

Board Direction PL15.248273

The submissions on this file and the Inspector's report were considered at a Board meeting held on August 30th 2017.

The Board treated this case under section 48 of the Planning and Development Act, 2000, as amended. The Board also decided that the planning authority be directed to attach condition number 10, and the reason therefor, for the Reasons and Considerations set out below.

Reasons and Considerations

It is considered that the terms of the Development Contribution Scheme were properly applied in this instance, and that the development the subject of the application did not come within the scope of the reductions set out in Section 6.2 of the Scheme.

In not accepting the recommendation of the Inspector to amend the condition so as to allow for a 75% reduction in the amount of the development contribution, the Board considered that it had not been demonstrated that the development which was the subject matter of the application (the provision of two light industrial / warehouse buildings) was connected to the ventures that had been grant aided by the Louth Local Enterprise Office, that is to explore the potential of exporting malted barley and related products to the US craft beer market and to invest in specific plant and equipment for the development of milled and dried malted barley products for the

craft beer market. Furthermore, the Board noted that there was no specific letter of support from the Louth Local Enterprise Office for the subject development. On the basis of the information submitted with the application and appeal, the Board therefore considered that the Development Contribution Scheme was properly applied in this instance.

Board Member:		Date:	31 st August 2017
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