

## Appeals Process



### STEP ONE Appeal Submission

Appeal lodged to the Department of Planning & Environmental Appeals (DPEA) either against a refusal by the LA or as a result of non-determination by the LA. All information supporting the applicants appeal to be submitted at this stage.

**TIMEFRAME:** To be submitted within 3 months of decision, or in the case of a non-determination appeal within 3 months of expiry of agreed determination period

### STEP TWO – Consultation

All parties that made representation on the application will be invited by the DPEA to take part in the appeals process by submitting a written statement.

**TIMEFRAME:** These parties have 28 days to submit their written statements. The appellant then has 14 days to respond to anything that was not addressed in their original appeal submission.

### STEP THREE – Procedure

Once all written submissions have been reviewed by the allocated Reporter appointed by the DPEA they will then make a decision on the necessary procedure, options include one or more of the following:

- Written Submissions
- Unaccompanied Site Visit
- Accompanied Site Visit
- Hearing
- Public Local Inquiry

**TIMEFRAME:** 3 – 9 months depending on procedure.

### STEP FOUR – Decision

Following conclusion of the process in Step 3 a decision will be issued.

**TIMEFRAME:** 3 – 12 months depending on procedure.

### STEP SEVEN – Decision Notice

Once a decision is made the applicant places a notice in the press advising members of the public of the decision.

### STEP EIGHT – Discharge of Conditions

Should consent be granted the applicant must adhere to the conditions of any consent and, where applicable, fulfil certain obligations before construction can proceed and during operation.