

Board Direction BD-000525-18 ABP-300601-18

The submissions on this file and the Inspector's report were considered at a Board meeting held on 19/06/2018.

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

Reasons and Considerations

Having regard to the zoning provisions of the Wexford Town and Environs Development Plan 2009-2019 for the area within which the site is located, 'Objective K.'– (Bulky Goods), the 'Retail Planning Guidelines for Planning Authorities', issued by the Department of the Environment, Heritage and Local Government in January, 2012, the Wexford Retail Strategy and the retail hierarchy set out in the Wexford County Development Plan 2013-2019, it considered that the change of use to be retained would be contrary to the policies and objectives aimed at restricting the role of retail warehousing to the retailing of bulky goods and would seriously injure the vitality and viability of Wexford Town Centre. The change of use to be retained would materially contravene the zoning objectives as set out in the Plan and would, therefore, be contrary to the proper planning and sustainable development of the area. **Board Member**

Date: 19/06/2018

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