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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 05/11/2018.

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

Reasons and Considerations

1 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 Nos. 004031, 000268, 000054, or any other European site, in view of the site's Conservation Objectives. In such circumstances the Board is precluded from granting permission.

2 The proposed development would endanger public safety by reason of traffic hazard because the site is located alongside a narrow and poorly aligned section of the National Primary Road N67 at a point where a speed limit of 100kph applies and the additional traffic turning movements to which the proposed development would interfere with the safety and free flow of traffic on the road. Furthermore, the proposed development, by itself or by the precedent which the grant of permission for it would set for other relevant development, would adversely affect the use of the national road by traffic and be contrary to national policy to protect the capacity of national routes.

3 The site is located along a designated scenic route, which is part of the Wild Atlantic Way touring route, in a designated heritage landscape, where it lies between an indented coastal fringe and iconic Burren Landscape and the erection of a dwelling in this exposed location would be extremely injurious to the visual amenities of the area.

Board Member

Date: 05/11/2018

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