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To the Chairperson and Members of  
The Central Area Committee.

***GGDA Report – July Area Committee***

An Bord Pleanála has approved the proposed amendment to the Grangegorman Planning Scheme to allow for a 24 classroom primary school on the site. The Board decided that the amendment would not represent a material change to the Scheme. Therefore, as per the Planning Act, the Planning Authority (Dublin City Council) are not required to go to public consultation.

The following is a quote from the relevant Order:

*“Having regard to the overall provisions of S170A of the Act, the Board agreed with the inspector’s conclusion that the proposed amendments would not be material, given the limited nature of the proposed amendment. It is considered that the amendment will not have material implications for the amenities of the area and will not affect the overall planning scheme objectives or the character of the Grangegorman SDZ area.”*

The decision can be found on An Bord Pleanála’s website.

The GDA will now proceed with the design of a 24 classroom school with lead designers Grafton Architects.

The Department of Education and Skills requested that the school be increased in size from 16 to 24 classrooms following research into future pupil numbers in the area by their forward planning unit two years ago.

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