This document contains 18 communications between the Department of Education and Skills (DES) and Cavan Monaghan Education Training Board, formally known as Cavan County VEC, from May 2013 to October 2018 (less than 2 months before the proposed school merger was announced).

This material has been obtained through a Freedom of Information request submitted to the Department of Education and Skills.

Included is a schedule of documents released and communications listed below.

- 1. Letter (02.05.2013) from Cavan VEC to Department of Education (DES) seeking approval for funding to replace prefabs with a new build for the St Bricins College and additional accommodation for Special Education Unit.
- 2. Letter (10.07.2013) from DES to Cavan VEC confirming approval of €412,500 to fund new build and accommodation for St Bricins.
- 3. Letter (29.07.2013) from Chief Executive Martin O'Brien, Cavan VEC confirming acceptance of the funding approved by DES.
- 4. Letter (01.08.2013) from Chief Executive Martin O'Brien, Cavan VEC to DES seeking additional funding to include works for an Engineering Room, Construction Studies Room and wood preparation area as part of the capital works project.
- 5. Letter (December 2013) from DES to Martin O'Brien, Chief Executive Cavan ETB confirming approval for additional works and increasing the project funding to €874,218.17.
- 6. Letter (05.02.2014) from DES to Martin O'Brien, confirming funding will total €1007,218.17 to include furniture etc.
- 7. Letter (21.05.2015) from Martin O'Brien to DES seeking an additional accommodation request for an Autism Unit and Moderate Learning Unit.
- 8. Email to DES from Martin O'Brien clarifying some additional information pertaining to additional accommodation request for Autism Unit and Moderate Learning Unit.
- 9. Letter (20.10.2015) from DES to Martin O'Brien confirming an all in grant for works totalling to a grant of €1,740,000 to cover all needs sought for St Bricins. The letter also confirming the need to engage a design team given the scope of the project.
- 10. Letter (22.10.2015) from DES to Martin O'Brien on documentation to be signed to progress the project and the tender process.
- 11. Letter (09.03.2016) from DES to Martin O'Brien confirming additional funding to meet the full costs pf completing the project totalling a commitment of funding €1,755,665.25.
- 12. Letter (07.04.2017) from John Kearney, Chief Executive Cavan Monaghan Education Training Board (took up the post from Martin O'Brien) to DES with acceptance of the funding for build project for St Bricins.
- 13. Letter (27.07.2017) from John Kearney to DES with a stage 1 report for St Bricins additional accommodation project.
- 14. Letter (20.08.2017) from DES to John Kearney taking issue with a submitted request beyond the scope of the original approved project for additional accommodation and they request CMETB come in line with the approved additional accommodation project for St Bricins which was approved for €1,740,000.

- 15. Letter (27.10.2017) from John Kearney to DES submitting a revised report for the project from design team/quantity surveyor.
- 16. Email (12.09.2018) from DES outlining that Cavan Monaghan ETB have approval for an additional accommodation project for St Bricins with funding approved for €1,740,000. They further outline they wish to progress the project and that Cavan Monaghan ETB cancelled a meeting with DES in December 2017 stating they wish to review provision of post primary education in the area.
- 17. Email (26.09.2018) from John Kearney to DES with an attachment on a feasibility cost plan for works for St Bricins which a QS estimated to be €6,027,403 with an Auctioneer valuation on the building to be €300,000. DES confirm a meeting with CMETB to be held 8<sup>th</sup> October 2018 to discuss. Through this FOI it was confirmed by the DES there are no minutes available for this meeting.
- 18. Email (18.10.2018) from to Bernie Powers of Cavan Monaghan ETB seeking a number of documents following the meeting and in advance of e site visit. The DES, through this FOI have confirmed no information was received by them from CMETB.



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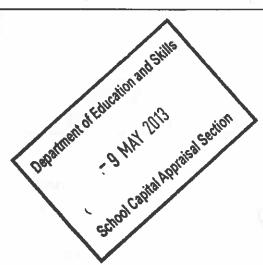
# **County Cavan Vocational Education Committee**

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02 May 2013

The Secretary
Department of Education & Skills
School Building Section
Portlaoise Road
Tullamore
Co Offaly



Attention: Val Lynam

Re: Application for replacement of Prefabs, St. Bricin's College, RN 70350W

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t attach herewith application for replacement of prefabs at St. Bricin's College, Belturbet, Co Cavan. I would appreciate if you would give this your urgent attention in light of the seriousness of the health and safety issues.

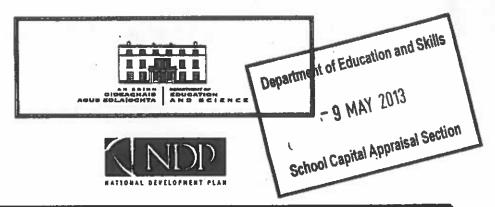
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# Application form for Additional School Accommodation (POST PRIMARY SCHOOLS)

Schools Capital Appraisal's Section
Planning & Building Unit
Department of Education and Science
Portlaoise Road, Tullamore, Co. Offaly

Telephone No: 057 9324476

E-mail: info@education.gov.ie

Website: www.education.ie

(This form must only be completed in respect of urgently required additional temporary school accommodation.)

1.1

School Name:	St Bricin's College	
Address:	Railway Rd, Belturbet, Co Cavan	
School Roll No 70350W	School Telephone No 049 9522170	School e-mail address info@stbricinscollege.ie
Principal's Name	Mary Sheridan	t a

1.2 Please give details of contact person

110 1 10000 3110 00		
Name	Mary Sheridan	
Role in school	Principal	3.0
Phone number	0499522170 (work) 0876569657	

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2.1 Give details of accommodation for which grant-aid is being sought (i.e. portacabin, premises, new build etc)

Prefab accommodation to be replaced with a new build and additional accommodation for a Unit to accommodate a Special Class granted by NCSE from September 2013

2.2 Date from which accommodation is required

(02 / 09 / 2013)

2.3 Indicate why additional accommodation is required

The existing prefab classrooms have become ineffective, dilapidated and require extensive remedial work to windows, doors, floors, heating and ventilation in these crowded classrooms, to make them fit for their intended purpose. The level of remedial work required would not be feasible to carry out and it would be more viable to extend the existing school building to have four purpose built classrooms, with toilet facilities & the Special Unit classroom to accommodate the Special Needs children entering in September, a total of 5 Classrooms. A new extension would link perfectly into the Art room construction which is at completion stage and would have lower maintenance costs and more energy efficient.

The URGENT need for an additional classroom to accommodate the SPECIAL CLASS assigned to our school from Sept 2013 by NCSE to accommodate a number of students in our catchment area enrolled for September 2013/14 would make this application value for money and complete the building schedule.

Our enrolments are increasing steadily and projected enrolments are also indicating a steady increase. This coupled with the fact that we are the DES designated school for ebooks and one of the NCCA Pilot schools for New Junior Curriculum. We have a steady cross-border enrolment since the announcement of the closure of a local secondary school in Derrylin, Co Fermanagh, just 7 Km away.

2.4

If prefabricated accommodate	If prefabricated accommodation is considered the					
appropriate solution is there						
sanctioned?						
Approximate size of site	Hectares	or Acres	3			

### Status of school provision

Z.3	
Recognition:	Permanent
Who owns site?	County Cavan VEC

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If site is leased, has permanent site been acquired?	0
Has an application for a building project been submitted to the Department?	Yes
If a building project is ongoing please state estimated completion date?	DD / MM / YYYY 12/ 04 /2013

3.1

Current enrolment as at 30 September 2012	197
Projected enrolment September 2013	205

### POST PRIMARY SCHOOLS please submit the following;

- Copy of Teacher Allocation form.
   Classroom Timetables for School.

4.1

Category of teacher for which is required (e.g. Mainstream	n / S.E.T. etc.)	
Date of proposed appointment teacher:	ent of additional	
Number of teachers at date of application	Principal +	Mainstream class teachers

4.2 Give details of the following specialist teachers currently serving in your school:

your school:				
Туре	Yes / No	No. of Teachers	Full Time / Shared (please specify hrs)	Based? Indicate Y/N
Learning Support / Resource				
Resource				
Home / School Community Liaison				
Early Start				
Giving Children an Even Break				
DEIS - Disadvantage concessionary post				
DEIS - School Support Programme - Urban				
DEIS - School Support Brogramme - Bural Co-ordinator				
Other (give details)				

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Rm	Purpose	Current Usage	Free Periods	
1	Home Economics	0.79	9	Not suitable for general purpose
2	Computers	0.62	16	Not suitable for general purpose
ß	DCG	0.60	17	Not suitable for general purpose
4	General Purpose	0.81	8	
. 5	Metalwork	0.52	20	Not suitable for general purpose
- 6	Woodwork	0.67	14	Not suitable for general purpose
7	Science Lab	0.81	8	Not suitable for general purpose
8	General Purpose	0.74	11	
9	General Purpose	0.79	9	
10	General Purpose	0.86	6	
11	Double Boom	0.86	6	
12	Double Noon	0.86	6	
13	Prefab	0.76	10	
14	Art Room	0.55	19	Not suitable for general purpose
15	Prefab	0.83	7	

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The confirmation of TY and a Special Unit for September 2013 requires 84 class periods. We do not currently have suitable accomodation for these initiatives which are sustainable within the school and vital to serve the needs of our student population which is growing year on year.



#### POST PRIMARY SCHOOLS please submit the following;

- 1. A complete current accommodation inventory, including room sizes
- 2. A set of up-to-date Floor Plans with the identities and dimensions for all spaces (metric) ideally these should be architectural drawings.
- 3. Ordnance Survey Map showing school site.
- **5.1** Please give details of existing accommodation and current use (attach an additional sheet if necessary):

Na.	Actual atze m²	Number of permanent classrooms	Current	use of each room	as applicable
40					
≥40<50					
≥50	Actual	No. of prefabricated+	Current use	Monthly reat	Name of
	m²	portacable classrooms	of each	(if applic)	landlord/supplier
540					
≥40<50					
≥\$0			All Marie		

**5.2** Other accommodation *not included above.*Please tick ✓ and <u>enter m²</u> (If rented please give details):

Principal's office	Staff room	General office	Multi-purpose room	G.P room	Library	Other (Please specify)
			594			

5.3 If the school uses any other premises please give details:

M <sup>4</sup>	Details	Current use of each	Monthly rent (if applicable)

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If there is additional documentation supplied, please securely fix to the back of the application form and list documentation below. This page can also be used for other relevant information not sought in the form.

#### Attachments Enclosed

Current Accomodation Inventory
NCSE Letter of Sanction for Special Class from September 2013-04-05
Photographs of Prefab

#### Other Relevant information

The school has developed a comprehensive Transition Programme for the feeder Primary schools, we hope to extend this, within the new building structure, to continuous Professional Development training delivered by our staff to the staff in Primary schools.

We are planning on developing a 'Learning Centre' fully equipped, offering a range of devices with Literacy & Numeracy software, as part of our development of our specialist technology school This Learning Centre facility would be made available to the three Primary schools in our town, as there is currently no such space available to the schools and many are anxious to have their students with a level of IT Literacy, prior to entry.

We currently have only one Science Lab and with increasing enrolments, classes are larger, with the demand for Science subjects at Leaving Certificate level on the increase, we would anticipate that one of the new rooms would become a Science Demonstration room. We also have increasing demands for the practical subjects and the development of a Technology room will be necessary to facilitate our subject options at Junior & Leaving Certificate Levels, going forward.

St Bricin's College has been the DES Designated Pilot school for eBooks, now fully integrated over the past 3 years. We have developed a Digital Media Short course, delivered to all Junior Cycle students & leading to a Portfolio of

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work by all current & Junior Curriculum.	incoming	1 <sup>st</sup> years,	as an	NCCA	pilot	school	for	New	1
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We hereby apply for grant-aid for towards the additional temporary school accommodation as described in section 2: Application Details.

We are aware of and agreeable to the condition that if this application is successful and results in the provision of capital funding this funding must be secured legally.

In accordance with Section 15 of the Education Act 1998, we certify that this Board of Management has consulted with the Patron/Trustees. We confirm that:-

- (i) the application has the approval of the Patron/Trustees
- (ii) the application has the support of the Board of Management
- (iii) the proposed project is to be carried out within the confines of the vested school area.

We certify that all of the information given in this application is true and complete to the best of our knowledge and any material change in circumstances will be <u>notified immediately</u> to the School Planning Section of the Department of Education and Science.

We understand and declare that this application is made subject to contract and does not constitute, form part of or give rise to an agreement or contract with the Minister for Education and Science.

Signature of Principal Signature of Chairperson BOM

#### Please note:

- Information provided is subject to the Freedom of Information
   Acts 1997 and 2003
- That a copy of the enrolment policy of your school must be include with this application (see section 15 (2)(d) of the 1998 Education Act).



Mr. Martin G. O'Brien, Chief Executive Officer Cavan & Monaghan ETB Administration Centre Market Street Monaghan Co. Monaghan

10<sup>th</sup> July 2013

Re: <u>Provision of Additional Accommodation – St. Bricin's College – 4 x 70m2 Mainstream Classrooms (2 no additional & 2 no replacement) & 1 x 80m2 Special Education Class (additional) – Roll No: 70350W</u>

Dear Sir/Madam,

I refer to the ETB's application for funding to provide for additional accommodation at St. Bricin's College. The Department is pleased to offer a grant in the amount of €412,500.00 inclusive of Vat, fees & furniture for classrooms or the total of the approved works, whichever is the lesser for the proposed works at your school under the 2013 Additional Accommodation Scheme. (Furniture grant will be paid at 70% drawdown stage.)

Breakdown as follows: Build: €400,000.00 Furniture: €12,500.00

This financial information is strictly confidential to the School Authority. Dissemination of information regarding the grant amount offered for this project to a wider audience in advance of tendering for the works could prejudice the tender competition thereby negating the grant offer.

#### <u>Fees</u>

School management authorities must follow the process for engaging consultants outlined in the Department's guidance on Procuring Consultants for Small Works. The School Authority are reminded that the grant being provided for this project is inclusive of all fees and requests for additional fees/project costs incurred as a result of uneconomical fees being agreed will not be considered. The School Authority should note that due to the downturn in the construction industry there have been substantial reductions in both the cost of building works and the cost of professional fees associated with building projects. This has resulted in the Department achieving better value for money with regard to the fees being charged by consultants on all projects. The School Authority should ensure that the fees for the project reflect the current market realities.

For the avoidance of doubt the Department wishes to remind all school management authorities that have been allocated funding that they must comply with all the requirements of Technical Guidance Documents TGD 007 and the Department's guidance on Procuring Consultants for Small Works respectively. School must comply with the requirements of Circular 10/10. Failure to do so may expose the school management authorities to challenge and subsequent financial penalties from a consultant or contractor who feels he/she was not afforded an opportunity to tender. Any such challenge would also result in the project being substantially delayed.

As this is a devolved project the School Authority will be responsible for any challenges that may arise due to a failure to comply with the relevant guidelines

The Department should be informed immediately should any reimbursement or compensation be received by the school from any source e.g. an insurance claim in respect of the works being grant-aided. You should also notify your insurance brokers in advance of the commencement of works.

#### **Next Steps**

Please be advised that the School Authority as Client for the project has responsibilities under the Safety Health and Welfare at Work Act 2005 and the Safety Health and Welfare at Work (Construction) Regulations, Statutory Instrument (S.I.) 504 of 2006. The main responsibility is to ensure the appointment of competent individuals or corporate bodies to act as PSDP and Project Supervisor for the Construction Stage (PSCS) and to ensure that they have adequate resources to perform their duties (Refer to TGD 007 & the Department's guidance on Procuring Consultant's for Small Works). Failure to comply with Health & Safety Regulations is a criminal offence and may expose the School Authority to criminal prosecution.

Subject to your completing and returning the Form of Acceptance, it is now in order for you to appoint a Project Supervisor for the Design Process (PSDP) as outlined above. A Consultant appropriate to your project must also be appointed. These appointments must be carried out in accordance with the Department's guidance on Procuring Consultant's for Small Works April 2012 (available at <a href="https://www.education.ie">www.education.ie</a> under School Planning/Building > Technical Guidance > Procedures) The PSDP and the Design Consultant can be the same person or body corporate, provided their competence and adequacy of resources have been assessed for both roles and found to be satisfactory. A copy of this letter should be given to the PSDP and Consultant upon appointment.

#### **Asbestos**

A guidance document titled "Duties and Guidance for School Authoritys on dealing with Asbestos containing materials before, during and after School refurbishment works,

demolitions and building works projects" is available on the Department website: www.education.ie/en/Schools-colleges/Services/Building-Works/Remediation-Programmes/.

School Authoritys must adhere to these guidelines when dealing with Asbestos containing materials.

It is essential that once appointed the PSDP and Project Consultant (as a first step in the design process) review the School's Safety File to establish the position relating to any health and safety issues such as the presence of asbestos. The School Authority must obtain written confirmation that the PSDP and Consultant are aware of the contents of the School's Safety File and the School's Asbestos Register. This requirement is to comply with Health and Safety Legislation and protect the Board from the possibility of criminal prosecution. Where there is a possibility of asbestos in the area of the school which will be affected by the works a Pre-refurbishment / Demolitions Survey (formerly a Type 3 Survey) may be required required. This includes the following circumstances:

- 1. where the school building was built prior to 1990 and
- 2. where the School Asbestos Survey indicates that the approved works will interfere with asbestos containing materials or
- 3. where it is known or suspected that the approved works will interfere with asbestos containing materials

#### **Tax Compliance**

The School Authority should note that changes in relation to the operation of Relevant Contracts Tax (RCT) which is a tax regime applicable to construction contracts in which tax is deducted from payments for construction operations due to the contractor by the principal contractor. RCT usually applies to main contractors in their dealings with sub-contractors. However, the Revenue Commissioners have recently indicated that School Authorities are now to be regarded as "Principal Contractor". This means that the School Authority will be responsible for complying with RCT requirements and VAT returns when making payments to the contractor. The Revenue introduced a mandatory electronic RCT system on 1 January 2012 for all principal contractors in the RCT system, so all filings and notifications must be done online through the Revenue ROS system.

The Revenue Commissioners have prepared a Guidance Note to assist Boards of Management with the operation of RCT and Reverse Charge VAT and this guidance note is available on the Revenue Commissioners Website and can be accessed by following this link: <a href="http://www.revenue.ie/en/tax/rct/guidance-boards-rct-vat.pdf">http://www.revenue.ie/en/tax/rct/guidance-boards-rct-vat.pdf</a>

The School Authority is also asked to ensure that:

- the Tax Clearance rules\* are adhered to, and
- Arrangements for the engagement of individuals or businesses to work in or on the school premises or directly in connection with school activities, even on a once off basis, fully support the need for timely and full compliance with tax return filing and payment obligations by such individuals or businesses.

\* Tax Clearance Certificate or a certificate demonstrating a satisfactory level of subcontractor tax compliance are required in relation to all public sector contracts of a value of €10,000 (inclusive of VAT) or more. See www.revenue.ie for further details.

#### Conditions of Grant

The School Authority must utilise this grant to build a permanent stand alone structure. Any permanent structure must not be positioned where it will interfere with any future development at the school.

The attached Form of Acceptance must be completed and returned within 4 weeks from the date of this letter confirming that the school authority is prepared to accept this grant offer and the associated Terms and Conditions.

The grant is sanctioned on condition that the works commence on site and 70% of the funding has been drawn down within 6 months of the date of this letter and that the remaining 30% of the funding is drawn down within 12 months of this date also. If there are valid circumstances why the above timetable cannot be met a case should be made to the undersigned for an extension of the deadlines.

It is a condition of grant aid that you comply with all of the Department's Technical Guidance Documents (TGD's) paying particular attention to:

- The Department's guidance on Procuring Consultants for Small Works
- TGD-002 Mechanical & Electrical Engineering Guidelines for Primary Schools
- TGD-003 Mechanical & Electrical Engineering Guidelines for Post Primary Schools
- TGD-007 3<sup>rd</sup> Edition March 2011 Design Team procedures for Small Works
- TGD-021-1 Guidance on the Specification of Windows First Edition April 2010

The above mentioned documents are available on the Department's website at <a href="www.education.ie">www.education.ie</a>. (Always check the website for the most up to date version.)

The appropriate Form of Contract for the construction project is the Short Public Works Contract (PW-CF6) and Tender and Schedule for Short Public Works Contract (FTS6) 4 November 2009 available on <a href="https://www.constructionprocurement.gov.ie">www.constructionprocurement.gov.ie</a>.

Works carried out over and above the level of grant aid approved in this letter must be borne by the School Authority.

#### Commencement of Work and Payment of Grant

The first payment will be for 70% of the Department's liability for **build element** and will be paid on receipt of the written confirmation as follows:

When the works have commenced on site the School Authority (BOM) must confirm the first three bullet points and request written confirmation from the consultant of the remaining bullet points outlined below. Each bullet point must be addressed. The School Authority then forwards the consultants confirmation documents with a covering letter to the undersigned. The documents being forwarded must confirm that;

- The School Authority understands their legal duty to appoint a competent PSDP and is satisfied that they have taken reasonable steps to satisfy themselves as to the competency of the PSDP
- The School Authority confirms that the tender process and contract award for the appointment of a Consultant has been carried out in accordance with the Department's guidance on Procuring Consultants for Small Works.
- The School Authority confirms that they have:
  - o Registered online for ROS (Revenue Online System)
  - o Registered for VAT and as a Main Contractor
  - Obtain contractor's tax reference number and proof of identity
  - o Prior to commencement of construction, that they have notified the Revenue of the contract (Contract Notification)
- A PSDP has been appointed, the appointment has been confirmed in writing by the Client, and the Health and Safety Authority have been notified using the HSA form AF1.
- The PSDP has checked the safety file and has taken the appropriate action in relation to
- A Preliminary Safety & Health Plan has been prepared by the PSDP and provided to tenderers as part of the tender documents.
- The consultant must confirm the monetary value of the total cost of the building works inclusive of fees and VAT (exclusive of furniture)
- The works undertaken are in accordance with the scope of works for which the grant was approved.
- Circular 10/2010 has been complied with.
- The tender process and contract award has been carried out in accordance with the terms outlined in the Departments Technical Guidance Documents as relevant (refer to TGD007) and that the contract has been awarded to the lowest tenderer and if not a detailed explanation must be provided as to why the lowest tender has not been accepted
- The management authority has placed a contract for the proposed works with the successful contractor and the contractor is on site and has commenced the works.

The second and final payment will be for the remaining 30% of the Department's liability and will be paid on receipt of the written confirmation as follows:

When the works have reached substantial completion the consultant must provide a covering letter confirming that the documentation outlined below has been forwarded to the School Authority. All bullet points must be

addressed. The School Authority then forwards a copy of the consultant's letter, a copy of the cert of substantial completion and a covering letter confirming the final three bullet points to the undersigned. The documents being forwarded must include or confirm;

- A copy of the certificate of substantial completion from the Consultant.
- The consultant must confirm the monetary value of the final total cost of the building works inclusive of fees and VAT (exclusive of furniture)

- The Consultant's Opinion of Compliance of the relevant development with planning permission and or exemption from planning control.
- The Consultant's Opinion of Compliance of the relevant development with the building regulations including the fire safety certificate.
- Confirmation from the PSDP that the Safety File has been prepared and issued to the school managerial authority.
- A copy of the provisional Display Energy Certificate. Input form can be found at www.energyeducation.ie/dec
- The School Authority must confirm that:
  - o Prior to discharging any payment to the contractor, they notified the Revenue of the payment (Payment Notification)
  - o That they obtained a Deduction Authorisation from the Revenue specifying the tax to be deducted from the contractor
  - o Provided the contractor a copy of the deduction Authorisation
  - Deducted the applicable amount of tax from payments due to the contractor
  - o Filed RCT returns and paid the deducted amount to the Revenue
  - Filed monthly VAT returns and paid the VAT to the Revenue
  - Obtained and have kept a Deduction Summary Periodic Return at the end of each return period
- Written confirmation from the school authority that a minimum of 50% of the agreed retention percentage rate of the contract sum will be retained for a period of 12 months following the completion of the works and pending the necessary rectification of any building defects which may become apparent during that period, and that the retention sum shall not be expended for any other purpose.
- Confirmation that the school authority has received from the Consultant copies of all relevant drawings and documents, if possible in an appropriate electronic format, together with your Consultant's confirmation that the completed works are in accordance with these drawings and documents.

No payment will issue unless each of the bullet points are addressed

Yours sincerely

Mary Clavin Devolved Schemes Additional Accommodation Unit

Tel: 057 93 24444

#### Form of Acceptance

County: Cavan School: St.Bricin's College Roll No: 70350W

I confirm that Co. Cavan ETB, accepts the Department of Education and Skills offer of grant sanction under the Additional Accommodation Scheme 2013 in the amount of €400,000.00 (inclusive of fees and Vat) or the total cost of the works whichever is the lesser for the proposed works at the above named school. The School Authority also agrees:

- To engage a suitably qualified architect, engineer or Building Surveyor to provide appropriate professional advice for the works in accordance with the Department's guidance on Procuring Consultants for Small Works. The Consultant will have appropriate professional qualifications and previous experience in preparing reports of a similar nature.
- To obtain from the Consultant confirmation and proof of appropriate professional qualifications, professional indemnity insurance, employers liability insurance and holds a current tax clearance certificate for the duration of the contract.
- To comply with all statutory requirements, including building regulations, planning permission requirements and fire officer's requirements.
- To take all reasonable steps (as required by law) to satisfy themselves as to the competency of the PSDP, and to ensure that the Health and Safety Authority have been notified using the HSA form AF1.
- To ensure compliance with the Safety, Health and Welfare at Work Act 2005 and the Safety, Health and Welfare at Work (Construction) Regulations S.I. 504 of 2006.
- To obtain tenders on a fixed price basis using a competitive tendering process in accordance with TGD-007 3rd Edition March 2011 Design Team procedures for Small Works.
- To ensure that the contractor for the construction work:
  - 1. holds a current C2 tax clearance certificate for the duration of the contract
  - 2. is a member of the Construction Industry Pension/Sick Pay Scheme
  - 3. has current public and employers liability insurance
  - 4. complies with the Safety, Health and Welfare at Work Act 2005 and the Safety, Health and Welfare at Work (Construction) Regulations S.I. 504 of 2006.
  - 5. obtains a contract guarantee bond if the proposed building project exceeds €635,000 in value.
  - 6. has the manpower and other resources necessary to undertake the work involved within a reasonable period of time.
- To make payments to the contractor in accordance with the terms and conditions of the contract based on certificates submitted by its architect/engineer
- A percentage of projects will be audited. Accordingly, all information and records regarding this
  scheme must be retained for a period of seven years and must be produced for inspection to officials of
  the Department, if requested.
- To undertake to carry out all of the above in compliance with TGD-007 3rd Edition March 2011
  Design Team procedures for Small Works and the Department's guidance on Procuring Consultant's
  for Small Works April 2012.

Signed:	Date:	
on behalf of the school management authority		

#### **Frequently Asked Questions**

#### 1. Fees

• Following the process for engaging consultants outlined in the Department's guidance on Procuring Consultant's for Small Works (note especially section 3.0 (a)) will ensure the fee level for your project is appropriate. The School Authority is reminded that the grant being provided for this project is inclusive of all fees and requests for additional fees/project costs incurred as a result of uneconomical fees being agreed will not be considered. The School Authority should note that due to the downturn in the construction industry there have been substantial reductions in both the cost of building works and the cost of professional fees associated with building projects in the past 12 - 18 months. This has resulted in the Department achieving better value for money with regard to the fees being charged by consultants on all projects. The School Authority should ensure that the fees for the project reflect the current market realities.

#### 2. Advertising of Projects

#### Consultancy appointments:

- When the aggregated value (total fees) of all consultancy appointments for a project is below 650,000 (including VAT) the consultancy appointments do not have to be advertised on eTenders (www.etenders.gov.ie). However if there is the possibility of cross-border interest you must place an advertisement in eTenders.
- At least <u>five</u> firms should be invited to tender with the expectation that five tenders will be received.
- School Authorities are required to consider any Consultant (being qualified in the appropriate discipline) who has expressed an interest in tendering for the project (e.g. by writing or emailing the school), and where that Consultant meets (or declares that they meet) the minimum standard required must include that Consultant on the list of firms from whom tender submissions are being obtained.
- There is no upper limit on the number of Consultants permitted to submit quotes.

#### **Building Contractors**

- For projects with an estimated construction value of less than €50,000 ex VAT, advertisement on eTenders (www.etenders.gov.ie).or other national medium is not required (unless there is the possibility of cross-border interest). If the Open procedure is used, the School and their consultant must put an advertisement in the local papers (including cross-border papers where appropriate) stating how to obtain the tender documents and the latest date for the return of tenders.
- For projects greater than €50,000 an advertisement must be placed on eTenders (www.etenders.gov.ie).
- For all projects a minimum of at least 5 tenders must be sought and a minimum of 3 obtained.
- School Authorities and their Consultants are also required to consider any Contractor who has
  expressed an interest in tendering for the project (e.g. by writing or emailing the school or
  consultant), and where that Contractor meets the minimum standard required for the construction
  of the works must include that contractor on the list of firms tendering for the project.
- There is no upper limit on the number of contractors permitted to tender for the project

#### 3. Drawdown of Grant

- The consultant should confirm the 9 bullet points to the Department accompanied by a letter from the school authority requesting the first payment of 70% when the works commence on site.
- No other documentation should be forwarded to the Department and all irrelevant documentation will be returned.
- All documentation must be retained by the School Authority for seven years for auditing purposes.
- Following receipt of the 70% payment the school authority may then issue payments as directed by the consultant.
- The Department will issue the final payment of 30% following written confirmation from the consultant through the school authority of the remaining 8 bullet points and compliance with the 9 month deadline for the drawdown of the grant.



# Coiste Gairmoideachais Chontae an Chabháin

# **County Cavan Vocational Education Committee**

Martin G. O'Brien
Chief Executive Officer

Church View Square, Cavan
Tel. (049) 4331044 Fax (049) 4331467 Email: info@cavanvec.ie

On 1 July 2013 Co Cavan VEC merged with Co Monaghan VEC to form Cavan and Monaghan Education and Training Board (ETB).

29 July 2013

The Secretary
Devolved Schemes
Department of Education and Skills
Portlaoise Road
Tullamore
Co Offaly

Attention: Mary Clavin

Re: Provision of additional accommodation - St. Bricin's College - RN 70350W

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Attached please find Form of Acceptance in respect of the above.

Yours sincerely

p.p. (Martin G. O'Brien)

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**CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER** 

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Fuarthas - 1 AUG 2013

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#### Form of Acceptance

County: Cavan School: St.Bricin's College Roll No: 70350W

I confirm that Co. Cavan ETB, accepts the Department of Education and Skills offer of grant sanction under the Additional Accommodation Scheme 2013 in the amount of €400,000.00 (inclusive of fees and Vat) or the total cost of the works whichever is the lesser for the proposed works at the above named school. The School Authority also agrees:

- To engage a suitably qualified architect, engineer or Building Surveyor to provide appropriate
  professional advice for the works in accordance with the Department's guidance on Procuring
  Consultants for Small Works. The Consultant will have appropriate professional qualifications
  and previous experience in preparing reports of a similar nature.
- To obtain from the Consultant confirmation and proof of appropriate professional qualifications, professional indemnity insurance, employers liability insurance and holds a current tax clearance certificate for the duration of the contract.
- To comply with all statutory requirements, including building regulations, planning permission requirements and fire officer's requirements.
- To take all reasonable steps (as required by law) to satisfy themselves as to the competency of the PSDP, and to ensure that the Health and Safety Authority have been notified using the HSA form AF1.
- To ensure compliance with the Safety, Health and Welfare at Work Act 2005 and the Safety, Health and Welfare at Work (Construction) Regulations S.I. 504 of 2006.
- To obtain tenders on a fixed price basis using a competitive tendering process in accordance with TGD-007 3rd Edition March 2011 Design Team procedures for Small Works.
- To ensure that the contractor for the construction work:
  - 1. holds a current C2 tax clearance certificate for the duration of the contract
  - 2. is a member of the Construction Industry Pension/Sick Pay Scheme
  - 3. has current public and employers liability insurance
  - complies with the Safety, Health and Welfare at Work Act 2005 and the Safety, Health and Welfare at Work (Construction) Regulations S.I. 504 of 2006.
  - obtains a contract guarantee bond if the proposed building project exceeds £635,000 in value.
  - 6. has the manpower and other resources necessary to undertake the work involved within a reasonable period of time.
- To make payments to the contractor in accordance with the terms and conditions of the contract based on certificates submitted by its architect/engineer
- A percentage of projects will be audited. Accordingly, all information and records regarding this
  scheme must be retained for a period of seven years and must be produced for inspection to officials of
  the Department, if requested.
- To undertake to carry out all of the above in compliance with TGD-007 3rd Edition March 2011
  Design Team procedures for Small Works and the Department's guidance on Procuring Consultant's
  for Small Works April 2012.

Signed: Deka Journal on behalf of the school management authority

Date:



# Coiste Gairmoideachais Chontae an Chabháin County Cavan Vocational Education Committee

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01 August 2013

Ms Tona Redmond
Post-Primary Building Unit
Department of Education and Skills
Portlaoise Road
Tullamore
Co Offaly

Re: Provision of Additional Accommodation – St. Bricin's College, 4 Mainstream Classrooms and 1 Special Education Class

Dear Tona

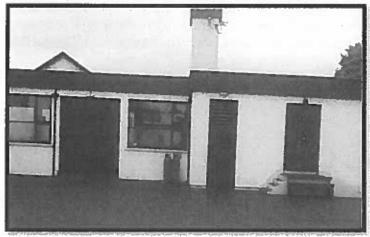
I visited St. Bricin's College in Belturbet recently which was built in 1937. The reason for my visit was to see where the additional approved accommodation could be fitted into the existing school site and how it would integrate with existing facilities. Having reviewed the existing accommodation, in the context of student/curricular needs and the fact that the school operates from a very restricted site - It became apparent that the existing provision for Metalwork, Woodwork, Engineering and Construction Studies were in fact inadequate. Both rooms are too small and what is worrying is the fact that the circular saw is located in the middle of the teaching space in the woodwork room. There is no wood preparation or machining area, no project store and the room is below TGD specification pertaining to area.







The existing provision for Metalwork and Woodwork is located in the oldest part of the school, 1937 part and neither room can be modified (in a cost effective way) to make them compliant with current TGD standards or compliant with current Health and Safety legislation applicable to these subjects. In addition it is not possible to expand the footprint of either room's in a cost efficient way in order to make them comply with current approved area limits for these specialist rooms. In fact the only thing to do with the existing Metalwork room is to demolish it completely. It is constructed in accordance with specifications applicable in 1930's and has a flat roof, no insulation, etc.



St. Bricin's College is the only Second Level School in West Cavan offering Engineering to Leaving Cert as St. Mogue's College, Bawnboy had to discontinue the provision owing to allocation and staffing available. It is therefore essential that students in West Cavan have access to appropriate accommodation and equipment to meet the needs of the State Examination Commission in the aforementioned two specialist subject areas.

Having reviewed the site, the only sensible option is to build a new woodwork and metalwork room on the ground floor and accommodate the general classrooms already sanctioned at 1<sup>st</sup> floor level. This approach represents better value for money, it facilitates double loading of classrooms on first floor level which is the Department of Education and Skills preferred option in terms of building efficiency and meets Department of Education and Skills approved costs limit as well as providing both subject areas with modern and TGD compliant accommodation for the future.

If we are to proceed and build classrooms on ground floor level and later seek to locate Engineering and woodwork rooms at first floor level, we are of the view that the Department of Education and Skills would not favour this approach, all be it at a later stage as this option represents poor planning on behalf of the ETB and will provide poor value for money. We believe that the proposal we are putting forward represents best value for money, it will mean all rooms are fully TGD compliant and all relevant legislation and requirements of State Examinations Commission can be fully adhered to.

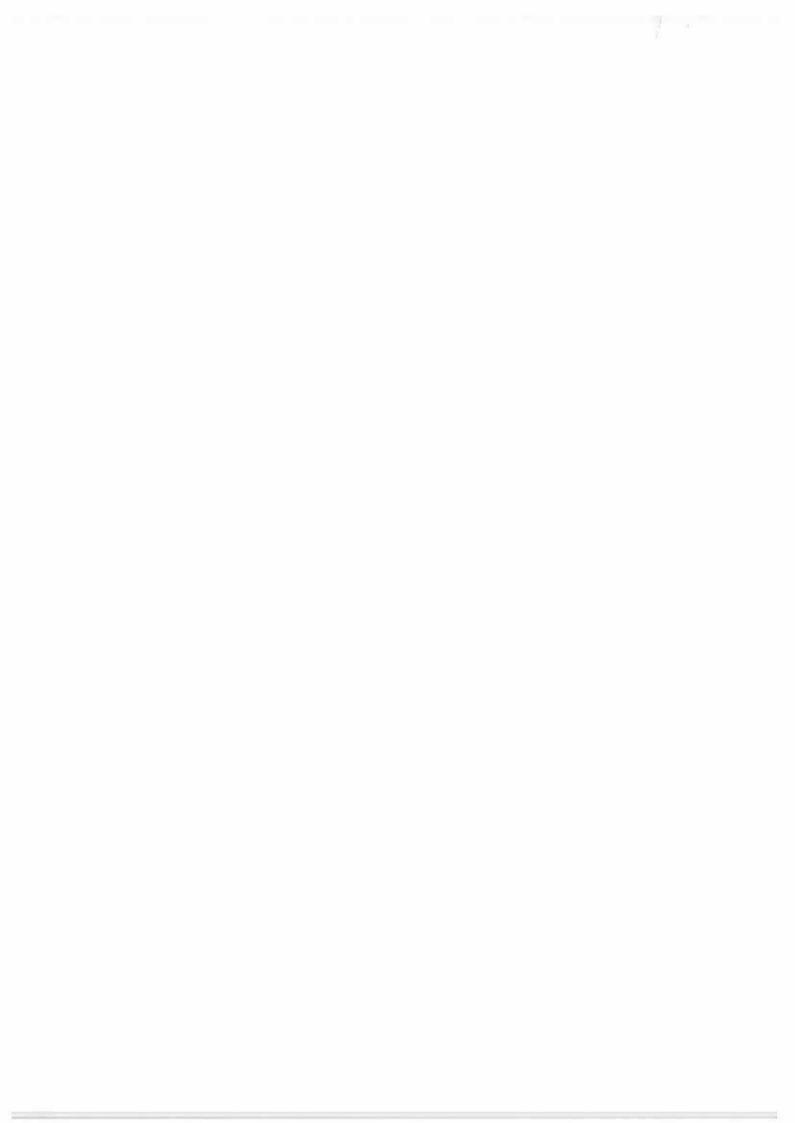
This is to request approval to construct an Engineering Room, Construction Studies Room and wood preparation and machining area and associated project storage space.

I trust you will give favourable consideration to our proposal.

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Yours sincerely

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER



An Rainn Oideachais agus Scileanna Bótha Thort Laoise Ar-Turach Mhór Ce Jibh Fhailí



Department of Education and Skills Portlaoise Road Tullamore Co. Offaly

December 2013

Martin G. O'Brien
Chief Executive Officer
Monaghan Cavan Education and Training Board
Administration Centre
Market Street
Monaghan
Co Monaghan

Re: Application for additional accommodation at St Bricin's College, Co Cavan - RN 70350W

Dear Mr O'Brien,

I refer to the Department's approval of classroom accommodation for St. Bricin's College and your subsequent letter dated 1st August 2013 seeking additional specialist rooms.

Following on from a site visit by Department staff on 21<sup>st</sup> August, I am pleased to advise that the Department is in a position to increase the overall grant amount in order to provide this additional accommodation.

The totality of the additional accommodation now being approved is outline in the Schedule of Residual Accommodation attached. In addition, the future use of the existing woodwork room and adjacent store is outlined in the Schedule of Future Use attached. A further letter confirming the total level of grant aid for the project and the conditions associated with the grant will issue shortly. Please await receipt of this letter and complete the Form of Acceptance that will accompany it before proceeding with the project.

In addition to the conditions contained in the grant letter, the following specific conditions will also apply and these, together with the guidance below, should be provided to the Design Team:

- Demolish the existing single story Metal Work Room
- Construct a two story extension in the same location to include the rooms set out in the Schedule of Residual Accommodation attached.
- Connect the new build to the existing school building to provide internal circulation.
- The Boiler House to remain in the existing location with no physical changes other than service upgrading/redecoration/other works specified by the Department.
- Convert the existing Woodwork Room into a Special Needs Room. Convert the adjacent store room into support accommodation for the Special Needs Room.

- The Design Team is to ensure that the final design and layout of the school site should be site specific and leave the school with a <u>maximum</u> amount of external play spaces.
- The Design Team is to ensure the guidance in relation to the requirements for the Technology Room and Metalwork Room provided in DoES Post Primary School Room layouts is used to design these rooms, specifically in relation to the Drawing No. RT-022/Technical Note 13 'Natural Light and Ventilation required for the area marked in the Plan as Zone A'. This is available on the Department's website
- The Design Teams should show options for <u>future extensions</u> to all proposals.
- The Design Team should develop design options in accordance with the DoES Design Team Procedures, Technical Guidance Documents and project norms. These may also be accessed on the Department's website.

Yours sincerely,

Tona Redmond, HEO

School Capital Appraisal Section

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# St Bricin's College - RN 70350W Railway Road, Belturbet, Co Cavan Additional Accommodation approval December 2013

## 1.1 Schedule of Future Use

Space No	Current Space Name	Proposed Floor Area/m²	Suggested Future Use
1	Woodwork Room	88	Special Needs Room
2	Adjacent Room: Store 2	26	Support Room for Special Needs Room

# 1.2 Schedule of Residual Accommodation

Unit No	Space Name	Unit Area/m²	Total Area m²	Comments
4	General Classrooms	49	196	
1	Wood/Technology/Construction Studies	136	136	
1	Wood/Technology machining &			
1	Preparation Room	65	65	
1	Metal Work/Technology Room	136	136	
1	New Principal's Office	22	22	
	Sub Total		555	
	Internal walls & sub division @ 6%		34	
	Circulation @ 18%		100	
1	Fire Secure Stair	25	50	
	Total		739	

School Name: St Bricin's College

School Address: Railway Road, Belturbet, Co Cavan

Roll Number: 70350W

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	<u>Details</u>	Area	Rate / %	Amt
	Special Needs Allowance External Works Allowance	739	€930.00 20%	€687,270.00
	Abnormal Costs		13% 15%	
				€687,270.00
	Fitted Furniture	337	€60.00	€20,220.00
	Subtotal:			€707,490.00
	Professional Fees		8%	€56,599.20
	VAT on Prof Fees		23%	€13,017.82
	VAT on building works		13.5%	€95,511.15
	Fire & Diability Cert (VAT incl)			€1,600.00
	Total			€874,218.17

#### Additional Information:

Costings revised to take into account Principal's office. This space and the 4 no mainstream classrooms were not included in figure for furniture allowance.

The figure above includes provision for everything (fees, certs, fitted furniture) and is VAT inclusive. The Devolved Section should be advised not to increase the amount which will result in doubling up of funding.

In addition, an existing struture will be refurbished for Special Needs use. The standard Devolved Grant amount for this is €120,000.00 - therfore the overall grant amount is €994,218.17 I recommend this amount be referred to Patrick O'Neill, QS for technical comment.

Mr. Martin G. O'Brien, Chief Executive Officer Cavan & Monaghan ETB Administration Centre Market Street Monaghan Co. Monaghan

5<sup>th</sup> February 2014

Re: Provision of Additional Accommodation — St. Bricin's College —
4 x 49m2 Mainstream Classrooms, 1 x 100m2 Special Needs Classroom, 1 x 136m2
Wood/Technology/Construction Studies, 1 x 65m2 Wood/Technology machining &
Prep. Room, 1 x 136m2 Metal Work/Technology Room and 1 x 22m2 New
Principals Office - Roll No: 70350W

Dear Sir/Madam.

Please note this letter supersedes Department's letter of 10th July 2013.

Further to Department's letter dated December 2013, issued by Tona Redmond, and to the ETB's application for funding to provide for additional accommodation at St. Bricin's College, the Department is pleased to offer a grant in the amount of £1,007.218.17 inclusive of Vat, fees & furniture for classrooms or the total of the approved works, whichever is the lesser for the proposed works at your school under the 2013 Additional Accommodation Scheme. (Furniture grant will be paid at 70% drawdown stage.)

Breakdown as follows: Build: €994,218.17 Furniture: €13,000.00

This financial information is strictly confidential to the School Authority. Dissemination of information regarding the grant amount offered for this project to a wider audience in advance of tendering for the works could prejudice the tender competition thereby negating the grant offer.

#### <u>Fees</u>

School management authorities must follow the process for engaging consultants outlined in the Department's guidance on Procuring Consultants for Small Works. The School Authority are reminded that the grant being provided for this project is inclusive of all fees and requests for additional fees/project costs incurred as a result of uneconomical fees being agreed will not be considered. The School Authority should note that due to the downturn in the construction industry there have been substantial reductions in both the cost of building works and the cost of professional fees associated with building projects. This has resulted in the Department achieving

It is essential that once appointed the PSDP and Project Consultant (as a first step in the design process) review the School's Safety File to establish the position relating to any health and safety issues such as the presence of asbestos. The School Authority must obtain written confirmation that the PSDP and Consultant are aware of the contents of the School's Safety File and the School's Asbestos Register. This requirement is to comply with Health and Safety Legislation and protect the Board from the possibility of criminal prosecution. Where there is a possibility of asbestos in the area of the school which will be affected by the works a Pre-refurbishment / Demolitions Survey (formerly a Type 3 Survey) may be required required. This includes the following circumstances:

- 1. where the school building was built prior to 1990 and
- 2. where the School Asbestos Survey indicates that the approved works will interfere with asbestos containing materials or
- 3. where it is known or suspected that the approved works will interfere with asbestos containing materials

#### Tax Compliance

The School Authority should note that changes in relation to the operation of Relevant Contracts Tax (RCT) which is a tax regime applicable to construction contracts in which tax is deducted from payments for construction operations due to the contractor by the principal contractor. RCT usually applies to main contractors in their dealings with sub-contractors. However, the Revenue Commissioners have recently indicated that School Authorities are now to be regarded as "Principal Contractor". This means that the School Authority will be responsible for complying with RCT requirements and VAT returns when making payments to the contractor. The Revenue introduced a mandatory electronic RCT system on 1 January 2012 for all principal contractors in the RCT system, so all filings and notifications must be done online through the Revenue ROS system.

The Revenue Commissioners have prepared a Guidance Note to assist Boards of Management with the operation of RCT and Reverse Charge VAT and this guidance note is available on the Revenue Commissioners Website and can be accessed by following this link: <a href="http://www.revenue.ie/en/tax/rct/guidance-boards-rct-vat.pdf">http://www.revenue.ie/en/tax/rct/guidance-boards-rct-vat.pdf</a>

The School Authority is also asked to ensure that:

- the Tax Clearance rules\* are adhered to, and
- Arrangements for the engagement of individuals or businesses to work in or on the school
  premises or directly in connection with school activities, even on a once off basis, fully
  support the need for timely and full compliance with tax return filing and payment
  obligations by such individuals or businesses.

<sup>\*</sup> Tax Clearance Certificate or a certificate demonstrating a satisfactory level of subcontractor tax compliance are required in relation to all public sector contracts of a value of €10,000 (inclusive of VAT) or more. See www.revenue.ie for further details.

- The School Authority understands their legal duty to appoint a competent PSDP and is satisfied that they have taken reasonable steps to satisfy themselves as to the competency of the PSDP
- The School Authority confirms that the tender process and contract award for the appointment of a Consultant has been carried out in accordance with the Department's guidance on Procuring Consultants for Small Works.
- The School Authority confirms that they have:
  - o Registered online for ROS (Revenue Online System)
  - o Registered for VAT and as a Main Contractor
  - o Obtain contractor's tax reference number and proof of identity
  - o Prior to commencement of construction, that they have notified the Revenue of the contract (Contract Notification)
- A PSDP has been appointed, the appointment has been confirmed in writing by the Client, and the Health and Safety Authority have been notified using the HSA form AF1.
- The PSDP has checked the safety file and has taken the appropriate action in relation to asbestos.
- A Preliminary Safety & Health Plan has been prepared by the PSDP and provided to tenderers as part of the tender documents.
- The consultant must confirm the monetary value of the total cost of the building works inclusive of fees and VAT (exclusive of furniture)
- The works undertaken are in accordance with the scope of works for which the grant was approved.
- Circular 10/2010 has been complied with.
- The tender process and contract award has been carried out in accordance with the terms
  outlined in the Departments Technical Guidance Documents as relevant (refer to
  TGD007) and that the contract has been awarded to the lowest tenderer and if not a
  detailed explanation must be provided as to why the lowest tender has not been accepted
- The management authority has placed a contract for the proposed works with the successful contractor and the contractor is on site and has commenced the works.

The second and final payment will be for the remaining 30% of the Department's liability and will be paid on receipt of the written confirmation as follows:

When the works have reached substantial completion the consultant must provide a covering letter confirming that the documentation outlined below has been forwarded to the School Authority. All bullet points must be

addressed. The School Authority then forwards a copy of the consultant's letter, a copy of the cert of substantial completion and a covering letter confirming the final three bullet points to the undersigned. The documents being forwarded must include or confirm;

- A copy of the certificate of substantial completion from the Consultant.
- The consultant must confirm the monetary value of the final total cost of the building works inclusive of fees and VAT (exclusive of furniture)
- The Consultant's *Opinion of Compliance* of the relevant development with planning permission and or exemption from planning control.
- The Consultant's *Opinion of Compliance* of the relevant development with the building regulations including the fire safety certificate.
- Confirmation from the PSDP that the Safety File has been prepared and issued to the school managerial authority.

#### Form of Acceptance

County: Cavan School: St.Bricin's College Roll No: 70350W

I confirm that Co. Cavan ETB, accepts the Department of Education and Skills offer of grant sanction under the Additional Accommodation Scheme 2013 in the amount of €994,218.17 (inclusive of fees and Vat) or the total cost of the works whichever is the lesser for the proposed works at the above named school. The School Authority also agrees:

- To engage a suitably qualified architect, engineer or Building Surveyor to provide appropriate
  professional advice for the works in accordance with the Department's guidance on Procuring
  Consultants for Small Works. The Consultant will have appropriate professional qualifications
  and previous experience in preparing reports of a similar nature.
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- To take all reasonable steps (as required by law) to satisfy themselves as to the competency of the PSDP, and to ensure that the Health and Safety Authority have been notified using the HSA form AF1.
- To ensure compliance with the Safety, Health and Welfare at Work Act 2005 and the Safety, Health and Welfare at Work (Construction) Regulations S.I. 504 of 2006.
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- A percentage of projects will be audited. Accordingly, all information and records regarding this
  scheme must be retained for a period of seven years and must be produced for inspection to officials of
  the Department, if requested.
- To undertake to carry out all of the above in compliance with TGD-007 3rd Edition March 2011 Design Team procedures for Small Works and the Department's guidance on Procuring Consultant's for Small Works April 2012.

Signed:	Date:	
on behalf of the school management authority		





21 May 2015

Ms Tona Redmond, HEO
Planning Building Unit
Department of Education & Skills
Government Buildings
Portlaoise Road
Tullamore
Co Offaly

RE: Application for Additional Accommodation, Special Needs Unit
St Bricins College -- Roll No: 70350W

Dear Tona

Further to our conversation pertaining to the Special Needs Unit, St Bricin's College RN: 70350W please find application for same enclosed and all supporting documentation.

Yours sincerely

MARTIN G O'BRIEN CHIEF EXECUTIVE School Capital Appraisal Contion

Department of Editors on and Skills



# Application Form for Additional School Accommodation for POST PRIMARY SCHOOLS Form ASA

(This form must only be completed in respect of urgently required additional school accommodation)

Department of Education and Skills

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School Capital Appraisal Section

# 1. BASIC SCHOOL DETAILS

1.1

School Name:	St Bricin's College				
Address:	Railway Rd, Belturbet, Co Cavan				
School Roll No 70350W	School Telephone No 049 9522170	School e-mail address info@stbricinscollege.ie			
Principal's Name	Mary Sheridan				

1.2 Please give details of contact person

Name	Mary Sheridan
Role in school	Principal
Phone number	049 9522170

Portlaoise Road, Tullamore, Co. Offaly Telephone 057 9324300

Application for grant aid towards additional school accommodation Schools Capital Appraisal Section. Planning & Building Unit, Department of Education and Skills

# 2. APPLICATION DETAILS

2.1 Give details of accommodation for which grant-aid is being sought (e.g. prefabricated structure, existing premises, new build etc)

Special Needs Unit - Autism	to be sanctured in the future
Special Needs Unit - Moderate Learning Unit	sanctioned wer 2013/14 and
	accommodatal in a precabilitie.

2.2 Date from which accommodation is required

(DD / MM / YYYY) 31 Aug 2016

2.3 Indicate why additional accommodation is required (e.g. new appointment, replacement etc.)

See letters attached from N				
Replacement of Pre-Fab - since September 2013	to accommodate	a Moderate	Learning Ur	it sanctioned

# Site Details

2.4

Who owns the site?	ETB		
Size of site (approx.)	Hectares or 2.3 Acres		
If a new build or prefabricated structure is considered the appropriate solution is there sufficient space on site, if sanctioned?	Yes No D		

# **Status of School Provision**

2.5

Recognition:	Temporary Permanent
Has an application for a building project been submitted to the Department?	Yes 🗹 No 🗆
Is the school on the 5 Year Plan?	Yes No No
If a building project is ongoing please state estimated completion date?	DD / MM / YYYY / 31/8/16 /

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Schools Capital Appraisal Section, Planning & Building Unit, Department of Education and Skills

# 3. ENROLMENT DETAILS

3.1

Current enrolment as at 30 September 20_14 (as per October Returns)	224
Projected enrolment September 20_15	255
Projected enrolment September 20_16	285

## 4. TEACHING STAFF:

In certain circumstances, the Department may request the following additional information from the school;

- 4.1. Copy of Teacher Allocation form.
- 4.2. Classroom Timetables for School.

# 5. SCHOOL ACCOMMODATION DETAILS

**5.1** Please give details of existing accommodation and current use (attach an additional sheet if necessary):

M²	Actual size m²	Number of permanent classrooms		se of each roo applicable	m as
<40		4			
	49	1	Со	mputer Room	
≥40<50	49	1		DCG Suite	
	<u>49</u>	1	Gei	ieral classroom	
	105	1		Economics & stor	re
	96	1	Scie	nce Lab & store	
	120	1		Art Room	
	112	1		incering & store	
≥50	112	1	Woo	odwork & Store	
	63	1	Maths room		
	63	1	Gei	ieral classroom	
	Actual size m <sup>2</sup>	No. of prefabricated / portacabin classrooms	Current use of each	Monthly rent (if applic)	Name of landlord/ supplier
<40					
	56	1	General		
≥40<50	56	1	Moderate Unit		

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≥50			

**5.2** Other accommodation *not included in previous table*. Please <u>enter m²</u> (If rented please give details)

	m²	Rental Details (if applible)
Principal's Office	8	
General Office	6	
Staff Room	42	
Multi-purpose Room	112	Canteen
GP Room		
Library	152	
Others (Please specify)	9	Careers Office
	9	Year Head Office

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5.3 Does the school	currently I	have a	universal	access toilet?	Yes		No	

5.4 If the school uses any other premises please give details:

M <sup>2</sup>	Details	Current use of each	Monthly rent (if applicable)
	· · · ·		

5.	5 Is there a pre or located o	e-school or other user on the school site?	operating from the school p No	oremises
If of	yes, please give perator.	e details including arrang	ements between school and p	ore-school/other
			1 10 0	
M <sup>2</sup>	Permanent or prefab	Current Use	Previous use of area	Monthly rent received (if applicable)

In certain circumstances, the Department may request the following additional information from the school;

- ✓ A complete current accommodation inventory, including room sizes
- ✓ A set of up-to-date Floor Plans with the identities and dimensions for all spaces (metric) ideally these should be architectural drawings.
- ✓ Ordnance Survey Map showing school site.

# 6. Additional Information

Any additional supporting documentation must be securely attached to the back of the application form and listed below. This page can also be used for any other information relevant to the application.

# Attachments Enclosed NCSE — Senior Special Educational Needs Organiser — Cavan B Area

Application to DES for SNU – Autism

NGSE – Sanction for SNU – Moderate Learning Unit ( 2013)

#### Other Relevant Information

We have sanction of commitment for the enclosed building accommodation see DoES letter of approval dated 5<sup>th</sup> February 2014 and wish to include this unit in our planning application to avoid duplication and obtain economies of scale.

Please see enclosed letter from NCSE to DoES dated 29 April 2015 requesting CMETB to make provision for the facility applied for in this application

#### Please note:

• Information provided is subject to the Freedom of Information Acts 1997 and 2003

# **DECLARATION AND CERTIFICATION**

We hereby apply for grant-aid for towards the additional school accommodation as described in section 2: Application Details.

We are aware of and agreeable to the condition that if this application is successful and results in the provision of capital funding; that this funding must be secured legally.

In accordance with Section 15 of the Education Act 1998, we certify that this Board of Management has consulted with the Patron/Trustees. We confirm that, where applicable:-

- (i) the application has the approval of the Patron/Trustees
- (ii) the application has the support of the Board of Management
- (iii) the proposed project is to be carried out within the confines of the vested school area.

We certify that all of the information given in this application is true and complete to the best of our knowledge and any material change in circumstances will be **notified immediately** to the School's Capital Appraisal Section of the Department of Education and Skills.

We understand and declare that this application is made subject to contract and does not constitute, form part of or give rise to an agreement or contract with the Minister for Education and Skills.

CEO Name: MARTIN GO BRIEN	(block letters) CEO of
CAVAN & MONAGIAN	Education & Training Board
Roll Number 70350W.	
Signed: Mut 40Br	Date: 20/5/2015
or	
Chairperson's Name:	(block letters) Chairperson,
Board of Management of	
Roll Number	
Signed:	Date: 20/ 5 / 20 15
and	i .
Principal's Name: HALY SHERIC	(block letters) Principal
of ST BRICIA'S COLLECCE	- RAILINAY Rd BELTURGET
Roll Number 70350W.	

Application for grant aid towards additional school accommodation Schools Capital Appraisal Section, Planning & Building Unit, Department of Education and Skills 

### Kamond, Tona

From:

Martin G. O'Brien <ceo@cmetb.ie>

Sent:

25 August 2015 15:10

To:

Redmond, Tona

Subject:

St Bricin's Belturbet

Tona

I refer to DoEs letter of 5 October 2014 and schedule of accommodation provided which includes a special needs room but omits the following which are required to enable the full utilisation of the facility

This is to request the following accommodation in order to accommodate children with special needs

Central Activities Space

80 M ×

En-suite toilet and shower area

30M

Practical Activity Room

50M 🗸

Storage

30101 / 5

Office

20M <

Staff and Student toilets

50M

Circulation@18%

46M

Internal walls and partitions

18M

Can you give me a call on 087 6080587

Also larking for 2 no. prefabs until perm structure is completed.

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Regards

Martin

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Mr Martin G O'Brien CEO Cavan Monaghan ETB Administration Centre Market St Monaghan Co Monaghan

20th October 2015

Re: St Bricin's College, Co Cavan – Roll No. 70350W

Additional Accommodation Scheme 2013 - per attached schedule

Dear Martin,

This letter supersedes letter approved in February 2014.

I refer to your application under Additional Accommodation Scheme 2013. The Department has approved an all in grant for the provision of the above additional accommodation at St Bricin's College, Co Cavan. The ETB must utilise this grant to build a permanent structure which should not be positioned where it will interfere with any future development at the school.

The project scope, being over £1m in value, is outside the remit of the Department's "Guidance on Procuring Consultants for Small Works"; therefore, a full Design Team comprising four individually appointed consultants is required. It will be necessary to terminate the contract for the original Consultant and to submit an invoice for aborted fees and details of work carried out to date in respect of the original project. The following documentation is to be used in the tender process for the consultants. Please note carefully the documents that are to be accessed from websites by tenderers and the documents not to be accessed in that way which are to be made available to tenderers by uploading onto eTenders.

#### Documents to be made available to tenderers:

(To be uploaded on eTenders, included as attachments with this letter)

Project Brief

(To be uploaded on eTenders, available from <u>www.education.ie</u> > School Building & Design > Appointment of Consultants > Tender Documents (Open Procedure for Minor Projects)

- DoES Form of Tender Consultants Minor (Architect, Design Team Leader) 2015
- DoES Form of Tender Consultants Minor (Engineers & QS) 2015
- DoES Tender Excel Marking Matrix 2015
- DoES ITTS Instructions to Tenderers 2015 (Open)
- DoES Schedule of Stage Services for Construction Consultants (Revision 3, Jan 2015)
- Conditions of Engagement Architect/Design Team Leader:

DoES COE1- including Schedules A & B (Architect, Design Team Leader) - 2015

• Conditions of Engagement - Engineers & QS:

DoES COE1- including Schedules A & B (Engineers & QS) – 2015.

(To be customised for this particular project and uploaded on eTenders, available from www.education.is as above)

• Template Letter of Invitation to Tender (Open) - 2015

(To be accessed from Department of Education and Skills website, www.education.ie)

- DoES-QC1 Suitability Assessment Declaration 2013
- DoES-QC1 Appendix B1
- DoES-QCI Appendix B2

Documents to be used in the assessment/award process (included as attachments with this letter):

- Sample Letter of Acceptance Type 2a
- Sample Letter of Intent Type 2a
- Sample Letter to Unsuccessfuls Type 2a

It should be noted that simply placing a contract notice on eTenders does not guarantee an adequate tender response from consultants. It is necessary for the client to make contact with consultants known to the client that would be considered suitable and alert them to the tendering opportunity.

To ensure maximum exposure to possible tenderers care must be taken in completing the eTenders contract notice to select the appropriate Common Procurement Vocabulary (CPV) codes that encompass all of the disciplines being procured (see page 10 of the Department's Step by Step Guide to using eTenders which can be found at <a href="https://www.education.ie">www.education.ie</a> under School Building & Design > Appointment of Consultants > Small Works).

A separate competition for the appointment of a PSDP is to be run in parallel with the Design Team appointments, using the Department's PSDP framework. A separate communication will issue in relation to the PSDP appointment.

Please Note: For the purposes of the Design Team tender competition, the project type is to be Type 2a(2).

The Form of Acceptance (Appendix 1) outlines the total approved grant for the works inclusive of VAT, fees, furniture & ICT. The furniture grant will be paid at the first 25% drawdown stage and ICT will be paid at final 25% drawdown stage. This information is commercially sensitive and not for general release.

The grant is intended to cover the project as outlined in the attached Project Brief and includes for Professional Fees (including normal associated costs such as surveys and investigations). Professional fees are deemed to include for procuring all required statutory consents (planning permission, fire safety certificate, disability access certificate) and for complying with the Building Control (Amendment) Regulations 2014.

Where the grant approval includes for the provision of special needs accommodation it should be noted that Special Needs Accommodation should be connected to the existing building and the budget will allow for minimum costs associated with such connection.

The form of acceptance cannot be completed and returned until you have tendered for and appointed your Design Team for the works in accordance with the Department's Guidelines and this takes a minimum of 4 weeks.

Once you return the form of acceptance the schools insurance brokers should be notified that works will commence shortly thereafter.

The Department must be informed immediately should any reimbursement be received by the school from any source (e.g. an insurance claim) in respect of the works being grant-aided.

The grant will be paid out in tranches of 25%. The grant is sanctioned on condition that the works commence on site and 25% of the funding is drawn down within 12 months of the date of this letter and that the balance of funding is drawn down within 24 months of this date. If there are valid circumstances why the above timetable cannot be met a case should be made to the undersigned for an extension of these deadlines.

To cover the payment of fees due to your Design Team at Stages 1 and Stage 2b, the Department will issue a payment to cover these costs at the end of Stage 1, when requested by the ETB. The advance payment for fees will subsequently be deducted from the first drawdown of 25%.

On completion of Stage 1 the ETB and the Design Team Leader will be required to attend a short project review meeting in Tullamore. Please find attached a copy of the Brief Formulation Report.

All cost associated with works carried out over and above the level of grant aid approved in this letter must be borne by the ETB unless otherwise agreed in writing.

Yours sincerely,

Regina Gannon School Building Unit

057 9324429

#### Appendix 1

on behalf of the ETB

#### Form of Acceptance

(This form cannot be completed and returned until the ETB has carried out a tender competition for the appointment of a Design Team for the works)

County: Cavan School: St Bricin's College Roll No: 70350W I confirm that the xx accepts the Department of Education and Skills offer of grant sanction under the Additional Accommodation Scheme 2013 in the amount of €1,740,000 (inclusive of fees & VAT) for the works for the proposed works at the above named school. The School Authority has (please tick) In accordance with the Department's Guidance: • Complied with the necessary advertising and tendering requirements • Appointed the preferred tenderer(s) for consultancy services Appointed a PSDP Where the Building Control (Amendment) Regulation 2014 apply, appointed an П **Assigned Certifier** The School Authority agrees to comply with: The Department's Design Team Procedures and Technical Guidance Documents (TGDs) Department Finance Circular 10/2014 ☐ All statutory requirements including building, planning & fire officer requirements and where applicable the Building Control (Amendment) Regulations 2014 Obligations under Safety Health & Welfare Acts Duties and Guidance for Boards of Management on dealing with Asbestos ☐ RCT requirements and VAT Returns ☐ Drawdown Requirements to release funding To ensure the appointed Consultant(s) refers to the DoES TGDs where appropriate A percentage of projects will be audited. Accordingly, all information and records regarding this scheme must be retained at the school for a period of seven years and must be produced for inspection to officials of the Department, if requested. (Note: relying on the Consultant to store documentation is not acceptable.) Signed: Date:

Mr Martin G O'Brien CEO Cavan Monaghan ETB

22<sup>nd</sup> October 2015

Re: Additional Accommodation Scheme 2013 St Bricin's College – Roll No. 70350W

Dear Martin,

I refer to your application under the Additional Accommodation Scheme 2013 and the Department's approval letter dated 22<sup>nd</sup> October 2015.

In that letter it was outlined that a separate appointment would be necessary for the appointment of a PSDP for the project which is to be run in parallel with the Design Team appointments, using the Department's PSDP framework.

The attached documentation is required in order to tender for PSDP services for projects over €1m (Type 2a) from the Department's PSDP framework.

It should be noted that the attached documentation is different from the documentation to be used on Major Projects (I.e. Type 2b and Type 3 projects).

I trust the above is in order, however if you any queries please contact the undersigned.

Regards,

Regina Gannon Building Unit – Devolved Schemes Mr Martin G O'Brien CEO Cavan Monaghan ETB Administration Centre Market St Monaghan Co Monaghan



9th March, 2016

Re: St Bricin's College, Co Cavan – Roll No. 70350W

**Additional Accommodation Scheme 2013** 

Dear Sir,

I refer to your application for additional funding required for aborted fees.

Following assessment of your application, this Department is prepared to increase the level of grant aid to €1,755,665.25 (inclusive of VAT and fees) or the final cost of the works, whichever is the lesser.

This increase in grant aid reflects the additional works in the amount of €15,665.25 inclusive of VAT.

Please note the terms and conditions of original approval letter still applies.

I trust that this is in order. However, if you have any further queries please contact the undersigned.

Yours sincerely,

Ann Hewitt

Devolved Schemes Unit



Bord Oideachais agus Oiliúna an Chabháin agus Mhuineacháin Cavan and Monaghan Education and Training Board



07 April 2017

Ms Regina Gannon
School Building Unit
Department of Education & Skills
Portlaoise Road
Tullamore
Co. Offaly

Additional Accommodation Unit

1 1 APR 2017

Dear kegina,

Re: St Bricin's College, Roll No. 70350W, Additional Accommodation Scheme

Please find enclosed Form of Acceptance for the grant offered under the Additional Accommodation scheme for the above named school.

Yours sincerely

JOHN KEARNEY CHIEF EXECUTIVE

Encs



#### Appendix 1

#### Form of Acceptance

(This form cannot be completed and returned until the ETB has carried out a tender competition for the appointment of a Design Team for the works)

County: Cavan

School: St Bricin's College

Roll No: 70350W

I confirm that the xx accepts the Department of Education and Skills offer of grant sanction under the Additional Accommodation Scheme 2013 in the amount of £1,740,000 (inclusive of fees & VAT) for the works for the proposed works at the above named school.

The School Authority has (please tick)

In	accordance	with	the	Department's	Guidance:
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- Complied with the necessary advertising and tendering requirements
- Appointed the preferred tenderer(s) for consultancy services
- Appointed a PSDP
  - Where the Building Control (Amendment) Regulation 2014 apply, appointed an Assigned Certifier

The School Authority agrees to comply with:

- The Department's Design Team Procedures and Technical Guidance Documents (TGDs)
- Department Finance Circular 10/2014
- All statutory requirements including building, planning & fire officer requirements and where applicable the Building Control (Amendment) Regulations 2014
- Obligations under Safety Health & Welfare Acts
- Duties and Guidance for Boards of Management on dealing with Asbestos
- RCT requirements and VAT Returns
- Drawdown Requirements to release funding
- To ensure the appointed Consultant(s) refers to the DoES TGDs where appropriate

A percentage of projects will be audited. Accordingly, all information and records regarding this scheme must be retained at the school for a period of seven years and must be produced for inspection to officials of the Department, if requested. (Note: relying on the Consultant to store documentation is not acceptable.)

Signed:

n behalf of the ETB

Mecony Date: 2/4(1)





Bord Oideachais agus Oiliúna an Chabháin agus Mhuineacháin Cavan and Monaghan Education and Training Board



27 July 2017

Mr Noel Coonan
Devolved Schemes
School Building Unit
Department of Education & Skills
Portlaoise Road
Tullamore
Co. Offaly
R35 Y2N5

Re: St Bricin's College, Roll No. 70350W, Additional Accommodation Scheme

Dear Noel.

Further to recent communications please find enclosed Stage 1 Report for St Bricin's College Additional Accommodation.

We understand you will forward to the Technical Staff for consideration and revert with dates for the Stage 1 meeting.

Yours sincerely

John Hearney

JOHN KEARNEY CHIEF EXECUTIVE

Encs: (1) Keys and Monaghan Architect Report

(2) McGahon Surveyors QS Report

(3) Semple & McKillop Building Services Report

(4) Taylor & Boyd Consulting Structural and Civil Engineers

(5) DBFL Design Safety Report

(6) Causeway Geotech Ground Investigation

John Kearney
CEO
Cavan Monaghan ETB
Administration Centre
Market St
Monaghan
Co Monaghan



30th August 2017

Re: St Bricin's College, Co Cavan – Roll No. 70350W Additional Accommodation Scheme 2013

Dear John

I refer to the Stage 1 documentation submitted in respect of the project approved under the Additional Accommodation Scheme 2013.

The current grant approval for the school stands at €1,755,665.25. It is noted that the proposed project cost has escalated to €3,388.008.72 including VAT but excluding fees. This questions the viability of the project in the context of available funding and the number of projects being delivered under the Department's overall Construction Programme. It is also noted that the current proposal has expanded the brief area by 142m2, has included refurbishments and additional works to the existing building which are beyond the scope of works approved by the Department.

To address this situation, you are instructed to reduce the scope of the project in line with the level of accommodation approved and available funding and to submit revised plans and project costs to the Department for consideration.

There are many competing demands on this Department's capital resources and in this context it must prioritise applications for the provision of much needed additional mainstream classroom accommodation. It is essential that costs are kept under control in the construction of school buildings and that those responsible ensure that value for money is achieved for the taxpayer. In this way, we can ensure completion of the maximum number of projects from within the funds available for the school building programme.

I regret the news is not more favourable on this occasion.

Yours sincerely,

Noel Coonan Devolved Projects



Bord Oideachais agus Oiliúna an Chabháin agus Mhuineacháin

Cavan and Monaghan Education and Training Board



Additional Accommodation Unit
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27 October 2017

Mr Noel Coonan
Devolved Schemes
School Building Unit
Department of Education & Skills
Portlaoise Road
Tullamore
Co. Offaly
R35 Y2N5

Re: St Bricin's College, Roll No. 70350W, Additional Accommodation Scheme Revised Stage 1 Submission

Dear Noel,

I refer to your letter and can confirm the ETB following receipt of this have met with the Design Team to further review the initial proposed design and the scope of necessary works at the school. Following completion of this exercise we now submit a Revised Stage 1 Report and plans and QS report for St Bricin's College Additional Accommodation as requested.

We understand you will forward to the Technical Staff for consideration and revert with dates for the Stage 1 meeting.

Yours sincerely

JOHN KEARNEY

CHIEF EXECUTIVE

Encs: (1) Keys and Monaghan Architect Report

(2) McGahon Surveyors QS Report

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From:

OMeara, Edel

Sent

12 September 2018 17:40

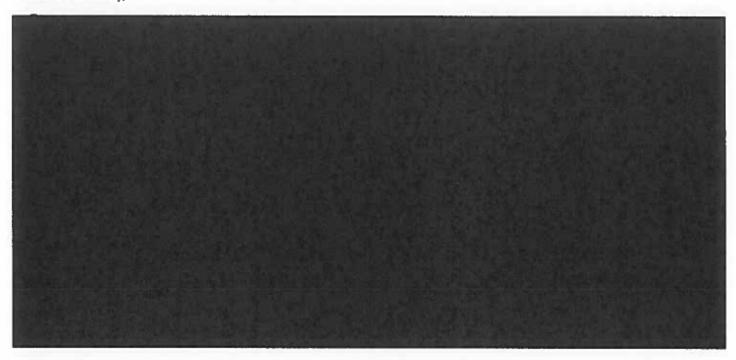
To:

'info@cmetb.ie'

Subject:

Ballybay Community School - Roll No 72170H &

Dear Mr Kearney,



There are also two other projects which I would appreciate if you could provide further clarification on:

#### St Bricin Callege, Roll No 70350W - Grant approved €1.74m

This project was original approved in 2013 with a grant of £994K. There was a number of changes to the basis building costs and general class sizes and this grant was increased to £1.74m and a revised schedule of accommodation approved. The rental of 2 prefabs for St Bricin's college was approved while this major project was ongoing. A stage 1 meeting was arranged to take place in December 2017 in the department which was cancelled at the ETB's request. You explained at the time that rather than proceeding with this project as a standalone building you wished to examine the overall ETB post primary provision in Belturbet, namely St. Mogue's. The department is keen to progress this project and are requesting that we rearrange this meeting as soon as possible. Please indicate a time and date that you are available and I will try to organise with our Profession and Admin teams.



I would be grateful if you could attend to this request as soon as possible. If you wish to discuss any of the above matters I am available at the phone number below.

Your sincerely, Edel O'Meara Higher Executive Officer School Capital Appraisal

#### Meaney, Mary

From: Sent: John Kearney < JohnKearney@cmetb.ie > Wednesday 26 September 2018 14:42

To:

OMeara, Edel

Cc:

Cusack, Eamonn; Hynes, Jackie; Horan, Mary Re: Meeting with CMETB and Education and Skills

Subject: Attachments:

Inver\_College\_Project.zip; Ballybay\_Additional\_Accommodation.zip;

West\_Cavan\_Project.zip

**Categories:** 

Finished items

Thanks Edel,

Looking forward to the meeting, and enclosing documentation in advance of the meeting pertaining to:



West Cavan Project - Amalgamation Feasibility Report of St Bricin's Belturbet

Regards,

John

John Kearney, Chief Executive, Cavan and Monaghan Education and Training Board, Market Street, Monaghan.

Tel 047 30888

From: OMeara, Edel <Edel\_OMeara@education.gov.ie>

Sent: Wednesday 26 September 2018 09:26

To: John Kearney

Cc: Cusack, Eamonn; Hynes, Jackie; Horan, Mary Subject: Meeting with CMETB and Education and Skills

John

I can confirm as discussed that a meeting has been agreed for Monday 08<sup>th</sup> October 2018 at 11.30am in the Education and Skills offices, Tullamore, Conference Room 2.

Many thanks

Edel

#### Planning and Building Unit, Department of Education and Skills

#### Feasibility Cost Plan **Summary Sheet**

**Roll Number:** 

70650W

St. Bricin's College

Job Number:

14404 Post Primary Railway Road, Belturbet

Level: Cost Plan Date: 14/09/2018

**Client:** 

Cavan and Monaghan Education and Training Board

Intended Form of Government Contract:

PW-CF1

Co. Cavan

Project Details The construction of a two storey extension (GIFA 1,089m2), together with Standalone PE Facility, upgrade works to Existing School and all Associated Site Works

Client: Cavan and Monaghan Education and Training Board

**Total** 

Architect: TBC

Civil/Structural Engineer TBC

M&E Engineer TBC Quantity Surveyor: TBC **PSDP: TBC** 

New Build Areas/ Ratios

**Nr of Storeys** 

2

Split Level/ Basement

N/A

Floor Area

1089 m<sup>2</sup>

**External Wall Area** 

% Glazing to Enclosing

TBC m<sup>2</sup>

(Excluding PE & Ancillary)

Wall/ Floor Ratio

TBC

PE Hall & PE Ancillary Area

(complete for PE Halls in second

1048 m<sup>2</sup>

TBC %

level schools only. Do Not Complete for

primary school GP areas

2137 m<sup>2</sup> **Roof Area** 

Wall

TBC m2

**Maximum Cost Limit** 

€1,280 per m2

[insert published cost limit at the date of this cost plan.]

#### **COST SUMMARY**

Areas	and	Costs	finel	VATI

New Build	€	€/m²	%
Gross Floor Area (incl. PE, PE Ancillary, Stairs where applicable)		2137 m <sup>2</sup>	
Basic Building Cost (BBC)	2,735,360,00	1,280,00	
PE Hall 30% Allowance on BBC	402.432.00	188.32	
External Works Allowance (EWA)	273.536.00	128.00	10.00
Fixed Furniture & Fittings	170,960.00	80.00	
New Build Total	€3,582,288.00	€1,676,32	
Work to Existing Buildings	€	€/m²	
Applicable Gross floor Area	See below		
Work To Existing (New SEN Suite; 190m2)	202,940.00	1,068.11	OLOUES E
Work To Existing (Toilet Blocks, Store, Boiler & Comms; 86m2)	92,194.00	1,072,02	
Work To Existing (Entrance Lobby & Reception)	76,445.00	888.90	in and
Work To Existing (Canteen Area; 156m2)	108,050.00	692.63	
Work To Existing (M&E Upgrades Generally, 1459m2)	481,690.03	330.15	
Work To Existing (Fire-Upgrade - Generally; 1459m2 - Provisional)	546,468.45	374.55	KIR KEK
Fixed Furniture & Fittings (Replace all)	116,720.00	80.00	
Work To Existing Total	€1,624,507.48	€1,113.44	86.99%
Total - New Build	3.582.288.00		
Total - Work To Existing	1,624,507,48		
Total - Abnormal Costs (say 30% of BBC - Works to Existing EWA)	D 5-		
	820,608.00	Account southerns	30.00 €/m2 based on
FEASIBILITY COST PLAN	€6,027,403.48	€1,676.14	total floor area

Signed (Quantity Surveyor):

Dated: 14,09,2018



#### **ESTATE AGENTS & PROPERTY ADVISORS**

Mr George Gilliland Land & Buildings Manager "Cayan Mundian Capacity Cavan Co Cavan

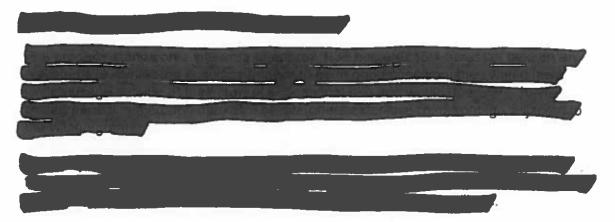
24th September 2018

Re:

Site at St Bricins College, Belturbet, Co Cavan

Dear George

Further to your instructions to pro the iminative control of the c open market capital value of the above properties, we report as follows:



#### B. St Bricins College, Belturbet, Co Cavan

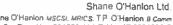
St Bricins College is situated in the town centre of Belturbet, adjacent to the Main Street. The property stands on a site area of approx 0.6 hectares (1.5 acres). There is dual frontage to Railway road and Fairgreen.

The buildings, which appear to be in good condition, are a combination of two storey and single storey configuration.

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E: info@ohanlonproperty.ie W: www.ohanlonproperty.ie







Belturbet is a town situated approx 18km from Cavan with a good range of shops and community facilities, however, employment in the area is limited.

The property would have limited usage outside of its current educational use, thereby limiting its appeal on the open market.



#### General

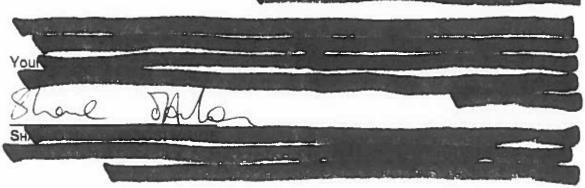
We wish to point out that we did not inspect any of the buildings at either site, so we are not familiar with their internal layout or their ability to adapt easily for other uses.

In our opinion, if one control of the angle of the angle of the order of:

A.

B. St Bricins College, Belturbet, Co Cavan €300,000.00

I trust the foregoing is in order, however, if you require any further assistance please feel free to contact me.



#### Meaney, Mary

From:

Lynam, Val

Sent:

Thursday 18 October 2018 09:15

To:

Power, Berni (CMETB)

Subject:

Visits to Monaghan & Cavan Post-Primary Schools required

#### PLEASE QUOTE ROLL NUMBER ON ALL CORRESPONDANCE

Good morning Berni,

Further to our meeting on the 8th, could you forward the following documents for the schools below that are scheduled for a technical site visit:

- Technical Floor plans of the schools (to scale). Margaret has asked that they are of the specification that the Department would issue with correct titles and format.
- Site map with boundary shown in red.
- In the case of Ballybay, the proposal/drawings prepared for the incorporation of 2 no mainstream classrooms under the proposed new science lab.



St Bricin's Vocational School, Co Monaghan - RN 70350W

Either Daniel McFadden or Dermot McCormack will be in contact with you shortly to arrange suitable dates.

If you require any further details, give me a call.

Regards,

Val

Ms Val Lynam | School's Capital Appraisal Section | ASA's & Status Changes

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Tel: (057) 932 4435



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An Roinn Oideachais agus Scileanna Department of Education and Skills