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Planning Section Áras An Chontae Charleville Road Tullamore Co. Offaly

Date: 3/9/2020

Tim Ryan. Clareen, Birr, Co Offaly RU2 DT72.

## **DEVELOPMENT:**

DECLARATION UNDER SECTION 5 OF THE PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT ACT, 2000 AS AMENDED IN RELATION TO THE INSTALLATION OF 12 NO. SOLAR PV PANELS 1.7M X 1M IN SIZE AND AN ALUMINIUM FRAME BOLTED TO CONCRETE ROOF OF RESERVOIR SET AT 30 DEGREES SOUTH

**LOCATION:** OFFALY.

CLASHROE, ROSCOMROE, ROSCREA, CO.

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,

Administrative Officer

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Application for Declaration under Section 5 of the Planning and Development Acts, 2000 as amended in relation to the installation of 12 no. solar PV panels 1.7m x 1m in size and an aluminium frame bolted to concrete roof of reservoir set at 30 degrees south at Clashroe, Roscomroe, Roscomroe, Co Offaly - Tim Ryan.

## **Further Information**

- 1. Confirmation that the roof of the reservoir is flat.
- 2. Submit a roof plan (to a scale of not less than 1:200) indicating the following:
  - (a) Location showing the setback of the panels from the edge of the roof.
  - (b) Amount of roof panels proposed showing the dimensions of the said panels.

When considering the amount and location of roof mounted solar panels, the Applicant is advised that planning permission is not required for roof mounted photo-voltaic solar panels if the <u>following criteria is adhered to:</u>

- 1. The total aperture area of any such panels, taken together with any other such panel previously placed on or within the said curtilage, shall not exceed 50 square metres or 50% of the total roof area, whichever is the lesser.
- 2. The solar panel shall be a minimum of 50cm from the edge of the wall or pitched roof on which it is mounted, or 2 metres in the case of a flat roof.
- 3. Any equipment associated with the panels, including water tanks, shall be located within the roof space of the building.
- 4. No sign, advertisement or object, not required for the functioning or safety of the panel shall be attached to or exhibited on the panels.
- 3. Having conducted a desktop research of the subject site, it appears that the reservoir has been constructed in recent years however the Planning Authority do not have any record of a grant of planning permission for its construction; please respond.

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