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Date: 15/01/2021

Dear Sir/Madam,

### Re: Zoning Submission For Existing Lands At Drumlish, Co. Longford For Mr. Seamus McGovern (Folio No. LD12819F).

I refer to the above and I wish to inform the relevant parties that I as Chartered Engineer and Assigned Certifier am familiar with the above-mentioned property and I attach in *Appendix A* a screenshot from Landdirect which shows Mr. Seamus McGovern's landholding at this location. In addition please find attached in *Appendix B* the relevant Draft Zoning Map of Drumlish for the proposed County Development Plan 2021 – 2027 which shows the lands in question outlined in blue and denoted with the letter "A" for ease of reference. It is evident from this Draft Zoning Map that these portions of land are shown zoned "Strategic Residential Reserve".

It is our professional opinion that the subject lands shown outlined in blue and denoted with the letter "A" should be zoned "Site Resolution Objective". The reason being is that this zoning allows for a mix of uses for the regeneration of the area. The lands in question had the benefit of full planning permission under planning reference No. PL05/364 a copy of which is attached herewith in *Appendix C* for ease of reference to fill the existing lands with soils and subsoils to bring it up to a certain level. I hereby confirm that the permitted levels have not yet been achieved and the lands remain in <u>an unfinished state</u>. The reason that the lands were never completed to the permitted levels was because of the economic downturn that occurred <u>like so many other sites</u> during the lifetime of the permission and as a result there was no fill material available from construction sites to fill same.

I hereby confirm that there is now demand for sites that can receive such fill material and I hereby confirm that Mr. McGovern intends to complete same subject to the necessary consents.

It is our professional opinion that by changing the zoning of the lands to "Site Resolution

Objective" will allow for consent applications to be made which would include bringing the

lands up to the previously permitted levels will help ensure that the proposed village walkway

with recreation/amenity/green open space alongside same as shown on the Draft Zoning Map

of Drumlish for the proposed County Development Plan 2021 - 2027 attached in Appendix B

will be constructed. In the event that should the lands be zoned "Site Resolution Objective"

then Mr. McGovern will then apply for the necessary consent to complete the site to the

previously granted levels and also construct the village walkway with supporting green area

which will benefit the area in which the lands in question are located. The construction of The

Village Walkway through these lands will provide connectivity to the walkway that a

neighbouring landowner to the north must construct along the mill river to service a newly

constructed housing estate of 16 No. dwelling houses.

This walkway that the neighbouring landowner to the north must construct will open up the

existing pond which is located on the mill river at the position shown coloured blue on the

attached ordnance survey map attached in Appendix C. This pond was used in times past to

create a strong flow of water in the mill race to drive the mill wheel in the existing mill building

which is a focal building when travelling into Drumlish from the northern direction. This pond

is currently inaccessible by the public however in the event that should the lands subject to this

submission be zoned "Site Resolution Objective" and the proposed Village Walkway through

the subject lands be completed as a result of this proposed zoning then this area would become

an import focal point and feature in this locality for the enjoyment of both the residents of the

existing estate to the north and also the general public who would use the proposed Village

Walkway.

In addition to this once The Village Walkway is constructed through Mr. McGovern's lands

then this walkway can connect in with the existing public footpath which services the adjoining

public road and provide connectivity into the Town Core of Drumlish and the services that same

provides.

Should you require any further clarity then please do not hesitate to contact me.

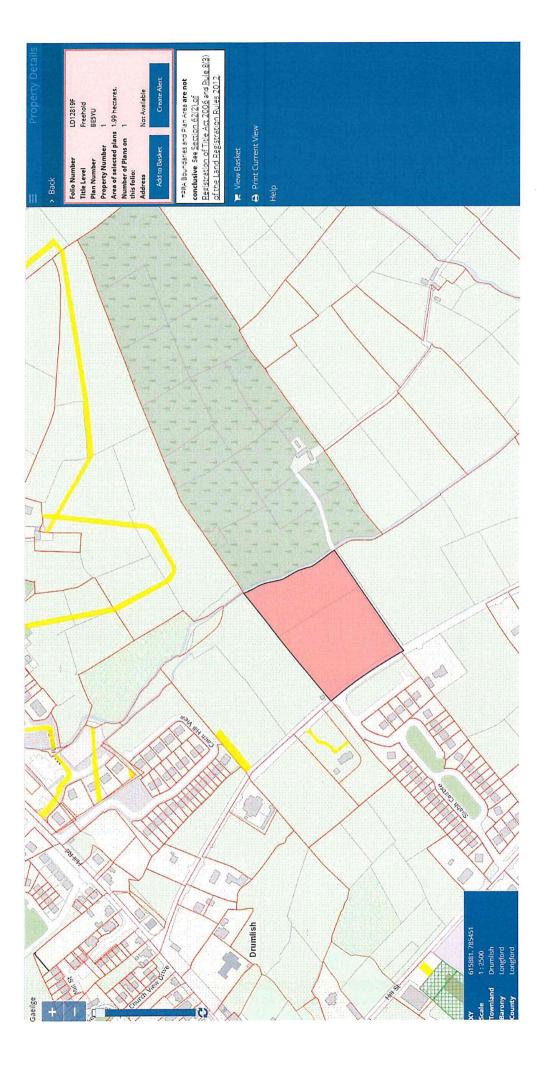
Yours sincerely,

Signed:

Mark Cunningham, BEng, MSc, CEng, MIEI.

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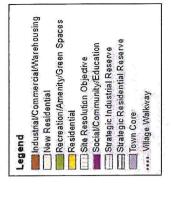
## Appendix A



## Appendix B

County Development Plan 2021-2027 Drumlish Zoning Map









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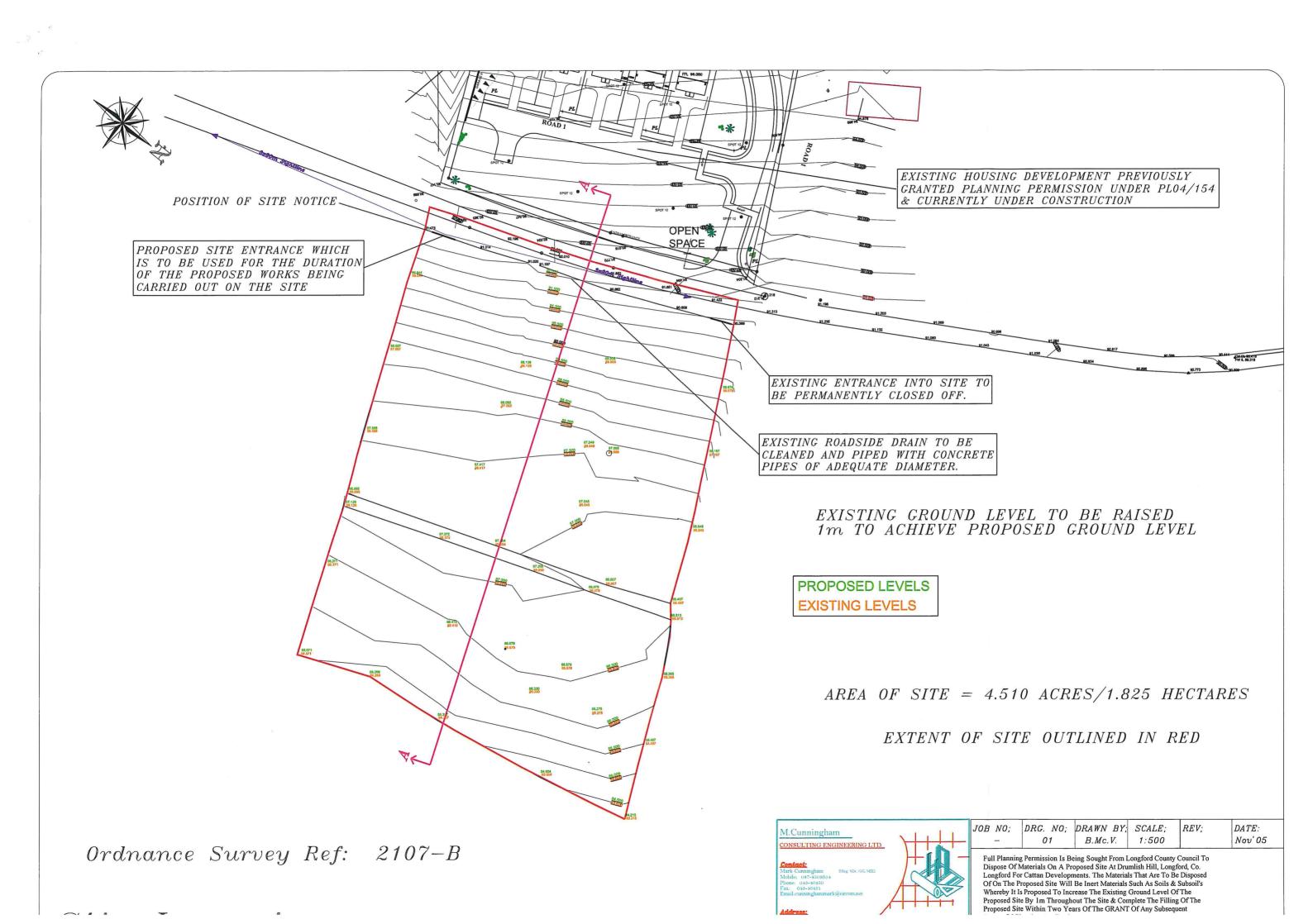
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## Appendix C

Planning Reference: 05/364	Date Received: 28/07/2005
,	Decision Due:
	Area:
Cattan Developments	,
Mark Cunningham	
4, Earl Street	
Longford	
Nature of Development:	4
PERMISSION for disposal of materials on	site at Drumlish Hill The
materials come under the classes of activity, in accordance with the Fourth Schedule of the Waste Management Act 1996 at Drumlish Hill	
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Chief Fire Officer) attached	Notice on Site:
Road Design)	The Longford News:
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# Appendix D

