

## **Board Direction BD-003844-19 ABP-303981-19**

The submissions on this file and the Inspector's report were considered at a Board meeting held on 21<sup>st</sup> August 2019.

In reaching its decision, the Board had regard to the overall purpose and content of the Urban Regeneration and Housing Act, 2015, as amended and was satisfied that the lands in question would satisfy the requirements of the Act in relation to the site being vacant and idle.

The Board determined, generally in accordance with the Inspector's recommendation, that, based on the information before it, the site is a vacant site within the meaning of the Urban Regeneration and Housing Act, 2015, as amended, for the following reasons and considerations.

## **Reasons and Considerations**

Having regard to

- (a) The information placed before the Board by the Planning Authority in relation to the entry of the site on the Vacant Sites Register,
- (b) The grounds of appeal submitted by the appellant,
- (c) The report of the Planning Inspector,

- (d) that the site is suitable for the provision of housing by reference to the provision of public infrastructure and facilities (within the meaning of section 48 of the Planning and Development Act, 2000, as amended) necessary to enable housing to be provided and serviced,
- (e) That the majority of the site is vacant or idle, there is a need for housing in the area, the site is suitable for the provision of housing, and that the appellants have failed to provide evidence to demonstrate that the site is not a vacant site within the meaning of the Urban Regeneration and Housing Act, 2015, as amended.

The Board is satisfied that the site was a vacant site for the relevant period.

<b>Board Member</b>		Date:	22/08/2019
	Stephen Bohan		