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Our Ref: 220403

**Re: Arboricultural response to Item 6 of the Additional Information request, registration reference SDZ22A/0011.**

Dear Sir/Madam,

On behalf of the Department of Education and Skills (the 'Applicant'), the following documents have been updated to respond, in part, to Item 6 of the Additional Information request, registration reference SDZ22A/0011, for the proposed primary school development at Thomas Omer Road, Kishoge, Co. Dublin (the 'Application Site').

Document	Reference
Arboricultural Report	220403-PD-11-B
Tree Schedule	220403-PD-10
Tree Work Schedule	220403-PD-12-B
Tree Survey & Constraints Plan	220403-P-10-B
Tree Removals Plan	220403-P-11-B
Tree Protection Plan	220403-P-12-B

Item 6(a) part (i) requests '*The protection and enhancement of the hedgerow network, in particular, hedgerows that form townland, parish and barony boundaries*'

The proposal has been revised to reduce the quantity of trees and hedgerows to be removed and to reduce the level of impact on the trees and hedgerows now being retained. The updated Arboricultural Report and Tree Protection Plan provide detailed information on how the retained trees and hedgerow networks will be safeguarded during construction.

The hedgerows being retained are all located outside the Application Site boundary, so any enhancement works in the form of pruning or restocking must be undertaken by the owner of the hedgerows. The enhancement works that may be appropriate, would include minor pruning of lateral growth and restocking any gaps that are present. Any works associated with

the southernmost boundary hedgerow (H18) should be discussed on site with the ecological consultant considering its historical age and value.

Item 6(a) part (ii) requests *'The amount of trees and hedgerow being removed and the amount of compensatory/replacement hedgerow being planted as part of the proposals'*

The proposed tree and hedgerow removals are detailed within the Arboricultural Report, specifically the Tree Work Schedule and the Tree Removals Plan.

In total, two trees, 41 linear metres of hedging, and 451m<sup>2</sup> of tree groups are required to be removed. The compensatory planting to replace these removals is outlined within the detailed Landscape Plan which has been produced by Casey Planning & Landscape Consultancy. This includes a mixture of trees, hedgerows, shrubs, and wildflower planting that is suitable to the site's use and its environment.

Item 6(b) part (i) requests *'A tree and hedgerow protection plan, indicating: Revision of tree and hedgerow protection plan to reflect revised design to create Strategic and Local Green Corridors'*

The Arboricultural Report, which includes a detailed Method Statement and Tree Protection Plan, has been updated to reflect the revised layout and provide the information required to ensure all retained trees and hedgerows can be sufficiently safeguarded during the construction of the development.

A response for Item 6(b) part (ii) will be provided by the Landscape Architect as it is not an arboricultural query.

If you have any queries regarding the above please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours faithfully,



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