

**File Ref: DEC 23/1**

Planning Section  
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Date: 15/02/2023

HARVEST LODGE PIGS LTD  
C/O DAVID WYNNE,  
MOORES FORD,  
LATTIN,  
CO. TIPPERARY

**DEVELOPMENT:**

DECLARATION UNDER SECTION 5 OF THE PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT ACT, 2000 AS AMENDED IN RELATION TO WHETHER THE INCREASE IN PIG NUMBERS FROM 1,400 PIGS IN A BREEDING UNIT TO 6,400 PIGS IN AN INTEGRATED UNIT IS CONSIDERED A MATERIAL CHANGE OF USE. IS OR IS NOT DEVELOPMENT AND IS OR IS NOT EXEMPTED DEVELOPMENT.

**LOCATION:**

HARVEST LODGE PIGS LTD, GORTNAMUC,  
KILCOMRAC, CO. OFFALY R42 V079

Dear Sir/Madam,

In considering this application, it has been found necessary to request further information.

This further information request is set out on the attached form and is essential for a full and proper evaluation of the application.

Yours faithfully,

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**Administrative Officer**  
**Planning Section**

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Application for Declaration under Section 5 of the Planning and Development Acts, 2000 as amended in relation to whether the increase in pig numbers from 1,400 pigs in a breeding unit to 6,400 pigs in an integrated unit is considered a material change of use at Harvest Lodge Pigs Ltd, Gortnamuc, Kilcormac, Co. Offaly R42 V079 - Harvest Lodge Pigs Ltd.

***Further Information***

1. For the purposes of EIA sub threshold screening, please submit the following information as required under Schedule 7A of the Planning and Development Regulations 2001 – 2022 (as amended):
  - (a) A description of the proposed development, including in particular—
    - (i) a description of the physical characteristics of the whole proposed development and, where relevant, of demolition works, and;
    - (ii) a description of the location of the proposed development, with particular regard to the environmental sensitivity of geographical areas likely to be affected.
  - (b) A description of the aspects of the environment likely to be significantly affected by the proposed development.
  - (c) A description of any likely significant effects, to the extent of the information available on such effects, of the proposed development on the environment resulting from—
    - (i) the expected residues and emissions and the production of waste, where relevant, and;
    - (ii) the use of natural resources, in particular soil, land, water and biodiversity.
  - (d) The compilation of the information at paragraphs (a) to (c) shall take into account, where relevant, the criteria set out in Schedule 7.
  
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  - (a) The current number of sows and production pigs (over 30kg) and where they are housed on the subject site.
  - (b) Current gross floor area of the farm buildings located at the subject site.
  - (c) Details on the time period(s) associated with the increase in pig numbers from 1,400 pigs in a breeding unit to 6,400 pigs. In the response, it should be clear to the Planning Authority whether the increase was gradual (with approximate dates provided) or whether it took place within a short time period.
  - (d) Associated impacts as a result of the increase in pig numbers from 1,400 pigs in a breeding unit to 6,400 pigs i.e. traffic associated with deliveries to and from the subject site; increase in associated animal waste, increase in staff numbers, etc.

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