



Section 5 Declaration - Application Form

Declaration as to whether development constitutes Exempted Development

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1. Name and address of person seeking the declaration:

MICHAEL LAVELLE ESTATE AGENTS &
VALUERS

Phone Number: 042 9322482 E-Mail: info@lavelles.ie

2. Name and address of agent (if any):

n/a.

Phone Number: _____ E-Mail: _____

3. Name and address for all correspondence (if not completed, correspondence will be sent to person seeking declaration)

83-85 BRIDGE STREET, DUNDALK
Co. DUBLIN A91 Y682.

4. Interest in site of the person seeking declaration:

OWNER.

(If applicant is not freehold owner of the property in question, please provide name and address of owner if known)

5. Location and full address of development referred to in Question 7

83-85 BRIDGE STREET DUNDALK CO. DUBLIN.

6. Eircode OR Grid Co-ordinates must be submitted. Grid references may be found on Google Maps or at <https://irish.gridreferencefinder.com>

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7. Question for determination under Section 5 (See Note 1 above).

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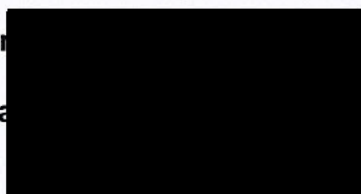
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8. Does the development consist of works to be carried out to an existing or proposed protected structure? Yes ☐ No ☒

If Yes, has a Declaration under Section 57 of the Planning and Development Act 2000 been requested or issued for the property by the Planning Authority?

I certify that the above

Signature of Applicant



Date

11/7/26

Please include one copy of the following documents with this application form:

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Existing & Proposed, where applicable

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(€80)

*pd via cash office
Ref no. attached*

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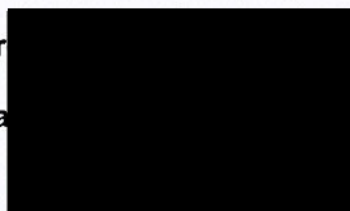
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Louth County Council Section 5 Declaration

Planning Ref: 2026/51

Applicant's Name: Michael Lavelle Estate Agents and Valuers

Type of Application: Section 5 Declaration

Development: Installation of Solar Panels

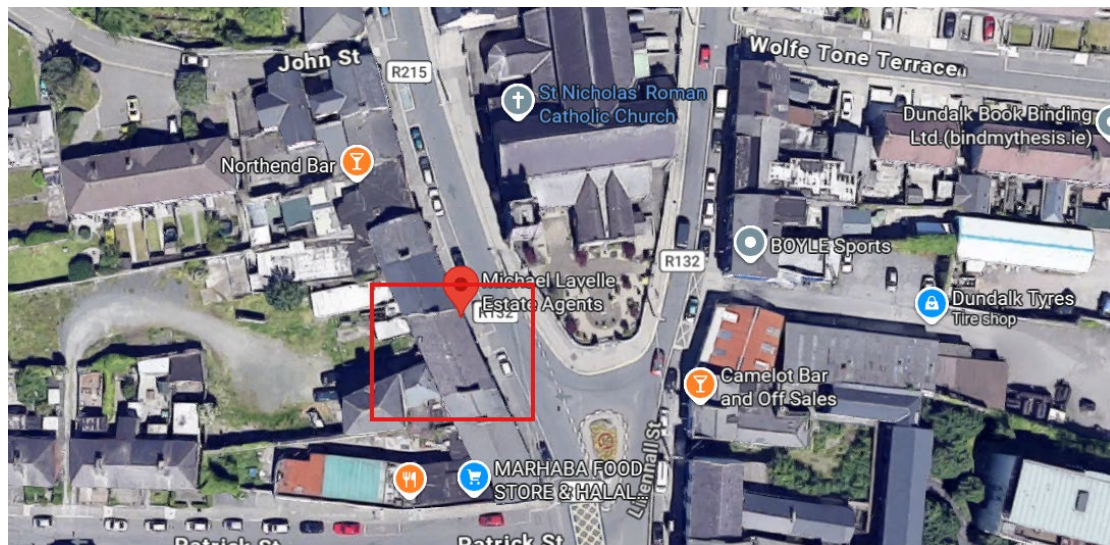
Site Location: 83-85 Bridge Street, Dundalk, Co. Louth

Date: 26th August 2026

Due Date: 2nd September 2026

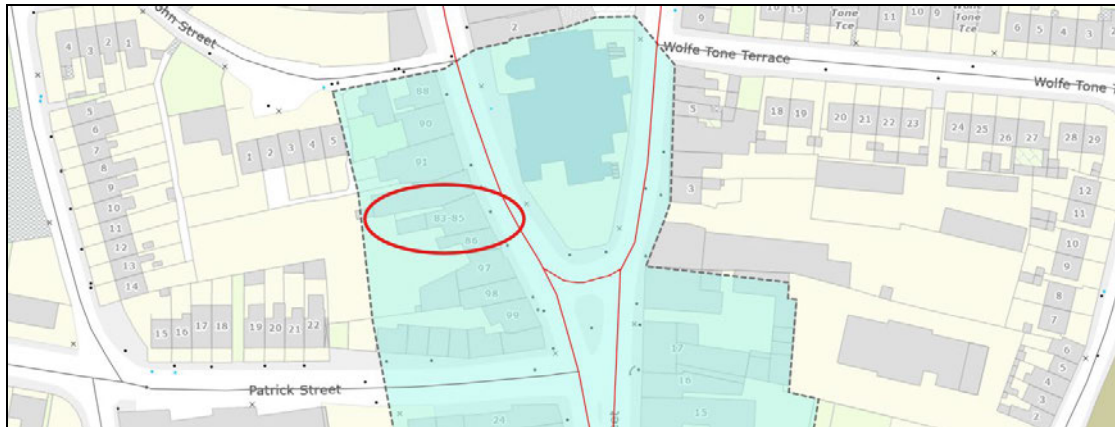
1.0 SITE LOCATION & DESCRIPTION:

The subject building Michael Lavelle is located on the western side of Bridge Street within Architectural Conservation Area (ACA) 22 "Clanbrassil Street" on the northern side of Dundalk.



Building Location





Location within ACA No. 22 – Clanbrassil Street

2.0 Planning History

There is no planning history pertaining to this pre-1963 premises.

3.0 QUESTION FOR DETERMINATION:

The applicant has confirmed within Question 7 of the application form that the question for determination relates to the installation of solar panels on the front roof and rear roof. The supplementary detail submitted shows the proposed location of the panels on the front and rear roof profile. Each roof area will have 12 panels of 1.99sqm each giving an area of approximately 24sqm on each roof profile. The panels will be placed such that they are 50cm from the edge of the roof. The distance between the plane of the roof and the solar panels will be no more than 15cm.

4.0 EIA Screening and Determination

Based on information provided and having considered the nature, size and location of the development, there is no real likelihood of significant effects on the environment and as such as EIAR is not required.

5.0 Appropriate Assessment

No screening report has been provided with this application for Section 5 determination. However having regard to nature and scale of the proposed works, it is not considered that the development would be likely to have a significant effect individually or in combination with other plans or projects on a European site (Special Area of Conservation or Special Protected Area) and as such an Appropriate Assessment (Stage 2 AA) is not required.

6.0 LEGISLATIVE CONTEXT:

S.I. No. 662/2024 - The Planning and Development Act 2024 (Commencement) Order 2024

The Planning and Development Act 2024 (Commencement) Order 2024 states:

"The 2nd day of December 2024 is appointed as the day on which the following provisions of the Planning and Development Act 2024 (No. 34 of 2024) shall come into operation:

- (a) Sections 1 to 5;*
- (b) Part 26*

The Planning and Development Act 2024

Section 2 states that:

“Development” means the carrying out of works on, in, over or under land, or on, in, over or under the maritime area, or the making of a material change in the use of land or any structure on land, or the sea, seabed or any structure, in the maritime area, and includes the reclamation of land in the nearshore area;

“Exempted development” means development of a class prescribed under section 9, or development that is exempted development by virtue of section 152;

“Protected structure” means a structure, or part of a structure, specified in a record of protected structures, and includes the interior of the structure, the land lying within the curtilage of the structure, any other structure, and their interiors, lying within that curtilage, and any feature of the structure that is within the attendant grounds of the structure, and is specified in a record of protected structures;

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

“Unauthorised development” means, in relation to land or a maritime site—

- (a) “Unauthorised works” (including the construction, erection or assembly or an unauthorised structure), or
- (b) An unauthorised use;

“Unauthorised use” means, in relation to land or a maritime site, a use that is a material change in use of the land or maritime site, other than—

- (a) exempted development, or
- (b) development carried out in accordance with—
 - (i) a permission granted under Part IV of the Act of 1963 or deemed to be so granted under section 92 of that Act,
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 - (iv) a permission granted under *Part 4*,
- (c) *Chapter 6* State authority development within the meaning of *Part 4*,
- (d) development required by—
 - (i) a notice under *section 339*,
 - (ii) an order under *section 341*,
 - (iii) an enforcement notice under *section 350*, or
 - (iv) a planning injunction under *section 351*,
- or
- (e) development carried out in accordance with—
 - (i) a licence under *section 13*, or
 - (ii) a licence under section 254 of the Act of 2000;

“Unauthorised works” means any works on, in, over or under land or a maritime site, other than—

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“Works” includes an act or operation—

- (a) of construction, excavation, demolition, extension, alteration, repair or renewal (including in relation to a protected structure, a proposed protected structure or a structure situated in an architectural conservation area), on, in, over or under land or a maritime site,
- (b) consisting of the application of plaster, paint, wallpaper, tiles or other material to the surface of a protected structure or proposed protected structure or the removal of plaster, paint, wallpaper, tiles or other material from such surface, and
- (c) consisting of the application of plaster, paint, wallpaper, tiles or other material to the exterior of a structure situated in an architectural conservation area or the removal of plaster, paint, wallpaper, tiles or other material from such exterior.

The Planning and Development Act, 2000 (as amended)

Section 4 states that:

Section 4(1) provides a list of statutory exempted development.

Section 4(2) provides for the making of regulations relating to exempted development. The Planning & Development Regulations (PDR) 2001 (as amended) give effect to Section 4(2).

Section 5 states that:

- (1) If any question arises as to what, in any particular case, is or is not development or is or is not exempted development within the meaning of this

Act, any person may, on payment of the prescribed fee, request in writing from the relevant planning authority a declaration on that question, and that person shall provide to the planning authority any information necessary to enable the authority to make its decision on the matter.

- (2) (a) Subject to *paragraph (b)*, a planning authority shall issue the declaration on the question that has arisen and the main reasons and considerations on which its decision is based to the person who made the request under *subsection (1)*, and, where appropriate, the owner and occupier of the land in question, within 4 weeks of the receipt of the request.

(b) A planning authority may require any person who made a request under *subsection (1)* to submit further information with regard to the request in order to enable the authority to issue the declaration on the question and, where further information is received under this paragraph, the planning authority shall issue the declaration within 3 weeks of the date of the receipt of the further information.

(c) A planning authority may also request persons in addition to those referred to in *paragraph (b)* to submit information in order to enable the authority to issue the declaration on the question.

Section 32 states that:

Section 32 sets out a general obligation to obtain planning permission in respect of any development of land, not being exempted development, and in the case of development, which is unauthorised, for the retention of that unauthorised development.

Section 177U (9) states that:

In deciding upon a declaration for the purposes of Section 5 of this Act a planning authority or the Board, as the case maybe, shall where appropriate, conduct a screening for appropriate assessment in accordance with the provisions of this Section.

The Planning and Development Regulations, 2001 (as amended)

Article 6:

Article 6 of the Planning & Development Regulations, 2001 (as amended) provides (subject to the restrictions in article 9 PDR 2001) for the classes of exempted development under column 1 of Parts 1, 2 and 3 of Schedule 2, subject, where applicable, to the conditions and limitations imposed upon such classes as set out in column 2.

Article 9:

Article 9(1) of the Planning & Development Regulations, 2001 (as amended) provides restrictions on exemptions with those relevant to this assessment, outlined below and review comments added in italics below.

9. (1) Development to which article 6 relates shall not be exempted development for the purposes of the Act—

(a) if the carrying out of such development would:

(i) contravene a condition attached to a permission under the Act or be inconsistent with any use specified in a permission under the Act,

(ii) consist of or comprise the formation, laying out or material widening of a means of access to a public road the surfaced carriageway of which exceeds 4 metres in width,

(iii) endanger public safety by reason of traffic hazard or obstruction of road users,

(viiA) consist of or comprise the excavation, alteration or demolition (other than peat extraction) of places, caves, sites, features or 13 other objects of archaeological, geological, historical, scientific or ecological interest, the preservation of which is an objective of a development plan for the area in which the development is proposed or, pending the variation of a development plan or the making of a new development plan, in the draft variation of the development plan or the draft development plan, save any excavation, pursuant to and in accordance with a licence granted under section 26 of the National Monuments Act, 1930 (No. 2 of 1930), as amended.

(viii) consist of or comprise the extension, alteration, repair or renewal of an unauthorised structure or a structure the use of which is an unauthorised use,

(xii) further to the provisions of section 82 of the Act, consist of or comprise the carrying out of works to the exterior of a structure, where the structure concerned is located within an architectural conservation area or an area specified as an architectural conservation area in a development plan for the area or, pending the variation of a development plan or the making of a new development plan, in the draft variation of the development plan or the draft development plan and the development would materially affect the character of the area.

Schedule 2 Part 1 (Exempted Development – General) Planning and Development Regulations 2001 (as amended).

Class 56(e).

The placing or erection on a roof of a business premises or light industrial building, or within the curtilage of a business premises or light industrial building, or on a roof of any ancillary buildings within the curtilage of a business premises or light industrial building of a solar photo-voltaic and/or solar thermal collector installation.

The conditions and limitations are as follows;

1. Where such development is located within a solar safeguarding zone, the total aperture area of any solar photovoltaic and/or solar thermal collector panels, taken together with any other such panels previously placed on a roof, shall not exceed 300 square metres.
2. Where such development is located within a solar safeguarding zone, the planning authority for the area shall be notified in writing no later than 4 weeks after the commencement of such development and such notification shall include details regarding the location and scale of the development.
3. The distance between the plane of the roof and the solar photo-voltaic or solar thermal collector panels shall not exceed:
 - a. For a business premises, 1.2 metres in the case of a flat roof or 15cm in any other case.
 - b. For a light industrial building, 2 metres in the case of a flat roof or 50cm in any other case.
4. The solar photo-voltaic or solar thermal collector panels shall be a minimum of 2 metres in the case of a flat roof or 50cm in any other case from the edge of the roof on which it is mounted.
5. Development shall not be exempted development where the highest part of the solar photo-voltaic or solar thermal collector installation exceeds the highest part of any roof that is not a flat roof (excluding any chimney).
6. Any ancillary equipment associated with solar photo-voltaic or solar thermal collector panels shall not be placed or erected on a wall or any roof that is not a flat roof.
7. The height of any ancillary equipment associated with solar photo-voltaic or solar thermal collector panels on a flat roof shall not exceed 1.6 metres above roof level.
8. Any ancillary equipment associated with solar photo-voltaic or solar thermal collector panels on a flat roof shall be a minimum of 2 metres from the edge of the roof on which it is mounted.
9. Any free-standing solar photo-voltaic or solar thermal collector installation shall not be placed or erected forward of the front wall of the business premises or light industrial building.
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11. The height of any free-standing solar photo-voltaic or solar thermal collector installation shall not exceed 2.5 metres at its highest point above ground level.
12. The placing or erection of a solar photo-voltaic or solar thermal collector installation on any wall shall not be exempted development.

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

14. No sign, advertisement or object not required for the functioning or safety of the solar photo-voltaic or solar thermal collector installation shall be attached to or exhibited on such installation.

15. Development under this Class shall only be exempted development where the solar photo-voltaic or solar thermal collector installation is primarily used for the provision of electricity or heating for use within the curtilage of the business premises or light industrial building, and shall not be considered a change of use for the purposes of the Act.

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

7.0 ASSESSMENT

Does the proposal constitute development?

In having regard to the definition of 'development' in the Planning and Development Act, 2024 as being *"the carrying out of works on, in, over or under lands or the making of any material change in the use of any structures or other land."*

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The proposed installation of solar panels is deemed to comprise of alterations, therefore **constituting 'development.'**

Does the proposal constitute exempted development?

I have reviewed the proposals against each of the conditions and limitations set above under Class 56(e) and based on the plans submitted, I consider that the proposal for 24 no. solar panels on the roof of the Michael Lavelle commercial building at 83-85 Bridge Street constitutes exempted development Under Part 1 Schedule 2 Class 56(e) (Exempted Development – General) of the Planning and Development Regulations 2001 (as amended).

It is noted that the building is located within the Architectural Conservation Area No.22 as designated by the Louth County Development Plan 2021-2027. However, I consider that the proposed solar panels on the front roof apex will not be visually

incongruous within the general streetscape of Bridge Street and would not therefore affect the character of Architectural Conservation Area No.22. Those panels proposed to the rear apex will not be visible within the ACA and as such I am satisfied that those panels will not affect the character of ACA No.22.

8.0 RECOMMENDATION

I hereby recommend that a Declaration of Exemption be GRANTED for the development described above, for the reason(s) set out hereunder.

WHEREAS the question has arisen pursuant to Section 5 of the Planning and Development Act 2000 (as amended) whether the erection of solar panels on the roof of the Michael Lavelle Estate Agents and Valuers commercial building at 83-85 Bridge Street, Dundalk, Co. Louth is development and is or is not exempted development.

AND WHEREAS the said question was referred to Louth County Council by the applicant, Michael Lavelle Estate Agents and

AND WHEREAS Louth County Council, in considering this reference, had particular regard to:

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AND WHEREAS Louth County Council has concluded based on the information that was submitted that;

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NOW THEREFORE Louth County Council in exercise of the powers conferred on it by Section 5(2)(a) of the Planning and Development Act 2000 (as amended), hereby decides that the proposal **is development and is exempted development.**



David Hall
A/Senior Executive Planner
Date: 26/08/2026



Turlough King
A/Senior Planner
Date: 26/08/2026

LOUTH COUNTY COUNCIL

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S ORDER

PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT ACT 2000 (as amended)

Section 5 Exempted Development

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Reference No:	S5 2026/51
Date Application Received:	01/07/2026
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Name of Applicant:	Michael Lavelle Estate Agents & Valuers
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NOW THEREFORE Louth County Council in exercise of the powers conferred on it by Section 5(2)(a) of the Planning and Development Act 2000 (as amended), hereby decides that the proposal **is development and is exempted development.**

ORDER: In pursuance of the powers conferred upon the Council by the above Act, I concur with the above recommendation and I hereby direct that a **Declaration of Exemption be GRANTED** for the development as described above.



Signed: _____
Turlough King
Acting Senior Planner

Date: 27/08/2026

To whom this function has been delegated in accordance with the provisions of Section 154 of the Local Government Act, 2001 by Order No. CE.S 380/26 dated 31st day of July 2026.



Comhairle Contae Lú
Louth County Council

Michael Lavelle Estate Agents & Valuers
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Date : 27/08/2026

Re: Ref. S5 2026/51

Application for Declaration of "Exempted Development" Part 1, Section 5 Planning & Development Act, 2000 (as amended) as to 'Whether the installation of solar panels, is or is not development and is or is not exempt development.

Dear Sir/Madam,

I wish to acknowledge receipt of your application received on 1st July 2026 in relation to the above. Having assessed all information and enclosures received with the application, the Planning Authority wishes to advise as follows: -

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- (c) Part 2, Exempt Development, Article 9 of the Planning and Development Regulations 2001 (as amended)
- (d) Schedule 2, Part 1, Class 56(e) of the Planning and Development Regulations 2001 (as amended),
- (e) The planning history of the subject site,

AND WHEREAS Louth County Council has concluded based on the information that was submitted that;

- (a) the proposed installation of 24no. solar panels on the roof of the Michael Lavelle Estate Agents and Valuers commercial building (12no. on the front roof profile and 12no. of the rear roof profile) is development.
- (b) the proposed location, number, size and siting of the solar panels on the roof meet the conditions and limitations of Class 56(e) of Schedule 2, Part 1 of the Planning and Development Regulations 2001 (as amended).

NOW THEREFORE Louth County Council in exercise of the powers conferred on it by Section 5(2)(a) of the Planning and Development Act 2000 (as amended), hereby decides that the proposal **is development and is exempted development.**

In Summary

A Declaration of Exemption is hereby GRANTED for the development as detailed on the plans and particulars submitted on 1st July 2026.

This decision may be referred by you to An Coimisiún Pleanála for review within 4 weeks of the date of this letter subject to the payment of the appropriate fee.

Yours faithfully,

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