



Board Direction

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Ref: 18.246421

The submissions on this file and the Inspector's report were considered at a Board meeting held on 29th, July 2016.

The Board decided to refuse permission generally in accordance with the Inspector's recommendation, for the reasons and considerations as set out below.

REASONS AND CONSIDERATIONS

1. The Ulster Canal is designated under the Monaghan County Development Plan 2013-2019 as an Area of Secondary Special Amenity Value and the part of the canal within the site is zoned under objective 'H' for recreation and amenity. The bridge whose retention is proposed would not be in keeping with the historic form, function and character of the Ulster Canal, would be visually obtrusive and would seriously detract from the amenity value of the canal. The development would, therefore, be contrary to the provisions of the development plan and to the proper planning and sustainable development of the area.
2. The retention of the bridge would militate against the reopening of the Ulster Canal and would, therefore, materially contravene objective ST04 of the development plan.

Board Member: _____ Date: 3rd, August 2016
Paddy Keogh

Note: On the basis of the documentation submitted with the application and appeal the board is not satisfied that the applicant had the requisite legal interest in the land to carry out the development.

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