NOTICE OF A COMPULSORY PURCHASE ORDER FOR THE PURPOSES OF THE HOUSING ACT, 1966 , TO BE PUBLISHED IN ACCORDANCE WITH ARTICLE 4 (a) OF THE THIRD SCHEDULE TO THE SAID ACT, AS AMENDED BY THE PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT ACTS 2000 – 2017.

COMPULSORY ACQUISITION OF LAND

Compulsory Purchase Order No. 2 of 2020

Shannon Road, Mountrath, Co Laois.

The County Council of Laois (hereinafter referred to as "the housing authority") in exercise of the powers conferred upon them by section 76 of the Housing Act, 1966, and the Third Schedule thereto (as amended by the Planning and Development Acts 2000 - 2017), have made an order entitled as above which is about to be submitted to An Bord Pleanála for confirmation. If confirmed, the order will authorise the housing authority to acquire compulsorily the land described in the Schedule for the purposes of the Housing Act, 1966.

Owners, lessees and occupiers of the land described in the Schedule will receive individual written notice.

The Housing Act, 1966, as amended, provides that the Board cannot confirm the order in respect of the land if an objection is made in respect of the acquisition by an owner, lessee or occupier of the land, and not withdrawn, until it has held an oral hearing into the objection and until it has considered the objection and the report of the person who held the oral hearing.

An Bord Pleanála has an absolute discretion under Section 218 of the Planning and Development Act, 2000 (as amended) to hold an oral hearing.

A copy of the order and of the maps referred to in it may be seen, by appointment, at the offices of Laois County Council, Áras an Chontae, Portlaoise, Co. Laois between the hours of **9.00 a.m. and 1.00 p.m. on working days between 6th October, 2020 and 6th November, 2020** and on our website at www.laois.ie. To make an appointment to view the CPO documents and maps please send an e-mail to vacanthomes@laoiscoco.ie.

Objections to the order should be addressed to An Bord Pleanála, 64 Marlborough Street, Dublin 1, D01 V902 so as to reach the Board before 5.00 p.m. on 6th November, 2020.

Dated this 17th September, 2020.

Evelyn Brownrigg

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