

27 July 2022

Notification in accordance with Article 132(6) of the Planning and Development Regulations 2001- 2022

Decision on the Development Consent Application for the Sizewell C Nuclear Power Station, Suffolk, England.

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,

I am writing to inform you, in accordance with Article 132(6) of the Planning and Development Regulations 2001-2022, that the Minister has received information in relation to a decision taken by the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, to grant a Development Consent Order for the proposed Sizewell C Nuclear Power Station in Suffolk, England.

A transboundary EIA notification was received from the Planning Inspectorate UK in July 2020, regarding the proposed development consent application by NNB Generation Company (SZC) for the proposed Sizewell C Nuclear Power Station, in Suffolk, England, United Kingdom.

Subsequently, a nationwide transboundary public consultation was held on this proposed development. For information and ease of reference, I have attached the letter that issued by the Department on 12 August 2020, to all planning authorities, setting out the logistics of that public consultation.



On 20 of July 2022, in accordance with Article 6(2) of the Espoo Convention, the Planning Inspectorate UK, notified the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage of the decision taken by the Secretary of State, to grant a Development Consent Order for the Sizewell C Nuclear Power Station, in Suffolk. The decision letter can be found at the link below:

http://infrastructure.planninginspectorate.gov.uk/document/EN010012-011152

Article 132(6) and (7) of the Planning and Development Regulations 2001 – 2022 (the Regs) require that when the Minister receives information from a transboundary State in relation to a decision to grant or refuse a proposed development, the Minister must notify planning authorities likely to be affected, who in turn are required to publish a notice in an approved newspaper informing the public of the decision.

The Department has arranged for the attached notice to be published in the Irish Times, Irish Examiner and Irish Independent, on Friday 29 July next. Therefore, if your local authority proceeds to publish a notice in accordance with article 132(7) of the Regs, please use the attached notice as a template and <u>only publish</u> the notice in local papers.

You may also 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 available at the link below:

https://www.gov.ie/en/consultation/e21e9-transboundary-environmental-publicconsultation-sizewell-c-nuclear-power-station-suffolk-england-uk/

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

Yours Sincerely,

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