



**Comhairle Contae
Dhún na nGall
Donegal County Council**

**PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT
ACT 2000 (as amended) PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT
REGULATIONS 2001 (as amended) ARTICLE 81**

**Nature and Extent of proposed development in accordance with
Part 8 requirements of the above Regulations. (Available for public
inspection)**

**Habitat Restoration and Sustainable
Access at Errigal Mountain,
County Donegal**

February 2019

Donegal County Council
Community Development &
Planning Services
Station Island
Lifford
Co. Donegal

1.0 Introduction

Donegal County Council is leading the ASCENT Project (Apply Skills and Conserve our Environment with New Tools) which is funded under the Northern Periphery and Arctic Programme (NPA) 2014-2020 under INTERREG VB and the European Regional Development Fund, under Programme Axis 4 which seeks to increase the capacity of remote and sparsely populated communities for environmental management.

ASCENT brings together local and environmental authorities to collectively address the environmental challenges in seven Northern European upland sites, all of which face challenges associated with increased visitor numbers and unregulated access.

Donegal County Council as lead partner is working collaboratively with the Errigal Stakeholders Group, the local community and project partners in Iceland, Finland, Northern Ireland and Norway, in delivering the project objectives and a range of outputs from September 2016 to August 2019.

Errigal Mountain in Co Donegal in the north west of County Donegal is one of seven ASCENT upland sites. The mountain is experiencing erosion associated with increased recreational activity.

The report describes the proposed works and it sets out the principle features of the proposed project as required by the Local Government PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT ACT 2000 (as amended) PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS 2001 (as amended)

2.0 Nature of the Works

Donegal County Council proposes to carry out habitat restoration and sustainable access on Errigal Mountain.

Project works will include:

- (i) Habitat restoration on the south and southwestern sides of Errigal Mountain.
- (ii) Sustainable access works to include aggregate and stone pitched paths, boardwalk (approx 25 metres using recycled material), light touch remediation and restoration of upper level access, path drainage consisting of turved drains, cross drains and water bars, fencing for managing access.
- (iii) Improvements to existing car park and signage at access point.

3.0 Extent of Works

The proposed site is located within the Derryveagh Mountain range, along a section of the R251 regional road, in the townlands of Dunlewy Near, Beltany Mountain, Procklis and Money More in the Glenties Municipal District of County Donegal, on the south and southwestern sides of Errigal Mountain, within an area of approx 300 hectares.

The overall extent of the works is shown on drawing No. 2 Ascent Project/Errigal/Part8/002

4.0 Appendices

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Appendix A

Planning Notice

**CHOMHARLE CONTAE DHÚN NA NGALL
DONEGAL COUNTY COUNCIL**

**PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT ACT 2000 (as amended)
PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS 2001 (as amended)
ARTICLE 81**

**NOTICE PURSUANT TO ARTICLE 81, PART 8 OF THE ABOVE REGULATIONS,
RELATING TO A PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT BY DONEGAL COUNTY
COUNCIL**

TAKE NOTICE that Donegal County Council proposes to carry out Habitat Restoration and Sustainable Access on Errigal Mountain in the townlands of Dunlewy Near, Beltany Mountain, Procklis and Money More located in the Glenties Municipal District as scheduled below.

SCHEDULE OF PROPOSED PROJECT

No.	Title	Townlands	Local Authority Offices For Viewing Plans
1	Habitat Restoration and Sustainable Access on Errigal Mountain	Dunlewy Near, Beltany Mountain, Procklis and Money More	The Planning Department, County House, The Diamond, Lifford, F93 Y622 Public Services Centre, Gweedore Road, Dungloe, Co. Donegal, F94 H4CF Public Services Centre, Neil T. Blaney Road, Letterkenny, Co. Donegal, F92 TNY3
Description and Extents			
Donegal County Council proposes to carry out habitat restoration and sustainable access on Errigal Mountain in the townlands of Dunlewy Near, Beltany Mountain, Procklis and Money More in the Glenties Municipal District. Project works will include habitat restoration on the south and southwestern sides of Errigal Mountain. Sustainable access works to include aggregate and stone pitched paths, boardwalk (approx 25 metres using recycled material), light touch remediation and restoration of upper level access, path drainage consisting of turved drains, cross drains and water bars, fencing for managing access. Improvements to existing car park and signage at access point.			

The plans and particulars of the Habitat Restoration and Sustainable Access Project will be available for inspection or purchase at a fee not exceeding the reasonable cost of making a copy, at the offices of Donegal County Council as listed for the specified project in the above schedule. Plans may be inspected between the hours of 9:00am – 12.30pm and 1.00pm – 5.00pm from Monday to Thursday and from 9:00am – 12.30pm and 1.00pm – 4.30p.m on Fridays. The proposed plans will be available for inspection from Friday 1st February 2019 – Friday 1st March 2019.

Submissions and observations with respect to the proposed development, dealing with the proper planning and development of the area in which the development is situated may be made in writing to The Co. Secretariat, Donegal County Council, Lifford, County Donegal, before 5.00pm on Tuesday 19th March 2019.

Please mark the front of the envelope with the project name as per the above schedule.

**Signed: Liam Ward, Director of Service
Community & Planning Services, Donegal County Council, County House, Lifford.**

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COMHAIRLE CONTAE DHÚN NA NGALL

AN tACHT PLEANÁLA AGUS FORBARTHA 2000 (arna leasú) NA RIALACHÁIN PHLEANÁLA AGUS FORBARTHA 2001 (arna leasú) ALT 81

FÓGRA DE BHUN ALT 81, CUID 8 DE NA RIALACHÁIN THUAS, MAIDIR LE FORBAIRT ATÁ BEARTAITHE AG COMHAIRLE CONTAE DHÚN NA NGALL

TABHAIR FAOI DEARA go bhfuil sé beartaithe ag Comhairle Contae Dhún na nGall Athchóiriú Gnáthóige agus Rochtain Inbhuanaithe a dhéanamh ar an Earagail i mbailte fearainn Dhún Lúiche Uachtarach, Sliabh na Bealtaine, Prochlais agus Muine Mór i gCeantar Bardais na nGleanntach, mar atá sceidealaithe thíos.

SCEIDEAL AN TIONSCADAIL ATÁ BEARTAITHE

Uimh.	Teideal	Bailte Fearainn	Oifigí Údaráis Áitiúil inar féidir Pleananna a Scrúdú
1	Athchóiriú Gnáthóige agus Rochtain Inbhuanaithe ar an Earagail	Dún Lúiche Uachtarach, Sliabh na Bealtaine, Prochlais agus Muine Mór	An Rannóg Pleanála, Teach an Chontae, An Chearnóg, Leifear, F93 Y622 Ionad Seirbhísí Poiblí, Bóthar Ghaoth Dobhair, An Clochán Liath, Co. Dhún na nGall, F94 H4CF Ionad Seirbhísí Poiblí, Bóthar Niall T Bléine, Leitir Ceanainn, Co. Dhún na nGall, F92 TNY3

Cur Síos agus Méideanna

Tá sé beartaithe ag Comhairle Contae Dhún na nGall athchóiriú gnáthóige agus rochtain inbhuanaithe a dhéanamh ar an Earagail i mbailte fearainn Dhún Lúiche Uachtarach, Sliabh na Bealtaine, Prochlais agus Muine Mór i gCeantar Bardais na nGleanntach. Mar chuid de na hoibreacha ar an tionscadal déanfar athchóiriú gnáthóige ar an taobh ó dheas agus ar an taobh thiar theas den Earagail. Mar chuid de na hoibreacha i dtaca le rochtain inbhuanaithe, beidh cosáin chóirithe déanta de chlocha agus de chlocha brúite, clárchosán (thart ar 25 méadar déanta d'ábhar athchúrsáilte), athchóiriú éadrom le haghaidh rochtain in áiteanna níos airde, draenáil chosáin déanta le draenacha turváiite, crosdraenacha agus barraí uisce, agus sconsaí le rochtain a bhainistiú. Feabhsúcháin ar an charrchlós atá ann cheana féin agus comharthaíocht ag an bhealach isteach.

Beidh pleananna agus sonraíochtaí an Tionscadail um Athchóiriú Gnáthóige agus Rochtain Inbhuanaithe ar fáil le scrúdú nó le ceannach - ar chostas nach mó ná an costas réasúnta a bheadh ar chóip de a dhéanamh - in Oifigí de chuid Chomhairle Contae Dhún na nGall, mar atá liostaithe don tionscadal ar leith sa sceideal thuas. Is féidir pleananna a scrúdú idir 9.00am - 12.30pm agus 1.00pm - 5.00pm ón Luan go dtí an Déardaoin agus ó 9.00am - 12.30pm agus 1.00pm - 4.30pm Dé hAoine. Beidh na pleananna beartaithe ar fáil le scrúdú ón Aoine 1 Feabhra 2019 go dtí an Aoine 1 Márta 2019.

Is féidir aighneachtaí agus breathnúcháin i dtaca leis an fhorbairt bheartaithe, ag plé le pleanáil cheart agus forbairt chúil an cheantair ina bhfuil an fhorbairt suite, a dhéanamh i scríbhinn chuig An Oifig Rúnaíochta, Comhairle Contae Dhún na nGall, Leifear, Contae Dhún na nGall, roimh 5.00pm Dé Máirt 19 Márta 2019.

Marcáil tosach an chlúdaigh, le do thoil, le hainm an tionscadail de réir an sceidil thuas.

**Sínithe: Liam Mac an Bhaird, Stiúrthóir Seirbhíse
Seirbhísí Pobail agus Pleanála, Comhairle Contae Dhún na nGall, Teach an Chontae,
Leifear.**

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Appendix B

APPROPRIATE ASSESSMENT SCREENING REPORT & REPAIR AND HABITAT RESTORATION FOR SUSTAINABLE ACCESS ON ERRIGAL MOUNTAIN, CO DONEGAL

Appendix C

ERRIGAL PATH REPORT

Appendix D

DRAWINGS / MAPS

List of Drawings

No.	Drawing Number	Title
1	Ascent Project/Errigal/Part8/001	Site Location
2	Ascent Project/Errigal/Part8/002	Site Extents Path Route & Sections Habitat Restoration Extents Locations of stone suitable for pitched path
3	Ascent Project/Errigal/Part8/003	Path Extents
4	Ascent Project/Errigal/Part8/003a	Path Extents – Chainage 0m-300m
5	Ascent Project/Errigal/Part8/003b	Path Extents – Chainage 300m-600m
6	Ascent Project/Errigal/Part8/003c	Path Extents – Chainage 600m-900m
7	Ascent Project/Errigal/Part8/003d	Path Extents – Chainage 900m-1200m
8	Ascent Project/Errigal/Part8/003e	Path Extents – Chainage 1200m-1500m
9	Ascent Project/Errigal/Part8/003f	Path Extents – Chainage 1500m-1800m
10	Ascent Project/Errigal/Part8/003g	Path Extents – Chainage 1800m-2100m
11	Ascent Project/Errigal/Part8/003h	Path Extents – Chainage 2100m-2400m
12	Ascent Project/Errigal/Part8/003i	Path Extents – Chainage 2400m-2700m
13	Ascent Project/Errigal/Part8/003j	Path Extents – Chainage 2700m-2870m
14	Ascent Project/Errigal/Part8/004	Car Park Improvements
15	Ascent Project/Errigal/Part8/005	Boardwalk locations and construction detail

