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Re: Proposed Variation no. 3 to the Joint Spatial Plan for the Greater Carlow Graiguecullen Urban Area 2012 – 2018 (incorporating the Carlow Town Development Plan 2012 – 2018) as extended

Dear Sir/Madam,

Transport Infrastructure Ireland (TII) acknowledges receipt of referral of Proposed Variation no. 3 to the Joint Spatial Plan for the Greater Carlow Graiguecullen Urban Area 2012 – 2018 (incorporating the Carlow Town Development Plan 2012 – 2018). In relation to the specific revisions included in Proposed Variation no. 3, the following observations are provided for the Councils consideration.

Proposed Revision 3(a)

The Authority notes proposals to revise the zoning designation on 'Opportunity Site 10: Former Braun Site, O'Brien Road' from 'Industrial' to 'Enterprise and Employment'.

While TII acknowledges the urban location of the site, direct access is provided to the N80 strategic national road corridor.

The Council will be aware of the Authority's initial submission on development proposals at Opportunity Site 10 outlined in observations submitted in relation to the Carlow Town Development Plan Review (Joint Spatial Plan for the Greater Carlow Graiguecullen Urban Area, 2012 - 2018) on 20 April, 2012.

TII outlined the following observations;

While Opportunity Site 10 (Former Braun Site), Opportunity Site 13 (Former Erin Foods Site) and Opportunity Site 14 (Former Lapple Site) adjoin the N80 at a location where a 50kph speed limit applies, the Authority recommends that the traffic impact of development of the three sites (individually and cumulatively) is assessed to determine that the existing national road network can continue to fulfil its strategic function and to identify required improvements to the network to facilitate the planned development of the sites and the continued efficient and safe operation of the strategic national road network in accordance with the provisions of TRANS P02.

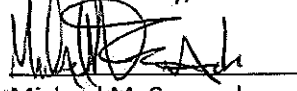
TII has no specific observations to make in relation to the zoning alteration but would advise that the comments previously made on the site concerned remain the position of the Authority.

TII has no observations to make in relation to the other aspects of Proposed Variation no. 3.

Conclusion

It is requested that the foregoing observations are taken into consideration prior to the adoption of Proposed Variation no. 3 to the Joint Spatial Plan for the Greater Carlow Graiguecullen Urban Area, 2012 – 2018, (incorporating the Carlow Town Development Plan, 2012 – 2018) as extended.

Yours sincerely,



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