



Board Direction

Ref: 06F.246924

The submissions on this file and the Inspector's report were considered at a meeting of all available Board members held on 9th, March 2017.

The Board decided (by a majority 4 : 3) to refuse permission generally in accordance with the Inspector's recommendation, for the reasons and considerations as set out below.

REASONS AND CONSIDERATIONS

Metro North is a crucial element of the planned national transport infrastructure for which a preferred route has yet to be identified. The Fingal Development plan 2011-2017 includes policy to support its delivery. The National Transport Authority have advised that the appeal site is positioned at a significant location in the context of the new Metro scheme as it is in the general area where the scheme would likely transition from underground tunnel to either elevated or at-surface construction. Notwithstanding that the appeal site is considered suitable in all other aspects in the context of proper planning and sustainable development, the Board has concluded that it would be premature to grant permission for the development pending the finalisation of the preferred route for the metro project.

Board Member: _____ Date: 13th, March 2017

Paddy Keogh