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Board Direction
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The submissions on this file and the Inspector's report were considered at a Board meeting held on 19/07/2018.

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

Reasons and Considerations

1. The proposed development would result in the creation of a new vehicular access onto the R518, which is a Strategic Regional Road, which would generate additional traffic turning movements at a point in the road where sightlines are restricted in both directions due to the substandard road alignment and would necessitate the removal of substantial lengths of roadside boundaries and mature vegetation. The proposed development would, therefore, endanger public safety by reason of traffic hazard and obstruction of road users, would contravene Objectives IN 016 and EH 06 of the current Limerick County Development Plan 2010-2016 (as extended) and would be contrary to the proper planning and sustainable development of the area.
2. Having regard to the density of dwellings served by bored wells and individual wastewater treatment systems in the vicinity of the site, to the drainage characteristics and vulnerable nature of groundwater in the area, the Board is not satisfied on the basis of the documentation provided with the planning application and appeal, that the site can be drained satisfactorily by means of the wastewater treatment system proposed, or that safe and efficient water

supply can be provided on site. The proposed development would, therefore, present an unacceptable risk of water pollution, would be prejudicial to public health and would be contrary to the proper planning and sustainable development of the area.

3. On the basis of the information provided with the application and appeal and in the absence of a Natura Impact Statement the Board cannot be satisfied that the proposed development individually, or in combination with other plans or projects, would not be likely to have a significant effect on European Site No. 002279, Askeaton Fen Complex SAC, or any other European site, in view of the site's Conservation Objectives. In such circumstances, the Board is precluded from granting permission.

Board Member

Date: 23/07/2018

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