

Board Direction BD-005397-20 ABP-306279-19

The submissions on this file and the Inspector's report were considered at a Board meeting held on 12/03/2020.

The Board decided to treat this case under section 139 of the Planning and Development Act, 2000. The Board also decided, based on the Reasons and Considerations set out below / set out on the attached copy of the Inspector's report, that the planning authority be directed, as follows:

Amend condition number 5 as follows

5. Prior to the commencement of development, detailed design of the proposed antenna including total number, size and type, shall be submitted to the planning authority for written agreement.

Reason: In order to clarify the nature of the development.

## **Reasons and Considerations**

Having regard to the provisions of the National Planning Framework, the Meath County Development Plan 2013 - 2019, the "Telecommunications Antennae and Support Structures Guidelines for Planning Authorities" issued by the Department of the Environment and Local Government in 1996 and associated Circular Letter PL 07/12, and Class 31(h) of the Planning and Development Regulations, 2001 (as amended), it is considered that (i) condition no. 5 of the planning authority's grant of permission is unnecessarily restrictive and should be replaced, and (ii) subject to compliance with a revised condition that clarifies the nature of the development, the proposed development would not seriously injure the amenities of the area or of property in the vicinity and would, therefore, be in accordance with the proper planning and sustainable development of the area.

**Board Member:** 

**Date:** 12/03/2020

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