

## Board Direction BD-007084-20 ABP-307328-20

The submissions on this file and the Inspector's report were considered at a Board meeting held on 02/12/2020.

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

## **Reasons and Considerations**

The proposed development is located on a locally important aquifer which is the source of public and private water supplies in the area. Having regard to the need to provide for the protection of the water supply sources, the need to maintain a high standard of water quality particularly in relation to the groundwaters and the provisions of the Offaly County Development Plan 2014 – 2020 to protect groundwater sources, to preserve the quality of surface water, groundwater and drinking water and to protect the county's waters from pollutions set out in the Policies and Objectives ENVP-03, ENVO-03 and ENVO-07, the Board is not satisfied on the basis of the information submitted that there is sufficient evidence to indicate that water quality and sources of water supply would not be compromised by the proposed spreading of slurry on land in the area. It is considered that the proposed development would be prejudicial to public health and would, therefore, be contrary to the proper planning and sustainable development of the area.

Board Member		Date:	02/12/2020
	Chris McGarry		