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Case Number: ABP-322242-25

Re: Request for Further Information for Proposed works at Bruree bridge, Co. Limerick.

On behalf of our clients, Punch Consulting Engineers, in support of the above application and in response to the request for Further Information dated 26/06/2025, we enclose Further Information addressing the below point. *JCA Architects responses in blue.*

Item 1 Built Heritage – Protected Structure

It is noted that Bruree Bridge is listed, on the Record of Protected Structures (RPS) under the Limerick Development Plan 2022-2028 (RPS Reg. No. 1039), however no architectural heritage impact assessment/survey has been submitted with the application. In addition, it is noted that no method statement has been submitted.

The applicant is therefore requested to submit:

- (a) An Architectural Heritage Impact Assessment Report completed by a suitably accredited architectural heritage professional to include:
Enclosed is an AHIA by JCA Architects.
 - (i) A full set of survey drawings to a scale of not less than (1: 100) to include elevations, plans and sections of the structure;
Included as an appendix to the above AHIA.
 - (ii) the recording of the details and current condition;
Included within the AHIA and in the appendix survey drawings.
 - (iii) confirmation that the development will be monitored by a suitably qualified architect with conservation expertise and accreditation
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- (iv) and confirmation that competent site supervision, project management and crafts personnel will be engaged, suitably qualified and experienced in conservation works.
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- (b) A detailed method statement covering all works proposed to be carried out, including:
A method statement and scope of works forms part of the AHIA by JCA Architects
 - (i) A full specification, including details of material and methods, to ensure the development is carried out in accordance with the document: "Architectural Heritage Protection - Guidelines for Planning Authorities" (Department of Arts, Heritage and the Gaeltacht, 2011) and details for the protection of (specified features) during the construction works,
Included within the AHIA and in the appendix survey drawings.
 - (ii) methodology for the recording and/or retention of concealed features or fabric exposed during the works,
Included within the AHIA.
 - (iii) details of features to be temporarily removed/relocated during construction works and their final re-instatement,
Included where relevant and supplemented by Punch Consulting Engineers.
 - (iv) details of the replacement of any stonework or any works of re-pointing which shall be undertaken so that it matches the original existing bridge finish, and,
Included within the AHIA and in the appendix survey drawings.
 - (v) details to be accompanied by drawings of an appropriate scale of not less than [1 :50].
Included where relevant and supplemented by Punch Consulting Engineers.

- (c) A detailed construction methodology statement (including the results of detailed structural surveys of the protected structure and all elements to be retained) indicating the means proposed to ensure the protection of the structural stability and fabric of the structure. These details shall include demonstrating the methods proposed to part dismantle and re-instate the bridge structure and to retain other existing facades as proposed, any demolition and excavation arrangements, the proposed foundation system and any proposed underpinning, any structural bracing and support and method of construction.
Included where relevant and supplemented by Punch Consulting Engineers.