CORK COUNTY COUNCIL

DEVELOPMENT UNDER SECTION 179 OF THE PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT ACT, 2000 AND NOTICE PURSUANT TO THE REQUIREMENTS OF PART 8, ARTICLE 81 OF THE PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS, 2001 AS AMENDED

Notice is hereby given that Cork County Council proposes to carry out the following development:

**Water Rock Urban Expansion Area Infrastructure Works**

**Location:**

The proposed development will be carried out on lands in Water Rock and Knockgriffin to the north west of Midleton between the Midleton Northern Relief Road and Water Rock Road (L3618), along Castle Rock Avenue and at the junction of the Midleton Northern Relief Road and the Cork/ Midleton Road in Midleton.

In the Townlands of: Oatencake, Knockgriffin (Imokilly), Knockgriffin (Barrymore), Water Rock and Curragh.

**Nature and Extent of Proposed Development:**

The proposed development comprises the following infrastructure projects:

1. **Services Corridor Link Road** - Serviced roadway with footpaths and cycle tracks, public lighting and ancillary mains services within the roadway, connecting the Midleton Northern Relief Road to the Water Rock Road (L3618);

2. **Surface Water Drainage System** – consisting of gullies, pipes, manholes and underground attenuation tanks for Services Corridor Link Road and upgrade/ realignment of existing Water Rock Road and provision to accommodate future attenuated flows from the Urban Expansion Area;

3. **Junction Upgrade of Cork/ Midleton Road and Midleton Northern Relief Road** - comprising the reconfiguration of: junction layout; traffic signals; traffic markings and permitted movements;

4. **Traffic Management Measures for Water Rock Road (L3618)** – Erection of bollards within the existing Water Rock public road (L3618) each side of the railway line to close the level crossing to vehicular traffic. Railway level crossing to remain operational and access across the level crossing will be maintained for pedestrians and cyclists;

5. **Bridge over Railway and Extension to Services Corridor Link Road** – New bridge over the Cork to Midleton railway line connecting the Services Corridor Link Road to lands to the south of the railway line and new serviced road corridor with footpaths and cycle tracks to access the proposed railway stop and bridge and ancillary works;

6. **Railway Stop** – New railway stop along the Cork to Midleton railway line consisting of a platform and shelter, drop-off area, cycle parking, disabled parking and access, ticket machines and ancillary works;
7. **Upgrade/Realignment of Water Rock Road (L3618)** – Upgrade/realignment between the Carrigane Road and north of the railway line level crossing of Water Rock Road. This consists of (i) online upgrade of sections of the existing road by widening, re-surfacing and the provision of services and cyclist and pedestrian facilities and ancillary works; (ii) offline realignment of sections of the road through the provision of new serviced road corridor with footpaths and cycle facilities running parallel to the existing road and ancillary works;

8. **Wastewater Pumping Station** – To facilitate the pumping of wastewater from the Urban Expansion Area to the Carrigtwohill Wastewater Treatment Plant with provision for a future connection from other areas. The pumping station will consist of below ground chambers, above ground control building and kiosks located within a fenced and gated compound. An Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) screening determination has been made and concludes that there is no real likelihood of significant effects on the environment arising from the proposed development once standard industry environmental management systems are in place and an **EIA is not required**.

Plans and particulars of the proposed development will be available for inspection and/or purchase at a fee of €15 per set from November 9th 2018 up to and including December 7th 2018 as follows:

- Planning Counter, Ground Floor, County Hall, Cork between the hours of 09:00 to 17:00 on each working day;
- Cork County Council Midleton Area Engineer’s Office, The Lodge, Youghal Road, Midleton, Co. Cork between the hours of 09:00 to 17:00 on each working day;
- Cork County Council Cobh Area Engineer’s Office, Ballinglanna, Cobh, Co. Cork between the hours of 09:00 to 17:00 on each working day;
- Midleton Library, Main Street, Midleton Co. Cork between the hours of 09:30 and 17:30 between Tuesday and Saturday;
- Cobh Library, Arch Building, Casement Square, Cobh, Co. Cork between the hours of 09:30 and 17:30 between Tuesday and Saturday.

Plans and particulars are also available for inspection and to print as follows:

- Online via the Cork County Council website: https://www.corkcoco.ie/planning/housing-infrastructure-implementation-team;

A **Public Information Day** will be held on the 15th Nov 2018, 12:00 to 21:00 at the Midleton Park Hotel. This is an opportunity to view the plans and discuss these with Council Officials and Design Consultants. This will take place in the Garden Suite of the Midleton Park Hotel.

**Submissions and observations** with respect to the proposed development may be made on or before 13:00 on Friday December 21st 2018 as follows:

(a) Online on Cork County Council’s website at https://www.yourcouncil.ie or

(b) In writing and clearly marked ‘Part 8 – Water Rock UEA Infrastructure Works’ to Ross Palmer, A/Senior Planner, Housing Infrastructure Implementation Team, Cork County Council, County Hall, Carrigrohane Road, Cork, T12 R2NC

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A/Senior Planner       Dated 7th Nov 2018