

Board Direction PL15.247997

The submissions on this file and the Inspector's report were considered at a Board meeting held on 10th October 2017.

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

Reasons and Considerations

The Board is not satisfied, on the basis of the information contained on file and provided in response to the Board's request for further information, that the waste water treatment plant proposed would adequately treat the effluent arising from the proposed commercial activity and would not result in a pollution risk to the existing and proposed wells in the vicinity or give rise to ponding on the subject site. The proposed development is therefore considered to be prejudicial to public health and is therefore, contrary to the proper planning and sustainable development of the area.

Note: In coming to its conclusion the Board concurred with the local authority's analysis that, having regard to the specific proposal for use as a residence care unit for persons with intellectual or physical disability or mental illness in a rural setting would not necessarily be contrary to the policy provisions of The Louth County Development Plan 2015-2021 which seeks to locate nursing homes and analogous services in urban settings.

Board Member

Date: 12th October 2017

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