

Board Direction PL01.248866

The submissions on this file and the Inspector's report were considered at a Board meeting held on 19th April 2018.

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

Appropriate Assessment Screening

The Board completed an Appropriate Assessment Screening exercise in relation to the potential effects of the proposed development on European Sites, taking into account the nature, scale and location of the proposed development, the receiving environment, the Appropriate Assessment Screening Report submitted with the application and the Inspector's report and submissions on file. In completing the screening exercise, the Board adopted the report of the Inspector and concluded that, by itself or in combination with other development in the vicinity, the proposed development would not be likely to have a significant effect on any European Site in view of the sites' conservation objectives.

Reasons and Considerations

Having regard to the nature of the proposed licensed development in a rural location on an established agricultural farm, along with the provisions of the Carlow County Development Plan 2015, it is considered that the proposal, subject to compliance with the conditions set out hereunder, would not be prejudicial to the rural environment or injurious to the existing residential amenities of the area or property in the vicinity, would not give rise to a traffic hazard, and would, therefore, be in accordance with the proper planning and sustainable development of the area.

Conditions

1. The development shall be carried out and completed in accordance with the plans and particulars lodged with the application as amended by the further plans and particulars submitted on the 1st March 2017, 14th March 2017, 28th April 2017 and 19th May 2017 except as may otherwise be required in order to comply with the following conditions. Where such conditions require details to be agreed with the planning authority, the developer shall agree such details in writing with the planning authority prior to commencement of development and the development shall be carried out and completed in accordance with the agreed particulars.

Reason: In the interest of clarity.

2. (a) A landscape scheme shall be submitted to, and agreed in writing with, the Planning Authority prior to commencement of development. This shall provide details of appropriate screen planting consisting predominantly of trees, shrubs and hedging of native species. The planting shall be carried out in accordance with the agreed scheme and shall be completed within the first planting season following the substantial completion of external construction works.

(b) Any plants which die, are removed or become seriously damaged or diseased, within a period of five years from the completion of the development shall be replaced within the next planting season with others of similar size and species, unless otherwise agreed in writing with the planning authority.

Reason: In order to screen the development and in the interest of visual amenity.

3. Water supply and drainage arrangements for the site, including the disposal of surface and soiled water, shall comply with the requirements of the planning

authority for such works and services. In this regard only uncontaminated surface water run-off shall be discharged into the adjoining Moanmore River and all contaminated and soiled waters shall be directed to the manure storage tanks located on site. Drainage details shall be submitted to and agreed in writing with the planning authority, prior to commencement of development.

Reason: In the interest of environmental protection and public health.

4. The proposed piggery enterprise shall run in strict accordance with a management schedule to be submitted to and agreed in writing with the Planning Authority. The management schedule shall be in accordance with the requirements of the European Communities (Good Agricultural Practice for the Protection of Water) Regulations 2014 (S.I. 31 of 2014) and shall provide at least for the following:

1. Detail of the number of livestock to be housed at the development at any one time.

2. The arrangements for the collection, storage and disposal of all effluent generated from the facility.

3. The arrangements for the cleansing and disinfecting of buildings and structures including the public road where relevant.

Reason: In order to avoid pollution and protect residential amenity.

5. All foul effluent and slurry generated by the proposed development shall be conveyed through properly constructed channels to the proposed and existing storage facilities and no effluent or slurry shall discharge or be allowed to discharge to any stream, river or watercourse, or to the public road.

Reason: In the interest of public health.

6. The construction of the development shall be managed in accordance with a Construction Management Plan, which shall be submitted to, and agreed in writing with, the planning authority prior to commencement of development. This

plan shall provide details of intended construction practice for the development, including hours of working, noise management measures and off-site disposal of construction/demolition waste.

Reason: In the interests of public safety and amenity.

7. The developer shall pay to the planning authority a financial contribution in respect of public infrastructure and facilities benefiting development in the area of the planning authority that is provided or intended to be provided by or on behalf of the authority in accordance with the terms of the Development Contribution Scheme made under section 48 of the Planning and Development Act 2000. Details of the application of the terms of the Scheme shall be agreed between the planning authority and the developer or, in default of such agreement, the matter shall be referred to the Board to determine the proper application of the terms of the Scheme.

Reason: It is a requirement of the Planning and Development Act 2000 that a condition requiring a contribution in accordance with the Development Contribution Scheme made under section 48 of the Act be applied to the permission.

Board Member

Date: 19th April 2018

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