



An
Bord
Pleanála

S9 Board Direction
BD-004910-20
ABP-304095-19

The submissions on this file and the Inspector's report were considered at a Board meeting held on 15/01/2020

The Board determined, generally in accordance with the Inspector's recommendation, that, based on the information before it, the site **was** a vacant site within the meaning of the Urban Regeneration and Housing Act, 2015, as amended, for the period concerned, as set out in the entry in the Vacant Sites Register, 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 and the subsequent submissions from the Planning Authority and the Appellant,
- (c) The report of the Planning Inspector,
- (d) Policy HD19 of the Wicklow County Development Plan 2016-2022 and the provisions of the Local Area Plan for Newtownmountkennedy 2008-2018 in particular its zoning of the site for town centre activities, and
- (e) The disruption that the vacancy of the site causes to the streetscape along the Main Street of the town and the resulting injury to the character and amenities of the area,

The Board considers that it is appropriate that a notice be issued to the Planning Authority who shall **confirm** the entry on the Vacant Sites Register.

Board Member

Date: 15/01/2020

Terry Ó Niadh