

Board Direction BD-001143-18 ABP-301828-18

The submissions on this file and the Inspector's report were considered at a Board meeting held on 18/09/2018.

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

Reasons and Considerations

The site of the development proposed for retention is located within the rural area of County Galway where emphasis is placed in Development Management Standards 6 and 8 of the Galway County Development Plan 2015-2021 on the importance of designing with the landscape and of siting of development to minimise visual intrusion, which are considered to be reasonable. Having regard to the rural nature of the site, the positioning of the proposed development along the north west boundary adjacent to an existing residential property, together with its excessive height and scale, it is considered that the proposed development would form a discordant and obtrusive feature on the landscape at this location, would seriously injure the visual amenities of the area, would fail to be adequately absorbed and integrated into the landscape, would militate against the preservation of the rural environment and would set an undesirable precedent for other such prominently

located developme	ent in the vicinity. The proposed de	veiopment	would, therefore	, be
contrary to the pro	per planning and sustainable deve	lopment of	the area.	
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Board Member		Date:	20/09/2018	
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