

## **Board Direction BD-006137-20 ABP-306724-20**

The submissions on this file and the Inspector's report were considered at a Board meeting held on 23/07/2020.

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 guidelines relating to Telecommunications Antennae and Support Structures which were issued by the Department of the Environment and Local Government to planning authorities in July, 1996,
- (b) the highly visible context of the 24metres freestanding structure within amenity grounds in an urban setting and
- (c) the planning histories for the existing and permitted masts in the general vicinity of the subject site,

The Board considered that the proposed development would lead to a proliferation of
elecommunications structures where an opportunity for co-location exists in the
mmediate area on permitted masts and would seriously injure the visual amenities
of the area. The proposed development would, therefore, be contrary to the proper
planning and sustainable development of the area.
Board Member Date: 23/07/2020

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