

Board Direction BD-002132-19 ABP-302543-18

The submissions on this file and the Inspector's report were considered at a Board meeting held on 15/01/2019.

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 adjacent to the N65, a National Strategic Route directly off which it is to be served by an entrance at a location where the maximum speed limit applies. It is considered that the proposed development would generate intensification of use and additional turning movements for access and egress onto and off the carriageway to and from the proposed development. The proposed development would, conflict with Objective TI 6 of the Galway County Development Plan, 2015-2021 according to which development with direct access or intensification of traffic from existing accesses on the national primary and secondary roads outside the 50 to 60 kph zones of villages and towns will not be permitted and would set an undesirable precedent for similar type development resulting in adverse impact on the operational capacity efficiency and connectivity and safe and free flow of traffic on the strategic national road network. The proposed development would, therefore, endanger public safety by reason of traffic hazard and would be contrary to the proper planning and sustainable development of the area.

Board Member		Date:	15/01/2019	
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Note: The Board concurred with the view of the Council's Planner and the Board's Inspector that the Applicant had not demonstrated a functional need to live at this location but decided not to include as a second reason for refusal, as it is a new issue in the context of the appeal.

Please include a copy of the Board Direction with the Board Order.