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Board Direction

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The submissions on this file and the Inspector's report were considered at a Board meeting held on November 7th 2016.

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

Reasons and Considerations

It is the policy of the planning authority: to protect the physical landscape and visual character of County Sligo (ref: policy P-LCAP-3); to protect the historic and archaeological landscapes of County Sligo (ref: policy P-LCAP-4), and to protect and enhance the visual qualities of rural areas through the sensitive design of necessary development (ref: policy P-LCAP-5), as indicated in the Sligo County Development Plan 2011-2017. These policies are considered reasonable. The Board is not satisfied, based on information submitted with the application and in the grounds of appeal, that the existing and proposed beekeeping activities at this location warrants or justifies a development of the scale and nature proposed. Furthermore, having regard to the processes proposed to be accommodated in the 'honey house', it is considered that development of the type proposed would be more appropriately located within a designated development centre on suitably zoned and serviced land. The applicant has failed to demonstrate that the proposed development is a necessary development in this rural area which is outside of a designated development centre and in an area of international archaeological importance, the Cuil Irra Peninsula. The proposed development would, therefore, be contrary to the above-mentioned policies and would be contrary to the proper planning and sustainable development of the area.

Board Member: _____ Date: 7th November 2016
Philip Jones