



Planning and Development Acts 2000 to 2019

Planning Authority: Donegal County Council

Planning Register Reference Number: 19/51963

APPEAL by WP Kearns Limited of 1 The Warren, Eleven Ballyboes, Greencastle, County Donegal against the decision made on the 20th day of February, 2020 by Donegal County Council to grant subject to conditions a permission to Eircom Limited care of Towercom Limited of Usher House, Main Street, Dundrum, Dublin.

Proposed Development: Construction of a new telecommunications support structure (overall height 21.5 metres) carrying antennas, dishes, associated equipment, together with ground equipment cabinets and new fencing. All at the Eir Exchange, Main Street, Muff, County Donegal.

Decision

REFUSE permission for the above proposed development in accordance with the reasons and considerations set out below.

Matters Considered

In making its decision, the Board had regard to those matters to which, by virtue of the Planning and Development Acts and Regulations made thereunder, it was required to have regard. Such matters included any submissions and observations received by it in accordance with statutory provisions.

Reasons and Considerations

It is considered that the proposed telecommunications structure and associated equipment by virtue of its size and design on a visually prominent site within the centre of the village of Muff would have an unacceptable visual impact and would adversely affect the visual amenities of the area. It is, therefore, considered that the proposed development would seriously injure the visual amenities of the area and would, therefore, be contrary to the proper planning and sustainable development of the area.

Terry Ó Niadh

Member of An Bord Pleanála

duly authorised to authenticate

the seal of the Board.

Dated this day of 2020.