

## Board Direction BD-003498-19 ABP-303588-19

The submissions on this file and the Inspector's report were considered at a Board meeting held on 9/7/2019.

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 zoned E2 'Enterprise and Employment' in the Wicklow Town – Rathnew Development Plan, 2013 – 2019, where the objective is 'to provide for enterprise and employment development in the form of light industry, warehousing and logistics development'. Policy Objective EMP2 of the Development Plan states 'to promote and support the development of employment land and to protect employment zoned land from inappropriate development' The proposed development includes a mix of office, creche and nursing home uses. The proposed development mix would prejudice the development of the appeal site for light industry, warehousing and logistics development and therefore would contravene the Zoning Objective 'E2' and Policy Objective EMP2 of the Wicklow Town – Rathnew Development Plan, 2013 – 2019, and would be contrary to the proper planning and sustainable development of the area.

<b>Board Member</b>		Date:	09/07/2019
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