

Board Direction BD-001737-18 ABP-302259-18

The submissions on this file and the Inspector's report were considered at a Board meeting held on 23/11/2018.

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

Reasons and Considerations

The site of the proposed development is located within an "Area Under Strong Urban Influence" as set out in the "Sustainable Rural Housing Guidelines for Planning Authorities" issued by the Department of the Environment, Heritage and Local Government in April, 2005 and in an area where housing is restricted to persons demonstrating a genuine requirement for housing in accordance with policy RES16 and land use objective 'G' (High Amenity Zone) of the Dun Laoghaire Rathdown County Development Plan 2016-2022. Furthermore, the subject site is located in a rural area that is under urban influence, where it is national policy, as set out in National Policy Objective 19 of the National Planning Framework, to facilitate the provision of single housing in the countryside based on the core consideration of demonstrable economic or social need to live in a rural area. Having regard to the proximity of existing settlements to the subject site and having regard to the documentation submitted with the application and appeal, the Board is not satisfied that the applicants have a demonstrable economic or social need to live in this rural area. It is considered, therefore, that the applicants do not come within the scope of

the housing need criteria as set out in the Guidelines and in national policy for a house at this location. The proposed development would, therefore, be contrary to the Ministerial Guidelines and to the over-arching national policy, notwithstanding the provisions of the current Dun Laoghaire Rathdown Development Plan, and would, be contrary to the proper planning and sustainable development of the area.

Board Member		Date:	23/11/2018
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