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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 13/08/2020.

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 the character of the existing structure and to the established pattern, scale and architectural character of Westport Town Centre Architectural Conservation Area, it is considered that the proposed development, by way of its design in combination with the current shopfront, notwithstanding the revised proposals submitted with the appeal, would fail to integrate satisfactorily with the existing building. As a result, the proposed development would be obtrusive in impact and would set an undesirable precedent for similar development in the area. The proposed development would be contrary to the Architectural Heritage Protection Guidelines of the Department of Arts Heritage and the Gaeltacht 2011 and Policy TP-01 and Objective TO-02 of the Westport Town and Environs Development Plan 2010-2016 (as varied). The proposed development would therefore be contrary to the proper planning and development of the area.

Board Member

Date: 16/08/2020

John Connolly