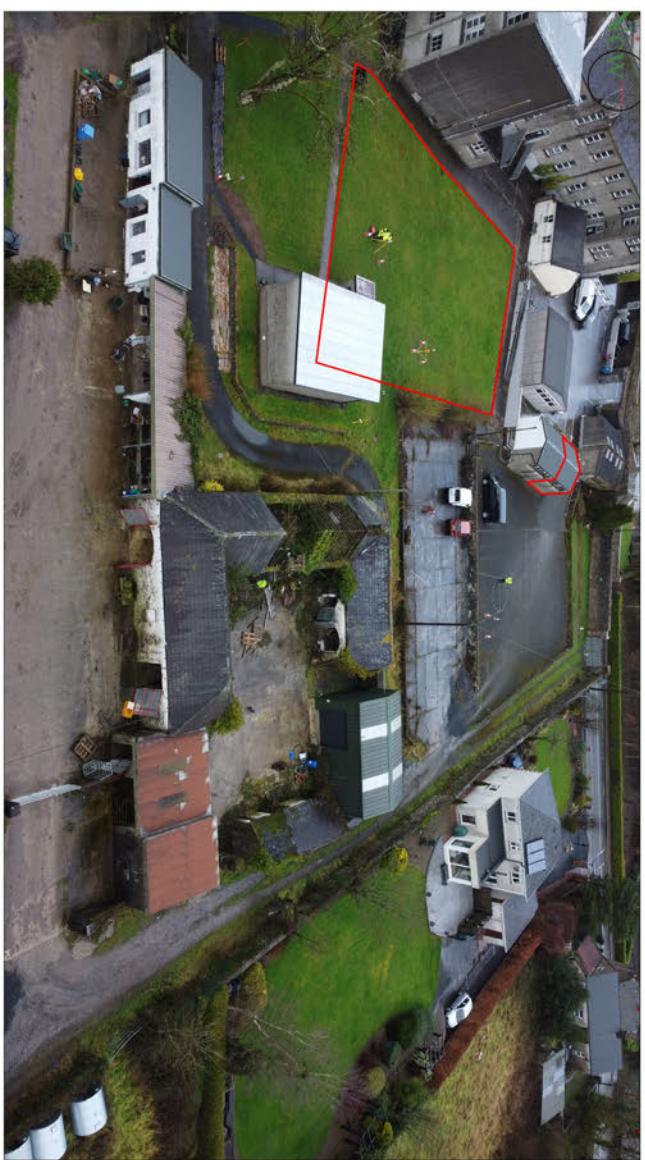
LEGEND OF SYMBOLS:

AJ	= PROPOSED ARMSTRONG JUNCTION BOX
SRE	= DOUBLE SEALED RODDING EYE
MH	= PROPOSED MANHOLE
RE	= RODDING EYE

S & VP = SOIL & VENT PIPE

= 100mm Dia UPVC FOUL DRAINAGE

AERIEL VIEW OF PROPOSED SENSORY GARDEN AND  
ROOM IN RED BOUNDARY



DOON CAMPUS SITE PLAN 1:1250@A3



PLAN PROPOSED SENSORY GARDEN 1:250@A3











**Report on application under Section 5 of the Planning and Development Act 2000 (as amended)**

**Reference no.** EC-058-25

**Name and Address of Applicant:** Marian Clarke  
Doon Social Farm,  
Doon,  
Co. Limerick  
V94I2T0

**Agent:** N/A

**Location:** Doon Social Farm,  
Doon,  
Co. Limerick  
V94I2T0

**Description of Site and Surroundings:**

Doon Social Farm is located in the eastern extent of Doon and within the curtilage of Doon Convent which is a candidate protected structure. There is an access onto the R505 and the 50km speed limit is in place.

**Zoning:**

Site is zoned Agriculture.

**Proposal:**

This is an application requesting a Section 5 Declaration on whether the following works are or are not development or are or not exempted development:

- Change of use from a meeting room to a sensory room
- Develop the lawn into a sensory garden

This Section 5 declaration includes the following:

- Application Form
- Site location
- Proposed Elevations
- Proposed Floor plans
- Site layout

**Planning History:**

24/61219 – Application by Ballyhoura Rural Services for conversion / change of use of three storey convent building to accommodate 23 No: independent community living use apartments. The proposed works consist of the following: 1. The provision of a new entrance roadway to the east side onto main street (R505). 2. Removal of sections of boundary walls to main street. 3. Construction of a new car park. 4. Removal of later 20th century extensions. 5. Addition of two three storey end block extensions. 6. Provision of a commercial kitchen on the ground floor of the proposed east block extension. 7. Provision of seating in the east ground floor wing of the convent. 8. Provision of new door ope to southern courtyard to restaurant terrace. 9. Provision of PV panels on the south facing roof slope of the central convent block. 10. Alterations to the internal layouts. 11. Repairs to the historical fabric of the building. 12. All associated site works. Sisters of Mercy Convent Doon is on the NIAH (National Inventory of Architectural Heritage) Schedule, Ref No: 21809006. The Convent building complex and curtilage is a candidate Protected Structure is still under consideration.

22/1320 - Permission granted to Ballyhoura Rural Services CLG for amendments to previously approved planning permissions (19/149 & 20/539). (a) Amendments to the North Main Street Elevation (R505), (b) Demolition of existing ground floor corridor sections running parallel with Main Street (R505) and replacement with recessed landscaped courtyard spaces, (c) Addition of two extra ground floor one-bedroom apartments within the original building footprint, bringing the total number of apartments to 23 No., (d) Change of Use from previously approved assisted-living use apartments, to independent community-living use apartments, (e) All ancillary site works. The Sisters of Mercy Convent Doon is on the NIAH(National Inventory of Architectural Heritage) Schedule, Ref No. 21809006. The Convent building complex and curtilage is a candidate Protected Structure.

21/349 - Permission granted to Ballyhoura Rural Services CLG for material change of use of ground floor section in the North West corner of former St. Joseph's Secondary School to medical centre use, minor internal alterations, reroofing of lean-to roof section on North elevation with new velux type roof lights and all ancillary site works. Former St. Joseph's Secondary School is on the grounds of the Sisters of Mercy Convent Doon and this is on the NIAH(National Inventory of Architectural Heritage) Schedule, Ref No. 21809006. The Convent building complex and curtilage is a candidate Protected Structure.

21/1819 – Application for amendments to previously approved planning permissions 19/149 & 20/539 for development comprising: amendments to the North Main Street elevation(R505), demolition of existing ground floor corridor sections running parallel with Main Street(R505) and replacement with recessed landscaped courtyard spaces, addition of two extra ground floor onebedroom apartments within the original building footprint, bringing the total number of apartments to 23no., change of use from 23no. assisted-living use apartments to independent community-living use apartments, relocation of the utility/ESB substation building to the Southern car park area and all ancillary site works. Sisters of Mercy Convent Doon is on the NIAH(National Inventory of Architectural Heritage) Schedule, Ref. No. 21809006. The Convent building complex and curtilage is a candidate Protected Structure withdrawn.

20/539 – Permission was granted subject to 5no. conditions for amendments to planning reference 19/149 consisting of (1)amendments to layouts and elevations of apartments no.s 7 & 16, 8 & 17, 9 & 18, 10 & 19, and additional apartment no.21, (2)provision of guest bedroom suite in ground floor central convent building, (3)provision of a commercial kitchen in the new build east block, (4)provision of restaurant seating in the ground floor east convent building, (5)new door to restaurant terrace in existing window ope on the south elevation of the central convent building, (6)provision of solar PV panels on the south facing roof of the central three storey convent block, (7)and additional parking. Sisters of Mercy Convent Doon is on the NIAH (National Inventory of Architectural Heritage) Schedule, Ref No. 21809006 and the Convent buildings complex and curtilage is a Candidate Protected Structure.

19/149: Conditional permission to Ballyhoura Rural Services CLG for conversion/change of use from three storey convent building to accommodate 20 no. assisted living apartments and associated care/support facilities. The proposed works consist of the following: the provision of a new entrance roadway to the east side onto main street, removal of later 20th century extensions, addition of two three storey extensions, alterations to the internal layout, repairs to the fabric of the building, and all associated site works. Sisters of Mercy Convent Doon is on the NIAH (National Inventory of Architectural Heritage) schedule Ref. No. 21809006.

14/1210: The demolition of the former St. Joseph's Secondary School building and associated school buildings and remedial & associated site works.

#### **Enforcement History**

N/A

#### **Relevant An Bord Pleanála referrals**

N/A

### **Assessment**

Consideration as to whether a development constitutes exempted development or not is governed by Sections 4 and 5 of the Planning and Development Act 2000 (as amended) and Articles 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10 and 11 of the Planning and Development Regulations 2001 (as amended).

#### **Is the proposal development?**

**Section 2(1)** in this Act, except where otherwise requires –

‘works’ includes any act or operation of construction, excavation, demolition, extension, alteration, repair or renewal.

‘structure’ as any building, structure, excavation, or other thing constructed or made on, in or under any land, or part of a structure so defined, and –

(a) Where the context so admits, includes the land on, in or under which the structure is situated.

**Section 3(1)** defines ‘development’ as ‘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’.

The proposed development on site, comprising a sensory garden and sensory room constitutes ‘works’ and ‘development’.

#### **Is the proposal exempted development?**

The proposal is for the development of a sensory garden and the change of use from a meeting room to a sensory room. Following a site inspection on the 22<sup>nd</sup> March 2025 it was noted that there are a number of buildings within the complex and large lawn area. It is proposed to construct a sensory garden within the existing complex and this does not fall within any class of exemption within the Regulations.

The other element of this proposal is the change of use from the meeting room to a sensory room. There does not appear to be any relevant class of exempted development that this proposal falls into. Therefore, the proposal would require planning permission and is not considered to be exempt development.

### **Article 9 Restrictions**

The Convent is a candidate protected structure and this site is within the same complex. However, the building and lawn in question are far removed from the convent. Therefore, it is not considered the restriction is applicable here for protected structures.

Documentation submitted with the application identify the existing use of the building as for community use, meeting room and ancillary facilities including wc, locker room etc. I cannot find a more recent grant of planning permission for this use. A review of the planning history on the site, the most relevant recent planning application, Ref. No. 14/1210 (albeit this application was refused), shows the use of the subject building is as a store. Therefore, I consider that the current use of the building as a community meeting room may be unauthorised. In this regard, the current proposal would not be Exempted Development having regard to Article 9(1)(a) if the carrying out of such development would— (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,

### **Appropriate Assessment**

An AA Screening examination has been undertaken (see Appendix 1). Overall it is considered that the development as proposed should not exercise a significant effect on the conservation status of any SAC or SPA as there are no source-pathway-receptors and the site does not directly encroach on any Natura 2000 European Sites. Therefore, an Appropriate Assessment is not necessary (See appendix 1 for AA Screening Form).

### **Environmental Impact Assessment**

An EIA Screening examination has been undertaken (see Appendix 2). Based on a preliminary examination of the proposal there is no real likelihood of significant effects on the environment and EIA is not required.

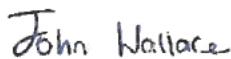
**Conclusion/Recommendation**

The proposed development of a sensory garden and sensory room as detailed on the application and plans submitted does not fall within any class of exempted development as contained in the Planning and Development Regulations 2001 (as amended). In addition, as the existing use of the structure would appear to be unauthorised, the proposal cannot be considered exempted development having regard to Article 9(1)(a) if the carrying out of such development would—(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.

Regard has been had to –

- a) Section 2, 3 and 4 of the Planning and Development Act 2000 (as amended)
- b) The plans & particulars submitted with the application received on the 20<sup>th</sup> March 2025.

It is therefore considered that the said works are development and not exempted development under the Planning and Development Regulations 2001 (as amended).



John Wallace  
A/Executive Planner

Date 04/04/2025

  
Agreed

Jennifer Collins  
A/Senior Executive Planner

Date: 23/04/2025

**Appendix 1- AA Screening examination**  
**AA PN01 Screening Form**

<b>STEP 1: Description of the project/proposal and local site characteristics:</b>	
<b>a. File Reference No:</b>	EC/058/25
<b>b. Brief description of the project or plan:</b>	<p>This is an application requesting a Section 5 Declaration on whether the following works are or are not development or are or not exempted development:</p> <p>Change of use from a meeting room to a sensory room</p> <p>Develop the lawn into a sensory garden</p>
<b>c. Brief description of site characteristics:</b>	Doon Social Farm is located in the eastern extent of Doon and within the curtilage of Doon Convent which is a candidate protected structure. There is an access onto the R505 and the 50km speed limit is in place.
<b>d. Relevant prescribed bodies consulted:</b> e.g. DHLGH (NPWS), EPA, OPW	N/A
<b>e. Response to consultation:</b>	N/A

European Site (code)	List of Qualifying Interest/Special Conservation Interest <sup>1</sup>	Distance from proposed development <sup>2</sup> (km)	Connections (Source-Pathway-Receptors)	Considered further in screening Y/N
002137 Lower River Suir SAC	<a href="#">Lower River Suir SAC   National Parks &amp; Wildlife Service (npws.ie)</a>	7.6km	None	No
004165 Slievefelim to Silvermine Mountains SPA	<a href="#">Slievefelim to Silvermines Mountains SPA   National Parks &amp; Wildlife Service (npws.ie)</a>	3km	None	No
001432 Glenstal Wood SAC	<a href="#">Glenstal Wood SAC   National Parks &amp; Wildlife Service (npws.ie)</a>	11.7km	None	No
001847 Philipston Marsh SAC	<a href="https://www.npws.ie/protected-sites/sac/001847">https://www.npws.ie/protected-sites/sac/001847</a>	6.4km	None	No
002165 Lower River	<a href="#">Lower River Shannon SAC   National Parks &amp; Wildlife Service (npws.ie)</a>	1.7km	None	No

Shannon SAC				
001197 Keeper Hill SAC	<a href="https://www.npws.ie/protected-sites/sac/001197">https://www.npws.ie/protected-sites/sac/001197</a>	14.7km	None	No

<sup>1</sup> Short paraphrasing and/or cross reference to NPWS is acceptable – it is not necessary to reproduce the full text on the QI/SCI.

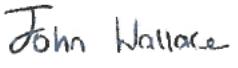
<sup>2</sup> if the site or part thereof is within the European site or adjacent to the European site, state here

<b>STEP 3: Assessment of Likely Significant Effects</b>	
<b>(a) Identify all potential direct and indirect impacts that may have an effect on the conservation objectives of a European site, taking into account the size and scale of the project under the following headings:</b>	
<b>Impacts:</b>	<b>Possible Significance of Impacts: (duration/Magnitude etc)</b>
<b>Construction phase e.g.</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Vegetation clearance</li> <li>- Demolition</li> <li>- Surface water runoff from soil excavation/infill/landscaping (including borrow pits)</li> <li>- Dust, noise, vibration</li> <li>- Lighting disturbance</li> <li>- Impact on groundwater/dewatering</li> <li>- Storage of excavated/construction materials</li> <li>- Access to site</li> <li>- Pests</li> </ul>	None. No direct encroachment or hydrological connection.
<b>Operation phase e.g.</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Direct emission to air and water</li> <li>- Surface water runoff containing contaminant or sediment</li> <li>- Lighting disturbance</li> <li>- Noise/vibration</li> <li>- Changes to water/groundwater due to drainage or abstraction</li> <li>- Presence of people, vehicles and activities</li> <li>- Physical presence of structures (e.g. collision risk)</li> <li>- Potential for accidents or incidents</li> </ul>	None. No direct encroachment or hydrological connection.
<b>In-combination/Other</b>	N/A given the level of development in the area.

<b>(b) Describe any likely changes to the European site:</b>	
Examples of the type of changes to give consideration to include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Reduction or fragmentation of habitat area</li> <li>- Disturbance to QI species</li> </ul>	None. No direct encroachment or hydrological connection.

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Habitat or species fragmentation</li> <li>- Reduction or fragmentation in species density</li> <li>- Changes in key indicators of conservation status value (water or air quality etc)</li> <li>- Changes to areas of sensitivity or threats to QI</li> <li>- Interference with the key relationships that define the structure or ecological function of the site</li> </ul>	
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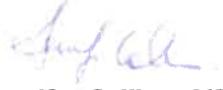
<b>(c) (Are 'mitigation' measures necessary to reach a conclusion that likely significant effects can be ruled out at screening?)</b>
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No

<b>STEP 4: Screening Determination Statement</b>		
<b>The assessment of significance of effects:</b>		
Describe how the proposed development (alone or in-combination is/is not likely to have significant effects on European site (s) in view of its conservation objectives		
No effects have been identified on any designated sites		
<b>Conclusion:</b> Given the sites size, no hydrological connection to any SAC/SPA, the site does not encroach on any SAC/SPA and the scale of the development, An AA Screening is not required.		
	Tick as appropriate:	Recommendation:
(i) It is clear that there <b>is no likelihood</b> of significant effects on a European Site	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	The proposal can be screened out: Appropriate Assessment not required.
(ii) It is <b>uncertain</b> whether the proposal will have a significant effect on a European Site	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> Request further information to complete screening <input type="checkbox"/> Request NIS <input type="checkbox"/> Refuse planning permission
(iii) <b>Significant effects</b> are likely	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> Request NIS <input type="checkbox"/> Refuse planning permission
<b>Signature and Date of Recommending Officer:</b>	 John Wallace, A/Executive Planner 04/04/25	
<b>Signature and Date of the Decision Maker:</b>		

	<p>Jennifer Collins, A/Senior Executive Planner 23/04/2025</p>
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**Appendix 2 – EIA Screening**

<b>Establishing if the proposal is a 'sub-threshold development':</b>		
Planning Register Reference:	EC-058-25	
Development Summary:	Sensory room and sensory garden	
Was a Screening Determination carried out under Section 176A-C?	<input type="checkbox"/>	Yes. no further action required
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No. Proceed to <b>Part A</b>
<b>A. Schedule 5 Part 1</b> - Does the development comprise a project listed in Schedule 5, <b>Part 1</b> , of the Planning and Development Regulations 2001 (as amended)? (Tick as appropriate)		
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes. specify class: [insert here] _____		<b>EIA is mandatory</b> No Screening required
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No		Proceed to <b>Part B</b>
<b>B. Schedule 5 Part 2</b> - Does the development comprise a project listed in Schedule 5, <b>Part 2</b> , of the Planning and Development Regulations 2001 (as amended) and does it meet/exceed the thresholds? (Tick as appropriate)		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No. the development is not a project listed in Schedule 5, Part 2		<b>No Screening required</b>
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes the project is listed in Schedule 5, Part 2 and meets/exceeds the threshold, specify class (including threshold): [specify class & threshold here] _____		<b>EIA is mandatory</b> No Screening required
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes the project is of a type listed but is <i>sub-threshold</i> : [insert here] _____		Proceed to <b>Part C</b>
<b>C. If Yes</b> , has Schedule 7A information/screening report been submitted?		
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes, Schedule 7A information/screening report has been submitted by the applicant		<b>Screening Determination required</b>
<input type="checkbox"/> No, Schedule 7A information/screening report has not been submitted by the applicant		<b>Preliminary Examination required</b>
<b>Signature and Date of Recommending Officer:</b>		 John Wallace A/Executive Planner 09/04/2025

<b>Signature and Date of the Decision Maker:</b>	 <b>Jennifer Collins, A/Senior Executive Planner 22/04/2025</b>
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**Appendix 3 – Site Inspection Photographs**







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Dooradoyle, Limerick  
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## PLANNING & PLACE-MAKING

### REG POST:

**Marian Clarke,  
Doon Social Farm,  
Doon,  
Co. Limerick  
V94I2T0**

**EC/058/25**

23 April 2025

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### Re: Declaration under Section 5

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Dear Sir/Madam,

I refer to the above application for Section 5 Declaration on Development and Exempted Development.

Please find herewith a copy of Council's decision on same.

Yours faithfully,

*Karen Conlon*  
**(for) Senior Planner,  
Development Management**

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**LIMERICK CITY & COUNTY COUNCIL**

**APPROVED OFFICER'S ORDER**

**SECTION 5 – DECLARATION ON DEVELOPMENT AND EXEMPTED DEVELOPMENT**

No. AOO/DC/2025/398

**File Ref No. EC/058/25**

**SUBJECT:** Declaration under Section 5.  
Planning and Development Act 2000 as amended  
Planning and Development Regulations 2001 as amended

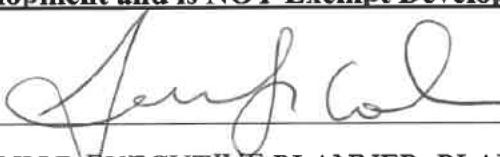
**RE:** **A change of use from a meeting room to a sensory room and develop the lawn into a sensory garden at Doon Social Farm, Doon, Co. Limerick V94I2T0**

**ORDER:** Whereas by Director General's Order No. DG/2024/122 dated 27<sup>th</sup> November 2024, Dr. Pat Daly, Director General, Limerick City & County Council did, pursuant to the powers conferred on him by Section 154 of the Local Government Act, 2001, (as amended by the Local Government Reform Act, 2014 and the Local Government (Mayor of Limerick) and Miscellaneous Provisions Act, 2024), delegate unto Jennifer Collins, A/Senior Executive Planner the functions as defined in the Local Government Acts, 1925 to 2024.

Now therefore pursuant to the delegation of the functions aforesaid, I, Jennifer Collins, A/Senior Executive Planner, having considered the report and recommendation of John Wallace, A/Executive Planner dated 04/04/2025, hereby order that a Declaration under Section 5 of the Planning and Development Act 2000 (as amended) be issued to Marian Clarke, Doon Social Farm, Doon, Co. Limerick, V94I2T0 to state that the works as described above is

**Development and is NOT Exempt Development.** *pl*

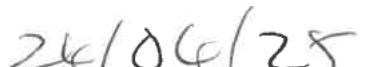
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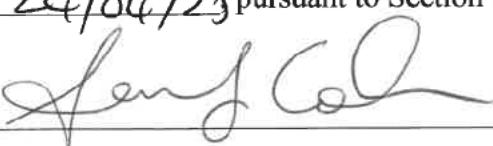
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Certified to be a true copy of Approved Officer's Order, Planning & Development Order No. AOO/DC/2025/398 dated 24/04/25 pursuant to Section 151(7) of the Local Government Act 2001

Signed:



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## **SECTION 5 – DECLARATION ON DEVELOPMENT AND EXEMPTED DEVELOPMENT**

**DECLARATION NO.**

**EC/058/25**

**Name and Address of Applicant:** Marian Clarke, Doon Social Farm, Doon, Co. Limerick V94I2T0

**Agent:** N/A

**Whether** the change of use from a meeting room to a sensory room and develop the lawn into a sensory garden at Doon Social Farm, Doon, Co. Limerick V94I2T0 is or is not Development or is or is not Exempted Development. The works as described on the plans submitted with the application on the 28<sup>th</sup> of March 2025.

**AND WHEREAS** the Planning Authority has concluded that change of use from a meeting room to a sensory room and develop the lawn into a sensory garden at Doon Social Farm, Doon, Co. Limerick V94I2T0 **DOES NOT** come within the scope of exempted development as defined under the Planning and Development Regulations 2001 (as amended). See Report attached.

**NOW THEREFORE** the Planning Authority in exercise of the powers conferred on it by Section 5(2) (a) of the Planning and Development Act 2000 (as amended) hereby decides that the said development as described above is **Development and is NOT Exempt Development**.

Signed on behalf of the said Council

*Karen Conlon*

Date: 26/04/2025

**NOTE:** A Declaration on Development or Exemption issued by Limerick City & County Council may be referred to An Bord Pleanála on payment of €220 for review within 4 weeks after the issuing of the declaration.