

Newspaper Notice appearing in Sligo Champion dated Wednesday 7th February, 2007

PROPOSED VARIATION OF SLIGO & ENVIRONS DEVELOPMENT PLAN

PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT ACTS 2000 – 2006

Sligo Borough Council propose to make a variation of the Sligo & Environs Development Plan 2004 – 2010 for the purpose of rezoning lands within the IDA Business Park at Knappagh More (Plot A), Rathedmond (Plot B) and Finisklin (Plot C) for Business, Industry and Technology Parks (B.I.T.P.).

	Site Area	Existing Zoning	Proposed Zoning
Plot A	0.903 hectares	R2 – Low to Medium Residential Density	BITP – Business, Industry and Technology Parks
Plot B	0.777 hectares	R2 – Low to Medium Residential Density	BITP – Business, Industry and Technology Parks
Plot C	1.188 hectares	CF – Community Facilities	BITP – Business, Industry and Technology Parks

Sligo Borough Council consider that the current zoning of the subject lands should be amended having regard to (a) their location within an established business park, (b) the development of a portion of the lands already for business related purposes (c) their ownership by IDA Ireland since the early nineties (i.e. prior to the adoption of the current statutory Development Plan) and (d) the zoning of the subject lands for industrial purposes in the previous statutory development plan.

Following screening and consultation with prescribed environmental authorities, the planning authority has determined that the Proposed Variation is not likely to have significant effects on the environment. Therefore, Strategic Environmental Assessment (S.E.A.) is not required. A copy of this decision is available for inspection at the locations listed below.

Public consultation is an essential part of the Development Plan Variation process. It is important therefore, that the proposed Variation is considered by all relevant parties.

A copy of the proposed Variation and the S.E.A. decision will be available for inspection from **Wednesday 7th February to Friday 9th March, 2007**, inclusive at the following locations:

Planning Section, Sligo Borough Council, City Hall, Sligo Town.	Monday 9.30am – 4.30pm (including lunchtimes)
Sligo Central Library, Stephen Street, Sligo.	Tuesday – Friday: 10am – 5pm Saturday: 10am – 1pm; 2pm – 5pm.
Sligo Reference Library, Westward Town Centre, Bridge Street, Sligo.	Monday – Friday 10am-12.45pm & 2p.m. – 4.45pm.
Sligo Area Office:	Monday–Friday 9am – 1pm & 2p.m. - 5p.m.
Sligo Borough Council website:	www.sligoborough.ie

Copies of the proposed Variation and the S.E.A. decision may be purchased during this period at the Planning Section, Sligo Borough Council, City Hall.

Your views on the proposed Variation are invited. Submissions or observations with respect to the proposed Variation should be made in writing (hard copy or email) and headed “Rezoning of Lands within IDA Business Park”. All submissions should be sent to: Ms. A. Jones, Administrative Officer, Planning & Roads Section, Sligo Borough Council, City Hall, Sligo, Tel (071) 9114401/9114429 Email: planning@sligoborough.ie

Any submission relating to a particular site should be accompanied by a map identifying the location concerned. All submissions received by **4.30pm on Friday 9th March, 2007**, and addressed as set out above will be taken into consideration before the making of the Variation.

A report with recommendations on all valid submissions or observations received will be prepared and presented to the Members of the Borough Council for their information. Closing date for submissions is **4.30pm on 9th March, 2007**.

**John McNabola
Town Clerk,
City Hall,
Quay Street,
Sligo**

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