



March 2018 Update

This is the new edition of the Arthur Cox Environment & Planning Update, the monthly bulletin of the Arthur Cox Environment & Planning Group focused on recent developments in the industry sectors that we believe may be of particular interest to you including all key domestic and European news.

We hope you find this Update useful. If you would like to discuss any particular topic covered, please feel free to contact a member of our group.

Kind regards

Arthur Cox Environment & Planning Group



DOMESTIC NEWS

Domestic Cases

- Friends of the Irish Environment v An Bord Pleanála – [2018] IEHC 136 – 9 March 2018
- North Meath Wind Farm Ltd. & Anor v An Bord Pleanála [2018] IEHC 107 – 7 March 2018
- North Meath Wind Farm Limited & Anor –v- An Bord Pleanála & Anor [2018] IECA 49 – 23 March 2018

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Domestic Legislation

- Establishment of Forestry Appeals Committee
- Establishment of 10 further areas as Special Areas of Conservation (SACs)

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EUROPEAN NEWS

North East Pylon Pressure Campaign Limited v An Bord Pleanála – C 470/16 – 15 March 2018

Decision on the 'special costs rules' in environmental cases delivered.

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Revised EU ETS Directive published – 19 March 2018

Revised Directive (Directive 2018/410) to enter into force on 9 April; Member State transposition is required by 9 October 2019.

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Publication of REACH Review – 5 March 2018

In its press release, the Commission stated that the Review demonstrated that implementation of the Regulation on Registration, Evaluation, Authorisation and Restriction of Chemicals (or REACH Regulation) by EU companies and authorities was ensuring the safe use of chemicals and the phase-out of dangerous substances.



UPCOMING SPEAKING EVENTS

- National Flood Management Conference 2018
- Law and the Environment Conference 2018 - Towards Environmental Responsibility, Accountability and Liability

If you are attending either of these events, get in touch with the team below and we would be happy to share any further information.

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