

Board Direction BD-005863-20 ABP-306657-20

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 refuse permission, generally in accordance with the Inspector's recommendation, for the following reasons and considerations.

Reasons and Considerations

Having regard to-

- (a) the scale, height and locally elevated position of the proposed development in an area zoned as High Amenity, *To Protect and Enhance High Amenity Areas*.
- (b) the scale and location of the proposed telecommunications mast in close proximity to a protected structure, Kilcrea House (RPS 500),
- (c) the guidelines to planning authorities relating to Telecommunications Antennae and Support Structures, issued by the Department of the Environment and Local Government in July 1996, and
- (d) the policies and objectives of the development plan for the area,

it is considered that the proposed development would have a negative impact on the character and setting of this protected structure and would negatively impact on and landscape and visual amenities of the area, contrary to the provisions of the Fingal County Development Plan, and would set an undesirable precedent for other similar development in this area. The proposed development would therefore be contrary to the proper planning and sustainable development of the area.

Board Member

Date: 29/05/2020

Paul Hyde