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Board Direction
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The submissions on this file and the Inspector's report were considered at a Board meeting held on 27/08/2020.

The Board decided to grant permission generally in accordance with the Inspector's recommendation, for the following reasons and considerations, and subject to the following conditions.

Reasons and Considerations

Having regard to:

- (a) the national strategy regarding the improvement of mobile communications services,
- (b) the guidelines relating to telecommunications antennas and support structures which were issued by the Department of the Environment and Local Government to planning authorities in July, 1996,
- (c) Carlow County Development Plan, 2015 – 2021,
- (d) the Circular Letter PL07/12 issued by the Department of the Environment, Community and Local Government,
- (e) the nature and scale of the proposed telecommunications support structure,

it is considered that, subject to compliance with the conditions set out below, the proposed development would not seriously injure the visual amenities or landscape character of the area, or the residential amenities of the area and would not be contrary to the overall provisions of the current development plan for the area. The proposed development would, therefore, be in accordance with the proper planning and sustainable development of the area.

1.0 Conditions

1. The development shall be carried out and completed in accordance with the plans and particulars lodged with the application as amended by the further plans and particulars submitted to the planning authority on the 2nd day of December, 2019 and the 17th day of February, 2020, 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) Vehicular access to the site during the construction and operational phases of the development shall be solely from the L7124 public road as detailed on the revised plans submitted to the planning authority on the 2nd day of December, 2019. Sightlines at the entrance shall be provided in accordance with the requirements of the Design Manual for Roads and Bridges.

- (b) The existing agricultural entrance onto the R448 which serves the field where the subject site is located, shall not be used for access purposes to the site under any circumstances.

Reason: In the interest of traffic safety.

3. The site shall be landscaped in accordance with a comprehensive scheme of landscaping, details of which shall be submitted to, and agreed in writing with, the planning authority prior to commencement of development.

Reason: In the interest of visual amenity.

4. Surface water drainage arrangements for the proposed development shall comply with the requirements of the planning authority.

Reason: In the interest of public health.

5. Details of the proposed colour scheme for the telecommunications structure, ancillary structures and fencing shall be submitted to and agreed in writing with, the planning authority prior to commencement of development.

Reason: In the interest of the visual amenities of the area.

6. Site development and building works shall be carried out only between the hours of 0800 to 1900 Mondays to Fridays inclusive, between 0800 to 1400 hours on Saturdays and not at all on Sundays and public holidays. Deviation from these times will only be allowed in exceptional circumstances where prior written approval has been received from the planning authority.

Reason: In order to safeguard the residential amenities of property in the vicinity.

7. When no longer required, the monopole and associated equipment/compound shall be permanently removed from the site.

Reason: In the interest of visual amenity.

8. No advertisement or advertisement structure shall be erected or displayed on the proposed structure or its appendages or within the curtilage of the site without a prior grant of planning permission.

Reason: In the interest of the visual amenities of the area.

9. The construction of the development shall be managed in accordance with a Construction Management Plan, which shall be submitted to, and agreed in writing with, the planning authority prior to commencement of development. This plan shall provide details of traffic management during the construction phase, details of intended construction practice for the development, including hours of working, noise management measures and off-site disposal of construction/demolition waste, as well as means to ensure that surface water run-off is controlled such that no silt or other pollutants enter local surface water drains.

Reason: In the interests of public safety and amenity.

10. Within six months of the date of cessation of use, the telecommunications structure and ancillary structures shall be removed and the site shall be reinstated at the developer's expense. Details relating to the removal and reinstatement shall be submitted to and agreed in writing with the planning authority prior to the date of cessation of the use of the structure.

Reinstatement shall be deemed to include the grubbing out of and replanting of the access track created in association with the development permitted herein.

Reason: In the interest of the visual amenities of the area.

Board Member

Date: 27/08/2020

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