



MERGER ANNOUNCEMENT - M/18/086

Competition and Consumer Protection Commission clears proposed acquisition by Brightstone Trading Limited of controlling shareholding in Fitzpatrick Motors (Bray) Limited

7 December 2018

On 7 December 2018, the Competition and Consumer Protection Commission cleared the proposed transaction whereby, Brightstone Trading Limited would acquire a controlling shareholding in Fitzpatrick Motors (Bray) Limited. The proposed transaction was notified under the Competition Act 2002, as amended, on 1 November 2018.

The Commission has formed the view that the proposed transaction will not substantially lessen competition in any market for goods or services in the State. The Commission will publish the reasons for its determination on its website no later than 60 working days after the date of the determination and after allowing the parties the opportunity to request that confidential information be removed from the published version.

Additional Information

Brightstone Trading Limited is the parent company of a number of subsidiaries who are active in the motor trade sector which operate dealerships including Ford, Seat, Citroen and Suzuki. It also offers finance options on new and used vehicles and has a range of manufacturer approved after-sales products and services for its brands including accident and repair.

Fitzpatrick Motors (Bray) Limited is a Ford motor dealer selling new and used passenger cars and light commercial vehicles and offering aftersales service and repair business at Dublin Road, Bray, County Wicklow.