

Board Direction BD-005861-20 ABP-306008-19

The submissions on this file and the Inspector's report were considered at a Board meeting held on 29/05/2020.

The Board decided to make a split decision, to

 grant permission, for the following reasons and considerations (1) and subject to the following conditions for the house and garage / store / workshop as constructed and permission for the wastewater treatment system

and

(2) refuse permission for the sperate dwelling unit

generally in accordance with the Inspector's recommendation, for the following reasons and considerations (2).

Reasons and Considerations (1).

Having regard to the site's location and the policy and objective provisions in the Wicklow County Development Plan 2016-2022 together with the permission granted for dwelling and services (Reg Ref 97/6417) and to the nature, scale and design of the dwelling and garage / store / workshop to retained, it is considered that, subject to compliance with the conditions set out below, the proposed development including the development of a new wastewater treatment plant would not seriously injure the residential or visual amenities of the area or of property in the vicinity and would be acceptable in terms of public health and traffic safety. The proposed development would, therefore, be in accordance with the proper planning and sustainable development of the area.

Conditions

	The development shall be carried out and completed in accordance with the
	plans and particulars lodged with the application, except as may otherwise
	be required in order to comply with the following conditions. Where such
	conditions require details to be agreed with the planning authority, the
	developer shall agree such details in writing with the planning authority prior
	to commencement of development and the development shall be carried out
	and completed in accordance with the agreed particulars.
	Reason: In the interest of clarity
2.	(a) The proposed septic tank drainage system shall be in accordance with
	the standards set out in the document entitled "Code of Practice -
	Wastewater Treatment and Disposal Systems Serving Single Houses (p.e.
	≤ 10)" – Environmental Protection Agency, 2009.
	Reason: In the interest of public health
3.	The garage / store / workshop development shall be used solely for a
	purpose that is incidental to the enjoyment of the dwelling on the site and
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application of the terms of the Scheme shall be agreed between the planning authority and the developer or, in default of such agreement, the matter shall be referred to An Bord Pleanála to determine the proper application of the terms of the Scheme.

Reason: It is a requirement of the Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended, that a condition requiring a contribution in accordance with the Development Contribution Scheme made under section 48 of the Act be applied to the permission

Reasons and Considerations (2).

It is the policy of the planning authority as set out in Objective HD23 of the current development Plan to control housing in the countryside. This policy is considered to be reasonable. The development to be retained, comprising a separate dwelling unit would be in conflict with this policy because, when taken in conjunction with existing dwelling on the site would give rise to an excessive density of development and the encroachment of random rural development in a rural area lacking certain public services and community facilities and would contravene Objective HD23 and the policy of the planning authority, as expressed in the current Development Plan, to direct residential development to serviced centres (which policy is considered to be reasonable). The proposed development would, therefore, be contrary to the proper planning and sustainable development of the area

Board Member:

Date: 29/05/2020

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