



An
Bord
Pleanála

Board Direction
BD-005734-20
ABP-306318-20

At a meeting held on May 8th, 2020

- (a) the objections made to the Compulsory Acquisition Notice,
- (b) the documents and submissions on file generally, and
- (c) The report of the Inspector.

The Board decided to grant consent to the compulsory acquisition, for the following reasons and considerations:-

Reasons and Considerations

Having regard to:

- (a) The submissions on file,
- (b) The observed and documented endangered condition of Millbrook House, Abbeyleix Demesne, Abbeyleix, Co. Laois, a protected structure of regional architectural importance,
- (c) Non-compliance with the schedule of works set out in the Section 59 Notice issued by Laois County Council to the owners on the 21st day of September 2018,

- (c) The Laois County Development Plan 2017-2023,
- (d) The Architectural Heritage Protection Guidelines for Planning Authorities (2011),
- (f) The National Inventory of Architectural Heritage,
- (g) The report and recommendation of the Inspector appointed by the Board.

It is considered that urgent measures are necessary in order to prevent this protected structure from continuing to be endangered and therefore the compulsory acquisition of the protected structure, as defined in Section 72(2) of the Act (as amended) and as outlined in red on map received by An Bord Pleanála on the 24th day of December 2019, by the planning authority is necessary for the purposes of the protection of the structure, and is proportionate, having regard to the exigencies of the common good. It is also considered that the objections made cannot be sustained having regard to this necessity.

Board Member

Date: 11th May 2020.

Philip Jones