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Catherine Vaughan,
The Game Keepers Lodge,
Coolattin,
Shillelagh,
Co. Wicklow.
Y14 TD23

12th Of November 2026

RE: Declaration in accordance with Section 5 of the Planning & Development Acts 2000 (As Amended) -EX 129/2026

A Chara,

I enclose herewith Declaration in accordance with Article 5 (2) (A) of the Planning & Development Act 2000.

Where a Declaration is used under this Section any person issued with a Declaration under subsection (2) (a) may, on payment to An Coimisiún Pleanála of such fee as may be prescribed, refer a declaration for review by the Coimisiún within four weeks of the date of the issuing of the declaration by the Local Authority.

Is mise, le meas,

pp Joanne Byrne
ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER
PLANNING DEVELOPMENT & ENVIRONMENT

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DECLARATION IN ACCORDANCE WITH ARTICLE 5 (2) (A) OF THE PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT ACT 2000 AS AMENDED

Applicant: Catherine Vaughan

Location: The Game Keepers Lodge, Coolattin, Shillelagh, Co. Wicklow

Reference Number: EX129/2026

CHIEF EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. CE/PERD/2026/1375

A question has arisen as to whether *"solar panels on roof within curtilage of a Protected Structure" at* The Game Keepers Lodge, Coolattin, Shillelagh, Co. Wicklow is or is not exempted development.

Having regard to:

a) The details submitted on 13/10/2026 and 09/11/2026;
b) Sections 2, 3, 4 & 57 of the Planning and Development Act 2000 (as amended);
c) Articles 6 & 9 and Schedule 2, Pt.1 Class 2c of the Planning and Development Regulations 2001 (as amended);

Main Reasons with respect to Section 5 Declaration:

i. The placement of solar panels on roof within the curtilage of a protected structure would involve operations of construction and would therefore come within the meaning of works as set out in Section 2 of the Planning and Development Act 2000(as amended)
ii. These works are development having regard to the provisions of Section 3 of the Planning and Development Act 2000(as amended)
iii. The placement of solar panels on roof within the curtilage of a protected structure would come within the description set out in Class 2c: Part 1 of Schedule 2 of the Planning and Development Regulations 2001 (as amended) and is therefore exempted development.

The Planning Authority considers that *"solar panels on roof within curtilage of a Protected Structure" at* The Game Keepers Lodge, Coolattin, Shillelagh, Co. Wicklow **is development and is exempted development.**

Signed: Dianne Byrne. **Date:** 12/11/2026
pp **ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER**
PLANNING DEVELOPMENT & ENVIRONMENT

WICKLOW COUNTY COUNCIL

PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT ACTS 2000 (As Amended)
SECTION 5

CHIEF EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. CE/PERD/2026/1375

Reference Number:	EX 129/2026
Name of Applicant:	Catherine Vaughan
Nature of Application:	Section 5 Referral as to whether *"solar panels on roof within curtilage of a Protected Structure"* is or is not development and is or is not exempted development.
Location of Subject Site:	The Game Keepers Lodge, Coolattin, Shillelagh, Co. Wicklow
Report from:	Shane McCormack E.P

With respect to the query under Section 5 of the Planning & Development Act 2000 as to whether *"solar panels on roof within curtilage of a Protected Structure "at* The Game Keepers Lodge, Coolattin, Shillelagh, Co. Wicklow *is* or is not exempted development within the meaning of the Planning & Development Act 2000 (as amended)

Having regard to:

a) The details submitted on 13/10/2026 and 09/11/2026;
b) Sections 2, 3, 4 & 57 of the Planning and Development Act 2000 (as amended);
c) Articles 6 & 9 and Schedule 2, Pt.1 Class 2c of the Planning and Development Regulations 2001 (as amended);

Main Reasons with respect to Section 5 Declaration:

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ii. These works are development having regard to the provisions of Section 3 of the Planning and Development Act 2000(as amended)
iii. The placement of solar panels on roof within the curtilage of a protected structure would come within the description set out in Class 2c: Part 1 of Schedule 2 of the Planning and Development Regulations 2001 (as amended) and is therefore exempted development.

Recommendation

The Planning Authority, as recommended by the above named, considers that *"solar panels on roof within curtilage of a Protected Structure" at* The Game Keepers Lodge, Coolattin, Shillelagh, Co. Wicklow **is development and is exempted development** in accordance with reports prepared by the Planning Department.

Signed: Dianne Byrne **Date:** 12/11/2026

ORDER:

I HEREBY DECLARE:

THAT "*solar panels on roof within curtilage of a Protected Structure*" *at* The Game Keepers Lodge, Coolattin, Shillelagh, Co. Wicklow is **development and is exempted** development within the meaning of the Planning & Development Acts 2000 (as amended).

Signed: _____ Date: 12/11/2020.

T/ Senior Planner

Planning, Economic & Rural Development

WICKLOW COUNTY COUNCIL
PLANNING DEPARTMENT
Section 5 – Application for declaration of Exemption Certificate

TO:	**Edel Bermingham S.P. / Patrice Ryan S.E.P**
FROM:	**Shane McCormack E.P**
REF:	**EX 129/2026**
DECISION DUE:	**05/03/2025**
NAME:	**CATHERINE VAUGHAN**
DEVELOPMENT:	**SOLAR PANELS ON ROOF WITHIN THE CURTILAGE OF A PROTECTED STRUCTURE**
LOCATION:	**THE GAME KEEPERS LODGE, COOLATTIN, SHILLELAGH, CO. WICKLOW**

This application has been subject to a further information request. This report should be read in conjunction with the previous planning reports.

FURTHER INFORMATION was requested as follows:

Item 1

a) Please confirm that the distance between the plane of the roof and the solar panels does not exceed 50cm in the case of a flat roof or 15cm in any other case.
b) Please confirm that the solar panels are all a minimum of 50cm from the edge of the roof on which it is mounted.

Response: In response to the above the, the applicant has confirmed the above with the contracting solar engineer. This is **ACCEPTABLE.**

Conclusion
With respect to the query under Section 5 of the Planning and Development Act 2000 (as amended), as to whether the placement of

> Solar Panels on Roof within the curtilage of a protected structure at The Game Keepers Lodge, Coolattin, Shillelagh, co. Wicklow constitutes exempted development within the meaning of the Planning and Development Acts, 2000(as amended).

The Planning Authority considers that the proposal for Solar Panels on roof within the curtilage of a protected structure is **DEVELOPMENT** and is **EXEMPTED DEVELOPMENT**.

Main Considerations with respect to Section 5 Declaration:

i. The details submitted on 13/10/2026 and 09/11/2026;
ii. Sections 2, 3, 4 & 57 of the Planning and Development Act 2000 (as amended);
iii. Articles 6 & 9 and Schedule 2, Pt.1 Class 2c of the Planning and Development Regulations 2001 (as amended);

Main Reasons with respect to Section 5 Declaration:

i. The placement of solar panels on roof within the curtilage of a protected structure would involve operations of construction and would therefore come within the meaning of works as set out in Section 2 of the Planning and Development Act 2000(as amended)
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iii. The placement of solar panels on roof within the curtilage of a protected structure would come within the description set out in Class 2c: Part 1 of Schedule 2 of the Planning and Development Regulations 2001 (as amended) and is therefore exempted development.

Shane McCormack
Executive Planner
09/11/2026

11/11/2026

SECTION 5 TO ISSUE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE RECOMMENDATION ABOVE

Joanne Byrne

From: Catherine Vaughan <.....
Sent: Monday 9 November 2026 09:16
To: Planning - Planning and Development Secretariat
Subject: Application for certification of Exemption under Section 5 - EX129/2026
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Good morning

Further to our application and your response dates 5 November (enclosed), I am writing to confirm the two requirements will be met, i.e.:

1) the distance between the plane of the roof and the solar panels does not exceed 15cm

And

2) the solar panels will be set with a minimum of 50 from the edge of the roof on which it will be mounted.

The above has been confirmed with the contracting solar engineer.

I look forward to hearing from you with confirmation of receipt of this email and to the outcome of your decision. I can be contacted by this email ir by post.

Kind regards
Catherine

Catherine Vaughan
The Game Keeper's Lodge
Coolattin
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M: [redacted]

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5th November 2026

RE: Application for Certificate of Exemption under Section 5 of the Planning and Development Acts 2000 (as amended). – EX129/2026

A Chara

In respect of your query under Section 5 of the Planning and Development Act 2000 (as amended) received on 13th October 2026 in order to fully assess the exemption declaration request the following information should be submitted –

(a) Please confirm that the distance between the plane of the roof and the solar panels does not exceed 50cm in the case of a flat roof or 15cm in any other case.

(b) Please confirm that the solar panels are all a minimum of 50cm from the edge of the roof on which it is mounted.

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Deirdre Byrne.

A/STAFF OFFICER
PLANNING DEVELOPMENT AND ENVIRONMENT

WICKLOW COUNTY COUNCIL
PLANNING DEPARTMENT
Section 5 – Application for declaration of Exemption Certificate

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TO: Patrice Ryan SEP
FROM: Shane McCormack EP
REF: EX 129/2026
DECISION DUE DATE: 09/11/2026
APPLICANT: Catherine Vaughan
DEVELOPMENT: Solar Panels on Roof within the curtilage of a protected structure

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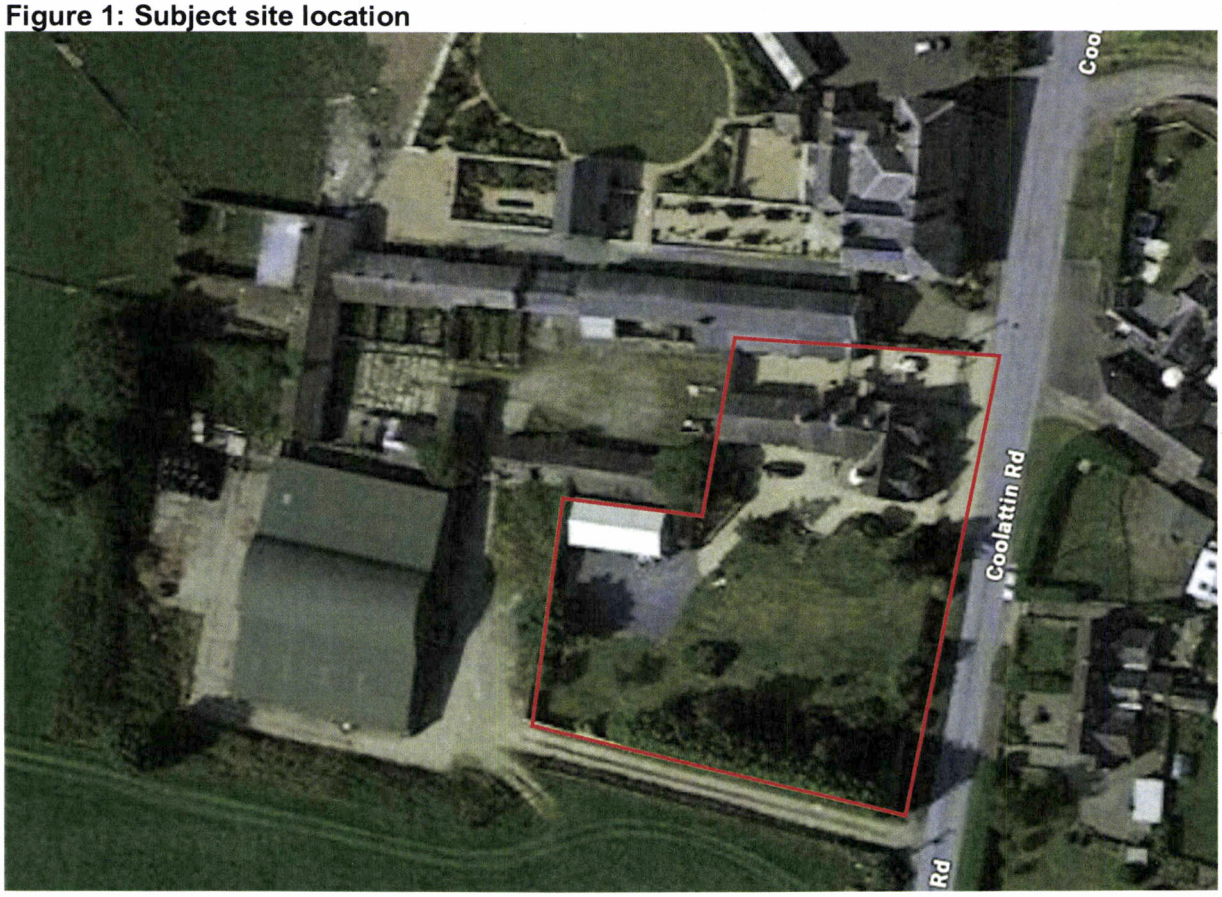
The subject site is located at The Game Keepers Lodge, Coolattin, Shillelagh, co. Wicklow as shown in Figure 1.

Figure 1: Subject site location



Exemption: Whether or not:

The installation of solar panels on a shed roof within the curtilage of a protected structure, constitutes exempted development within the meaning of the Planning and Development Act 2000 (as amended).

Planning History

REG. REF.:	23354
Applicant:	Catherine Vaughan & Marian Buckley
Development:	for alterations and additions to the existing two storey house, including a rear single storey extension, reconfiguration of the internal layout of the ground and first floors, a new external door to the north elevation, a new pedestrian gate at roadside, and all ancillary site works. (a protected structure Ref No. 43-25, NIAH Reg. No. 16404305
Decision:	Grant (conditional)

REG. REF.:	19882
Applicant:	Patrick Martin
Development:	domestic garage / store, hardcore area, gates & railings, reconstruction of arch to side of house, works to the building known as The Mews which includes upgrade of existing stairs, installation of first floor shower room, updated pluming and wiring, updated flooring and partitions and replacement of main door and change of use of Mews to a short term holiday let accommodation and permission for the installation of a new treatment system and soil polishing filter to serve the existing dwelling and mews and all associated site works.
Decision:	Grant (conditional)

Wicklow County Development Plan 2022-2028
Record of Protected Structures
RPS No. 43-25. A mid-19th century, gothic-revival style house with cemented walls, drip labels, enclosed porch and high-pitched roof with pierced barge-boarding.

Relevant legislation:

Planning and Development Act 2000 (as amended)

Section 2

"protected structure" means—
(a) a structure, or
(b) a specified part of a structure, which is included in a record of protected structures, and, where that record so indicates, includes any specified feature which is within the attendant grounds of the structure and which would not otherwise be included in this definition;

"protection", in relation to a structure or part of a structure, includes conservation, preservation and improvement compatible with maintaining the character and interest of the structure or part;

"structure" means any building, structure, excavation, or other thing constructed or made on, in or under any land, or any part of a structure so defined, and—
(*a*) where the context so admits, includes the land on, in or under which the structure is situate, and
(*b*) in relation to a protected structure or proposed protected structure, includes—
(i) the interior of the structure,
(ii) the land lying within the curtilage of the structure,
(iii) any other structures lying within that curtilage and their interiors, and
(iv) all fixtures and features which form part of the interior or exterior of any structure or structures referred to in *subparagraph (i)* or *(iii)*;

"alteration" includes—
(a) plastering or painting or the removal of plaster or stucco, or
(b) the replacement of a door, window or roof, that materially alters the external appearance of a structure so as to render the appearance inconsistent with the character of the structure or neighbouring structures;

"works" includes any act or operation of construction, excavation, demolition, extension, alteration, repair or renewal and, in relation to a protected structure or proposed protected structure, includes any act or operation involving the application or removal of plaster, paint, wallpaper, tiles or other material to or from the surfaces of the interior or exterior of a structure.

Section 3

3.—
(1) In this Act, except where the context otherwise requires, "development" means—
(a) the carrying out of any works in, on, over or under land, or the making of any material change in the use of any land or structures situated on land, or
(b) development within the meaning of Part XXI (inserted by section 171 of the Maritime Area Planning Act 2021).

Section 4

4.— (1) The following shall be exempted developments for the purposes of this Act—

(*h*) development consisting of the carrying out of works for the maintenance, improvement or other alteration of any structure, being works which affect only the interior of the structure or which do not materially affect the external appearance of the structure so as to render the appearance inconsistent with the character of the structure or of neighbouring structures;

(3) A reference in this Act to exempted development shall be construed as a reference to development which is—
(*a*) any of the developments specified in *subsection (1)*, or
(*b*) development which, having regard to any regulations under *subsection (2)*, is exempted development for the purposes of this Act.

(4A) Notwithstanding subsection (4), the Minister may make regulations prescribing development or any class of development that is—
(*a*) authorised, or required to be authorised by or under any statute (other than this Act) whether by means of a licence, consent, approval or otherwise, and

(*b*) as respects which an environmental impact assessment or an appropriate assessment is required, to be exempted development.

57.—(1) Notwithstanding *section 4(1)(a)*, *(h)*, *(i)*, *(ia)* *(j)*, *(k)*, or *(l)* and any regulations made under *section 4(2)*, the carrying out of works to a protected structure, or a proposed protected structure, shall be exempted development only if those works would not materially affect the character of—
(*a*) the structure, or
(*b*) any element of the structure which contributes to its special architectural, historical, archaeological, artistic, cultural, scientific, social or technical interest.

Planning and Development Regulations 2001(as amended).

Article 6(1) states that certain classes of development which are specified in Schedule 2 shall be exempted development for the purposes of the Act, subject to compliance with any associated conditions and limitations;

Article 9(1) (a) and **(b)** details a number of circumstances under which the development to which Article 6 relates shall not be exempted development for the purposes of the Act.

Schedule 2: Part 1 Exempted Development – General

Class 2 (c) The placing or erection on a roof of a house, or within the curtilage of a house, or on a roof of any ancillary buildings within the curtilage of a house (this class does not include apartments) of a solar photo-voltaic and/or a solar thermal collector installation.

1. The distance between the plane of the roof and the solar photo-voltaic or solar thermal collector panels shall not exceed 50cm in the case of a flat roof or 15cm in any other case.

2. The solar photo-voltaic or solar thermal collector panels shall be a minimum of 50cm from the edge of a roof on which it is mounted.

3. Any free-standing solar photo-voltaic or solar thermal collector installation shall not be placed or erected forward of the front wall of the house.

4. The total aperture area of any freestanding solar photo-voltaic and solar thermal collector panels taken together with any other such existing freestanding panels shall not exceed 25 square metres.

5. The placing or erection of any freestanding solar photo-voltaic or solar thermal collector installation shall not reduce the remaining area of private open space, reserved exclusively for the use of the occupants of the house, to the rear or to the side of the house to less than 25 square metres.

6. The height of any free-standing solar photo-voltaic or solar thermal collector installation shall not exceed 2.5 metres at its highest point above ground level.

7. The placing or erection of a solar photovoltaic or solar thermal collector installation on any wall shall not be exempted development.

8. The placing or erection of any freestanding solar photo-voltaic or solar thermal collector installation within an Architectural Conservation Area shall only be exempted development if those works would not materially affect the character of the area.

9. Development under this Class which causes hazardous glint and/or glare shall not be exempted development and any solar photo-voltaic or solar thermal collector panels which are causing hazardous glint and/or glare shall either be removed or be covered until such time as a mitigation plan to address the hazardous glint and/or glare is agreed and implemented to the satisfaction of the Planning Authority.

Assessment:

The Section 5 application seeks a declaration as to whether the installation of solar panels on an existing shed roof within the curtilage of a protected structure is or is not development or is or is not exempted development.

The first assessment must be whether or not the proposal outlined above constitutes development within the remit of Section 3 of the Planning and Development Act 2001. In this regard, Section 3 of the Planning and Development Act provides that:

"development" means, except where the context otherwise requires, the carrying out of any works on, in, over or under land or the making of any material change in the use of any structures or other land.

It should be noted that Section 2 of the Act defines works as:

"works" includes any act or operation of construction, excavation, demolition, extension, alteration, repair or renewal.

Having regard to the definition of "development" and "works" above, the Planning Authority is satisfied that the proposal involves works of construction and therefore the proposal does constitute development.

The second stage of the assessment is to determine whether or not the proposal would be exempted development under the Planning and Development Act 2000 (as amended) or its associated Regulations.

Schedule 2, Pt. 1, Class 2(c) of the Planning and Development Regulations 2001 (as amended) states that the following constitutes exempted development:

Description of Development	Conditions and Limitations
Class 2	
Part C The placing or erection on a roof of a house, or within the curtilage of	1. The distance between the plane of the roof and the solar photo-voltaic or solar thermal collector panels

a house, or on a roof of any ancillary buildings within the curtilage of a house (this class does not include apartments) of a solar photo-voltaic and/or a solar thermal collector installation.	shall not exceed 50cm in the case of a flat roof or 15cm in any other case. **No drawings of the proposed solar panels submitted. Further Information Required.** 2. The solar photo-voltaic or solar thermal collector panels shall be a minimum of 50cm from the edge of a roof on which it is mounted. **No drawings of the proposed solar panels submitted. Further Information Required.** 3. Any free-standing solar photo-voltaic or solar thermal collector installation shall not be placed or erected forward of the front wall of the house. **N/A.** 4. The total aperture area of any freestanding solar photo-voltaic and solar thermal collector panels taken together with any other such existing freestanding panels shall not exceed 25 square metres. **N/A** 5. The placing or erection of any freestanding solar photo-voltaic or solar thermal collector installation shall not reduce the remaining area of private open space, reserved exclusively for the use of the occupants of the house, to the rear or to the side of the house to less than 25 square metres. **N/A** 6. The height of any free-standing solar photo-voltaic or solar thermal collector installation shall not exceed 2.5 metres at its highest point above ground level. **N/A** 7. The placing or erection of a solar photovoltaic or solar thermal collector installation on any wall shall not be exempted development. **N/A** 8. The placing or erection of any freestanding solar photo-voltaic or solar thermal collector installation within an Architectural Conservation Area shall only

	be exempted development if those works would not materially affect the character of the area. **N/A** 9. Development under this Class which causes hazardous glint and/or glare shall not be exempted development and any solar photo-voltaic or solar thermal collector panels which are causing hazardous glint and/or glare shall either be removed or be covered until such time as a mitigation plan to address the hazardous glint and/or glare is agreed and implemented to the satisfaction of the Planning Authority. **N/A**

The information submitted is not sufficient to fully assess the Exemption under Class 2(c) noting that the applicant has not provided any drawings showing the location and extent of the proposed photo voltaic panels.

Section 57(1):
Notwithstanding *section 4(1)(a), (h), (i), (ia] (j), (k),* or *(l)* and any regulations made under *section 4(2),*the carrying out of works to a protected structure, or a proposed protected structure, shall be exempted development only if those works would not materially affect the character of—

a) the structure, or
b) any element of the structure which contributes to its special architectural, historical, archaeological, artistic, cultural, scientific, social or technical interest.

The proposed photovoltaic panels are to be located on a shed within the curtilage of a protected structure.

The protected structure is described in the RPS as a *"A mid-19th century, gothic-revival style house with cemented walls, drip labels, enclosed porch and high-pitched roof with pierced barge-boarding.".*

In order to fully assess whether the proposed solar panels will impact on the character of the structure of any element of the structure which contributes to its special architectural, historical, archaeological, artistic, cultural, scientific, social or technical interest a proposed elevation drawing showing the location and extent of the proposed phot voltaic panels is required.

Appropriate Assessment
Having regard to the nature and scale of the proposed development, connected to existing services within the curtilage of an existing dwelling, it is not considered that the proposed development would give rise to any adverse impacts on the qualifying interests and conservation objectives of any European/natura sites and therefore the proposed development would not necessitate the carrying out of an Appropriate Assessment in accordance with the requirements of Article 6(3) of the EU Habitats Directive.

Recommendation: Further Information

~~Having regard to nature of the development and the legislative criteria under which this Section 5 application is being assessed, in particular Schedule 2 Part 1 Class 2(c) Exempted Development - General of the Planning and Development Regulations 2001 (as amended) it is considered that insufficient details have been submitted in order to properly assess this application.~~

~~You are therefore requested to submit scaled and dimensioned drawings of the proposed solar panel installation on site having regard to the conditions and limitations of Schedule 2 Part 1 Class 2(c) Exempted Development- General of the Planning and Development Regulations 2001 (as amended).~~

Shane McCormack EP
Date: 02/11/2026

SEP addendum: The solar panels are indicated as been on the south facing slope of the roof of the shed as indicated on the aerial photograph submitted by the applicant. Noting their location on the southern roof slope of this modern shed structure and its distance from the main dwelling which is a protected structure, I do not consider that the proposed solar panals will impact on the character of the structure or any element of the structure which contributes to its special architectural, historical, archaeological, artistic, cultural, scientific, social or technical interest and therefore a proposed elevation drawing showing the location and extent of the proposed phot voltaic panels is not deemed necessary however the applicant should be requested to confirm the following:

(a) Please confirm that the distance between the plane of the roof and the solar panels does not exceed 50cm in the case of a flat roof or 15cm in any other case.
(b) Please confirm that the solar panels are all a minimum of 50cm from the edge of the roof on which it is mounted.

The further information requested as therefore been amended as follows:

Recommendation: Further Information

Having regard to nature of the development and the legislative criteria under which this Section 5 application is being assessed, in particular Schedule 2 Part 1 Class 2(c) Exempted Development - General of the Planning and Development Regulations 2001 (as amended) it is considered that insufficient details have been submitted in order to properly assess this application.

In order to fully assess the exemption declaration request the following information should be submitted –

(a) Please confirm that the distance between the plane of the roof and the solar panels does not exceed 50cm in the case of a flat roof or 15cm in any other case.
(b) Please confirm that the solar panels are all a minimum of 50cm from the edge of the roof on which it is mounted.

SECTION 5 TO ISSUE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE RECOMMENDATION ABOVE

Patrice Ryan SEP 04/11/2026



Shed roof slope on which the solar panels are proposed to be located. Chimneys associated with the protected structure visible to the right through the trees.



Front elevation of The Game Keepers lodge as visible from the public road. The shed on which the panels are to be located and not visible at any point as you view this front elevation of the protected structure from the main road and are to be placed on a modern structure which is located away from the main protected structure.

MEMORANDUM

WICKLOW COUNTY COUNCIL

TO: Shane McCormack
Executive planner

FROM: Joanne Byrne
A/ Staff Officer

RE:- EX129/2026 - Declaration in accordance with Section 5 of the Planning & Development Acts 2000 (as amended)

I enclose herewith for your attention application for Section 5 Declaration received 13/10/2026.

The due date on this declaration is the **09/11/2026.**

Joanne Byrne

A/Staff Officer
Planning, Development & Environment

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13th October 2026

RE: Application for Certificate of Exemption under Section 5 of the Planning and Development Acts 2000 (as amended) – EX129/2026

A Chara

I wish to acknowledge receipt on 13/10/2026 full details supplied by you in respect of the above Section 5 application. A decision is due in respect of this application by 09/11/2026.

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Joanne Byrne

Joanne Byrne
A/ Staff Officer
Planning, Economic & Rural Development

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APPLICATION FORM FOR A DECLARATION IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 5 OF THE PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT ACTS 2000(AS AMENDED) AS TO WHAT IS OR IS NOT DEVELOPMENT OR IS OR IS NOT EXEMPTED DEVELOPMENT

1. Applicant Details

(a) Name of applicant: Catherine Vaughan
Address of applicant: The Game Keeper's Lodge, Coolattin, Shillelagh, Co. Wicklow. Y14 TD 23

Note Phone number and email to be filled in on separate page.

2. Agents Details (Where Applicable)

(b) Name of Agent (where applicable) _____

Address of Agent : _____

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Note Phone number and email to be filled in on separate page.

WICKLOW COUNTY COUNCIL
13 OCT 2026
PLANNING DEPT.

WICKLOW COUNTY COUNCIL
CUSTOMER SERVICE
13 OCT 2026

3. Declaration Details

i. Location of Development subject of Declaration

The Game Keeper's Lodge, Coollattin, Shillelagh, Co. Wicklow. Y14 TD23

ii. Are you the owner and/or occupier of these lands at the location under i. above ? Yes/ No.

YES

iii. If 'No' to ii above, please supply the Name and Address of the Owner, and or occupier_____

iv. Section 5 of the Planning and Development Act provides that : If any question arises as to what, in any particular case, is or is not development and is or is not exempted development, within the meaning of this act, any person may, an payment of the prescribed fee, request in writing from the relevant planning authority a declaration on that question. You should therefore set out the query for which you seek the Section 5 Declaration

We wish to enquire as to whether planning permission would be required to install solar panels on the roof of an external building located within the grounds / curtilage of our home which is a protected structure. The panels will be placed on a modern structure (an Adman work-shed) which has itself received planning permission (2019). The work-shed provides a suitable surface area for the solar panels and provides an alternative to installing the panels directly onto the house. This means there will be no damage to / interference with the protected structure but provides us the opportunity to install an alternative, sustainable power source for our home.

Additional details may be submitted by way of separate submission.

v. Indication of the Sections of the Planning and Development Act or Planning Regulations you consider relevant to the Declaration

Amendment to the curtilage of a protected structure

Additional details may be submitted by way of separate submission.

vi. Does the Declaration relate to a Protected Structure or is it within the curtilage of a Protected Structure (or proposed protected structure) ?

YES

vii. List of Plans, Drawings submitted with this Declaration Application

Mock-up image of the proposed installation, showing relationship between the proposed location and the house

viii. Fee of € 80 Attached ?

Cheque enclosed

Signed : _____ Dated : 10/OCT/2026

Additional Notes :

As a guide the minimum information requirements for the most common types of referrals under Section 5 are listed below :

A. Extension to dwelling - Class 1 Part 1 of Schedule 2

- Site Location Map
- Floor area of structure in question - whether proposed or existing.
- Floor area of all relevant structures e.g. previous extensions.
- Floor plans and elevations of relevant structures.
- Site Layout Plan showing distance to boundaries, rear garden area, adjoining dwellings/structures etc.

B. Land Reclamation -

The provisions of Article 8 of the Planning and Development Regulations 2001 (as amended) now applies to land reclamation, other than works to wetlands which are still governed by Schedule 2, Part 3, Class 11. Note in addition to confirmation of exemption status under the Planning and Development Act 2000(as amended) there is a certification process with respect to land reclamation works as set out under the European Communities (Environmental Impact Assessment) (Agriculture) Regulations 2011 S.I. 456 of 2011. You should therefore seek advice from the Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food.

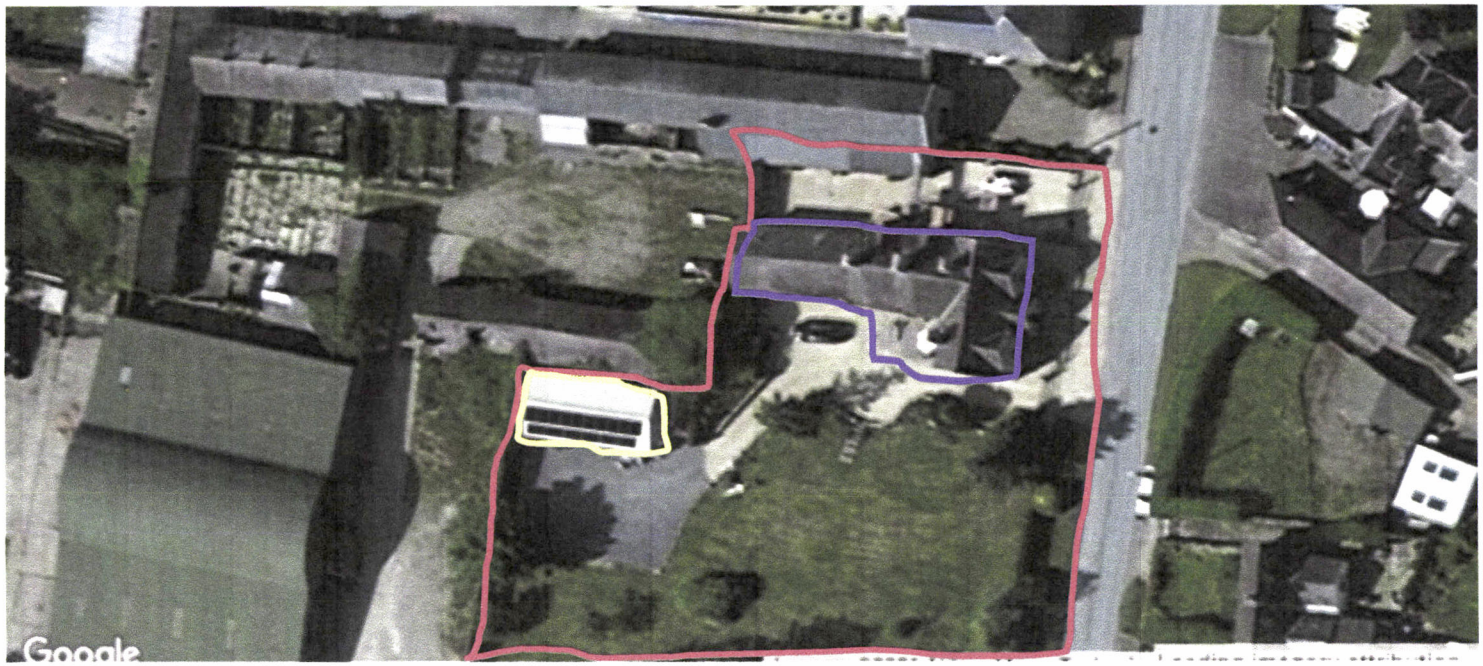
Any Section 5 Declaration should include a location map delineating the location of and exact area of lands to be reclaimed, and an indication of the character of the land.

C. Farm Structures - Class 6 -Class 10 Part 3 of Schedule 2.

- Site layout plan showing location of structure and any adjoining farm structures and any dwellings within 100m of the farm structure.
- Gross floor area of the farm structure
- Floor plan and elevational details of Farm Structure and Full details of the gross floor area of the proposed structure.
- Details of gross floor area of structures of similar type within the same farmyard complex or within 100metres of that complex.

The Game Keeper's Lodge

Solar Panel installation – Proposed location



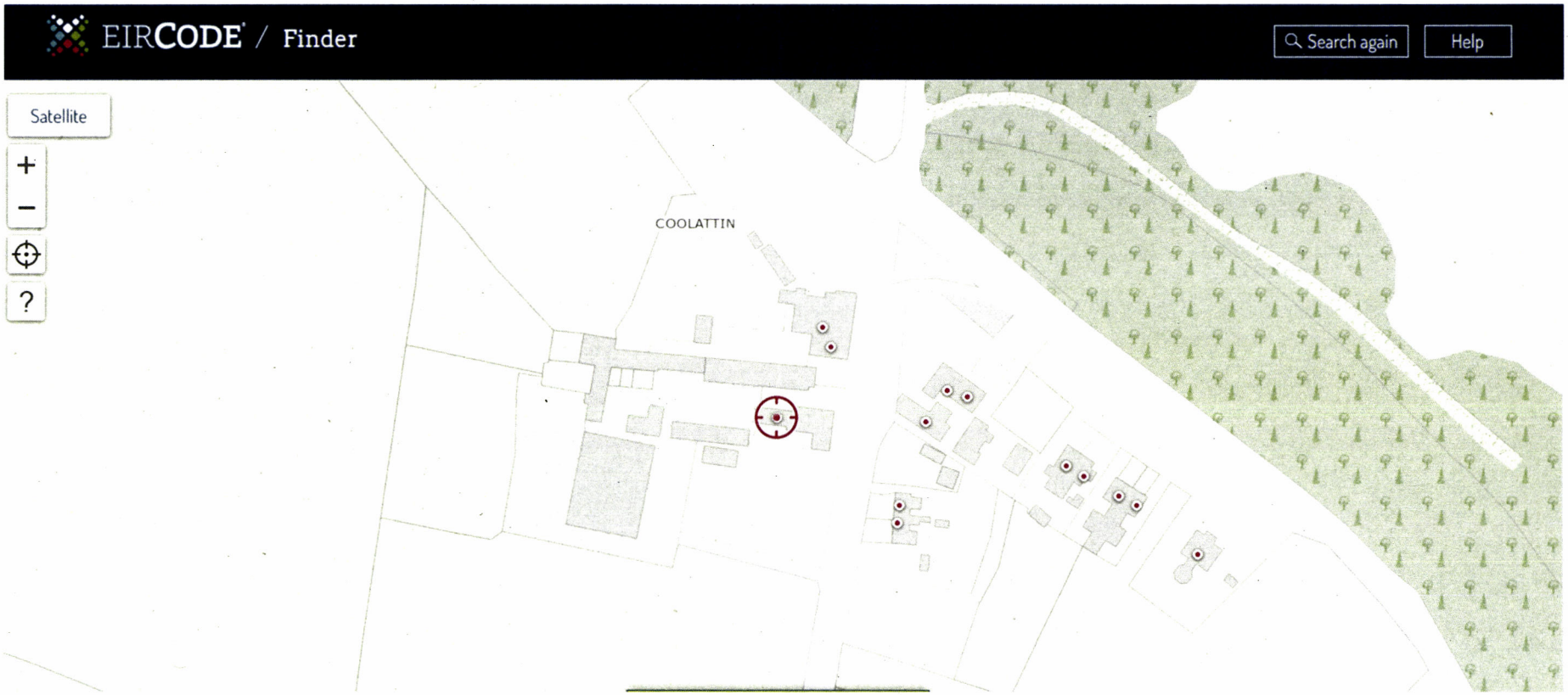
Key:

Property boundary

House

Proposed location of solar panels (on standalone Adman work-shed)

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