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RE: Clarification of Information

Burton Park, Leopardstown Road, Sandyford, Co. Dublin

Dear Sarah,

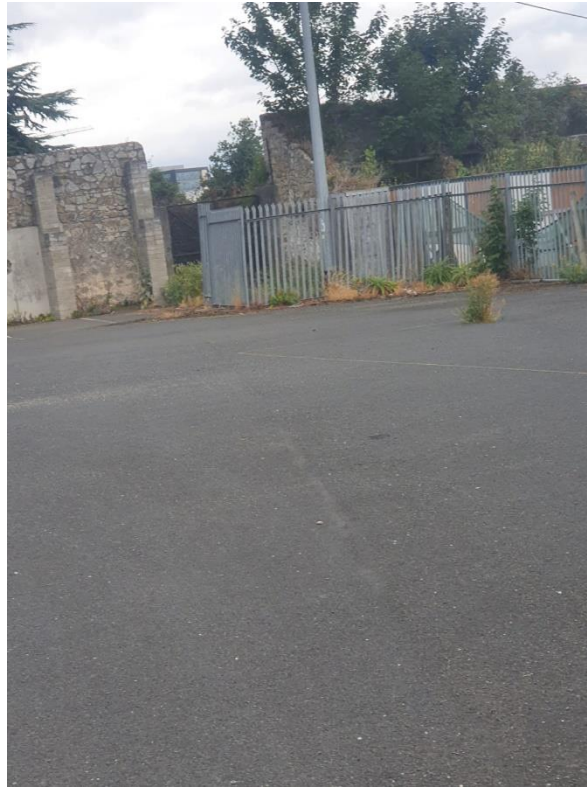
I refer to the correspondence from the Heritage Office Department. A site walkover was completed by an Ecologist (Noreen Mc Loughlin) of the proposed development site, when habitats within the site were noted. The entire site has recently been tarmacked to make way for a new car park, so the latest Google aerials are not representative of the current habitats on the site. The dominant habitat currently within the site is buildings and artificial surfaces. The only vegetation remaining is scattered ruderal plants growing all the bases of the walls and form the site perimeters. These opportunistic species include vetches, Rosebay willowherb, buddleia, ragwort, and red valerian. Other possible garden escapees noted included *Macleaya cordata* (plume poppy), mullein and *Echium* sp. There are some scattered trees along the boundaries outside of the site itself and species noted included elder, ash, sycamore and Italian alder.

1. Overall, the site has no biodiversity value.
2. No listed invasive species were noted.

Photograph 1 – Burton Park



Photograph 2 – Burton Park



I hope this clarifies the issues that have been raised.

Yours sincerely,

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A handwritten signature in blue ink. The signature reads "Niall Traynor".

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