

Ref Number JA0040

Dublin Mountain Visitor Centre.

Hellfire Club/Montpellier Hill/ Maseys Wood.

10 Tara Hill Grove,

Rathfarnham.

Dublin 14.

20 Sept 2017.

Dear Sir

I wish to object to the above development on the grounds that an Environmental Impact Study was not completed. There was no consultation with local residents. People who have lived all their lives in this area and would have intimate knowledge of the local wildlife such as the Red Squirrels, Brown Hares, Badgers, Bats and Woodpeckers.

The Red Squirrel is a protected nationally in the Wildlife Act of 1976 and 2000 As a native Irish Species, the Red Squirrel falls under N P W S's jurisdiction for conservation purposes. However, its very nature as a woodland mammal links its future protection to its habitat. This species spends its life in the treetops in mature conifer trees.

The stakeholders responsible for this habitat must therefore form part of a collaborative to conserve the Irish Squirrel in the future. These stakeholders include the Forest Service of the R O I, Coillte, Teagasc, Irish Timber Growers Ass, the Society of Irish Foresters, private owners and C R A N N.

A threefold footfall increase will be sought to make this development commercially viable. There is no Woodland Management Plan or other control to ensure the sustainability of the existing environment. South Dublin County Council have no Biodiversity Officer unlike other local authorities.

This amenity has been used by many generations of Dubliners and should remain as such.

I wish to apply for an oral hearing. I enclose a 50 Euro fee.

Signed

Anne Codd.

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