



**PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT ACT 2000 - SECTION 179
PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS 2001 - ARTICLE 81
NOTICE PURSUANT TO ARTICLE 81 OF PART 8 OF THE ABOVE
REGULATIONS ("THE REGULATIONS"), RELATING TO A PROPOSED
DEVELOPMENT BY DONEGAL COUNTY COUNCIL**

PROJECT NAME: CREESLOUGH COMMUNITY REGENERATION PROJECT

TAKE NOTICE that Donegal County Council ("the Council") proposes to carry out the development specified in paragraph (b) below and in relation thereto:-

- (a) The location of the development is on a site shown on a site location map included in the plans and particulars referred to at paragraph (e) below, which site is on lands generally to the rear (southwest) of St. Michaels Parish Church, Creeslough in the townland of Creeslough in the Glenties Municipal District.
- (b) The nature and extent of the proposed development is as follows:-
- Construction of a new Community hub type building with flexible multi-user spaces and accommodation solutions including: (i) at Ground Floor: a community & sports hall, gymnasium, changing rooms, showers, toilets, spectator terrace, comms room & storage; (ii) at First Floor: Office and reception space, public foyer, public toilets and a changing places facility, a multi-purpose community room with kitchen facilities, storage and a community consultation room;
 - Construction of a multi-purpose community field, MUGA and recreational track with replacement/upgraded flood lighting and with capacity for: civic, cultural, sporting, recreational, social gatherings and events;
 - A one way entry and exit traffic management arrangement and car parking facility including: adjustments to existing car parking arrangements, modified junction and road kerb alignments, improved pedestrian infrastructure and level grade crossing points, new high quality surface material finishes, street furniture and lighting, construction of 53no. car parking spaces and 2 no. bus parking spaces;
 - The construction of a community garden and landscaped public realm including: a community play park, allotments, potting shed, landscaping, seating, walks, coffee pavilion and outdoor seating area, bandstand/performance area, pop-up market space(s), universal access & permeability interventions and 8 no. parent & toddler, age friendly and disabled parking spaces;
 - All associated ancillary works to include: plant room and maintenance building, renewable technologies & EV charging points, nature-based solutions to rainwater management, site drainage; connection to public water supply and other services, enhancements to public lighting, landscaping, development related signage & public art, connection & discharge to the public sewerage network and removal of existing pre-fab;
 - A schedule of proposed uses for the Community Hub & Field is provided with the particulars referred to at paragraph (e) below.

All associated ancillary site works shall be located within the townland of Creeslough in the Glenties Municipal District.

- (c) The proposed development is sub-threshold for the purposes of Environmental Impact Assessment ("EIA") per Article 92 of the Regulations and the Council has concluded on the basis of a Preliminary Examination of the nature, location and size of the proposed development in accordance with Article 120 (1)(b)(i) thereof that there is no real likelihood of significant effects on the environment arising from the proposed development and that Environmental Impact Assessment ("EIA") is not required. A copy of this Preliminary Examination and conclusion will be available for inspection or purchase along with the documents referred to at paragraph (e) below.

Where however any person considers that the proposed development to be carried out by the Council would be likely to have significant effects on the environment, he or she may at any time before the expiration of 4 weeks beginning of the date of publication of this notice apply under Article 120(3)(b) of the Regulations to An Bord Pleanála (64 Marlborough Street, Rotunda, Dublin 1, D01 V902) for a screening determination as to whether the development would be likely to have such effects.

- (d) In order to ascertain whether the proposed development required Appropriate Assessment ("AA") the Council carried out a screening of same in accordance with Article 250(1) of the Regulations and made a determination in view of best scientific knowledge that the development individually or in combination with other plans or projects would not be likely to have a significant effect on a European site in view of the site's conservation objectives and that AA was not required. A copy of this determination including the main reasons and considerations on which the determination was based will be available for inspection or purchase along with the documents referred to at paragraph (e) below.

Where however any person considers that the proposed development to be carried out by the Council would be likely to have a significant effect on a European Site, he or she may apply under Article 250(3)(b) of the Regulations to An Bord Pleanála (64 Marlborough Street, Rotunda, Dublin 1, D01 V902) for a determination as to whether the development would be likely to have such significant effect and the Board will make a determination on the matter as soon as possible. Any application for such determination in order to be considered by the Board must state the reasons for the forming of the view that the development would be likely to have a significant effect on a European Site.

- (e) Plans and particulars of the proposed development will be available for inspection online at www.donegalcoco.ie or for inspection at the Council's offices below and purchase (at a fee not exceeding the reasonable cost of making a copy) at:

Location	Address	Telephone/email	Opening Hours
The Planning Department, Donegal County Council	County House, Lifford, Co. Donegal, F93 Y622		
Dungloe Public Services Centre	Gweedore Rd, Dungloe, Co. Donegal, F94 WV84	Tel: 074 9153900	9:00am - 12.30pm and 1.00pm - 4.30pm from Monday to Friday
Milford Public Services Centre	Main Street, Milford, Co. Donegal, F92 TDOP	Email: regeneration@donegalcoco.ie	
Letterkenny Public Services Centre	Neil T. Blaney Rd, Letterkenny, Co. Donegal, F92 TNY3		

The said plans and particulars will be available for inspection as above from **Thursday 27th July 2023 until Thursday 24th August 2023** (both dates inclusive).

- (f) Submissions and observations with respect to the proposed development, dealing with the proper planning and sustainable development of the area in which the development is situated may be made in writing to The Co. Secretariat, Donegal County Council, Lifford, County Donegal, before **4:30pm on Friday 8th September 2023**. **Please mark the front of the envelope with the project name as per the above schedule.**

**Liam Ward, Director of Service Community & Planning Services,
Donegal County Council, County House, Lifford.**

Date: Thursday 27th July 2023.