



**Comhairle Chontae Liatroma
Leitrim County Council**

**Declaration regarding Development/Exempted Development
(Section 5 of Planning & Development Act 2000, as amended)**

Leitrim County Council Reference Number: ED- 26-08

WHEREAS a question has arisen as to whether the construction of a mobile chicken unit with capacity for 90 chickens for laying hens and organic egg production on an existing farm at Port House, Leitrim Village, Carrick on Shannon, Co. Leitrim is or is not development and whether it is or is not exempted development;

AND WHEREAS the said question was referred to Leitrim County Council by Frank Whitney on the 24th February 2026;

AND WHEREAS Leitrim County Council, in considering this referral, had regard particularly to –

- (a) Sections 2(1), 3(1) and 4(1) of the Planning and Development Act, 2000, as amended,
- (b) Articles 6(1) and 9(1) of the Planning and Development Regulations 2001, as amended
- (c) Class 7 of Schedule 2 Part 3 of the *Exempted Development – Rural* Planning and Development Regulations 2001, as amended, and
- (d) the documentation and further information submitted as part of the referral;

AND WHEREAS Leitrim County Council has concluded that:

- (a) the construction of a mobile chicken unit with capacity for 90 chickens for laying hens and organic egg production on an existing farm at Port House, Leitrim Village, Carrick on Shannon, Co. Leitrim is considered to be works and is, therefore, development within the meaning of the Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended; and
- (b) the construction of a mobile chicken unit with capacity for 90 chickens for laying hens and organic egg production on an existing farm at Port House, Leitrim Village, Carrick on Shannon, Co. Leitrim is exempted development subject to the following conditions and limitaitons:
 - The gross floor space of such structure together with any other such structures situated within the same farmyard complex or within 100 metres of that complex shall not exceed 100 square metres gross floor space in aggregate.
 - No such structure shall be situated, and no effluent from such structure shall be stored, within 100 metres of any house (other than the house of the person providing the structure) or other residential building or school, hospital, church or building used for public assembly, save with the consent in writing of the owner and, as may be appropriate, the occupier or person in charge thereof.

NOW THEREFORE Leitrim County Council, in exercise of the powers conferred on it by Section 5(2)(a) of the 2000 Act, as amended, hereby declares that:

The construction of a mobile chicken unit with capacity for 90 chickens for laying hens and organic egg production on an existing farm at Port House, Leitrim Village, Carrick on Shannon, Co. Leitrim is development and **is exempted development** subject to the following conditions and limitaitons:

- The gross floor space of such structure together with any other such structures situated within the same farmyard complex or within 100 metres of that complex shall not exceed 100 square metres gross floor space in aggregate.
- No such structure shall be situated, and no effluent from such structure shall be stored, within 100 metres of any house (other than the house of the person providing the structure) or other residential building or school, hospital, church or building used for public assembly, save with the consent in writing of the owner and, as may be appropriate, the occupier or person in charge thereof.

Signed: 
Administrative Officer
Planning Department

Dated this 24th March 2026