



15 February 2021

**Withdrawal of Development Consent Application for Wylfa Newydd Nuclear Power Station**

To: Director of Planning Services, City and County Councils

CC: Chief Executives, City and County Councils

Senior Planners, City and County Councils

An Bord Pleanála (for information only)

**By email only**

Dear Director of Planning Services,

As you may be aware, a transboundary EIA notification was received from the Planning Inspectorate UK in July 2018, regarding the proposed development consent application by Horizon Nuclear Power for the proposed Wylfa Newydd Nuclear Power Station, in Anglesey, North Wales, United Kingdom. For information, I have attached the letter that issued from the Department to local authorities concerning this matter.

Subsequently, local authorities, in conjunction with the Department, facilitated a national public consultation on the proposed development during the period between November 2018 and February 2019, with the consultation formally closing for receipt of submissions on 15 February 2019.

On 27 January 2021, the Planning Inspectorate informed the Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage that the application made by Horizon Nuclear Power for the proposed Wylfa Newydd Nuclear Power Station **has been withdrawn**.

Article 132(6) and (7) of the Planning and Development Regulations 2001 – 2021 (the PDR) require that where the Minister is forwarded a decision from a transboundary state to grant or refuse an application for consent, the Minister must notify planning authorities



likely to be affected, who in turn are required to publish a newspaper notice informing the public of the decision.

As the information received on the 27 January is technically not a decision, article 132 of the PDR does not apply. However, in view of the fact that a national public consultation was held on this proposed development, the Department has decided to publish the attached newspaper notice in the Irish Times, Irish Independent and Irish Examiner. The notice will appear in tomorrow's edition, on Tuesday 16 February 2021. The Department's public consultation page for the Wylfa Newydd application will be updated accordingly.

You may wish to provide an update on your local authority's website, by uploading the attached notice and/or providing a link to the Department's updated public consultation webpage which will be available tomorrow.

Further details on the withdrawal of the application and all other related documents are located on the UK Planning Inspectorate (PINS) website.

<https://infrastructure.planninginspectorate.gov.uk/projects/wales/wylfa-newydd-nuclear-power-station/>

If you have any questions please get in touch. Any such queries should be addressed to [transboundaryeia@housing.gov.ie](mailto:transboundaryeia@housing.gov.ie) or contact Declan Grehan on (01) 888 2561.

Yours Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Declan Grehan".

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Declan Grehan

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