

Board Direction PL61.248269

The submissions on this file and the Inspector's report were considered at a Board meeting held on 28<sup>th</sup> July 2017.

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

## **Reasons and Considerations**

1. Having regard to the internally illuminated LED lighting to the proposed advertising structures, to their location within an area zoned for Recreation and Amenity uses in the Galway City Development Plan, 2017-2023 and where there is a specific objective for the preparation of a masterplan for the upgrading of the amenity use of the area, to the existing amenity use of the environs of the site and to the visual prominence of the site in views of Lough Atalia from the Dublin Road as reflected in listed view V3 in section 4.5.3 of the plan, it is considered that notwithstanding the reduction in the area of the structure from that existing on site that the proposed development would have an overall adverse impact on the recreational and visual amenity of the site and on the visual amenity of the area, and would endanger public safety by reason of traffic hazard. The proposed development would therefore be contrary to the Objective RA Recreation and Amenity zoning objective of the site and would be contrary to the proper planning and sustainable development of the area.

**Board Member** 

Date: 28<sup>th</sup> July 2017

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