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**Board Direction**  
**BD-006666-20**  
**ABP-307494-20**

The submissions on this file and the Inspector's report were considered at a Board meeting held on 07/10/2020.

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 National Planning Objective 13 of the National Planning Framework, published by Government in February 2018 which states that planning and related standards on matters including car parking will be based on performance criteria that seek to achieve well-designed high quality outcomes, to Regional Policy Objectives 151 and 163 of the Regional Spatial and Economic Strategy for the Southern Region, which came into effect on the 31<sup>st</sup> day of January 2020 and which objectives relate to parking and sustainable transportation, and to the relevant provisions of the Kilkenny City and Environs Development Plan 2014-2020, including Section 3.4.3 which states as an objective, to continue to implement the provisions of Section 2 of the City Centre Local Area Plan 2005 in relation to matters including transportation and parking, it is considered that the proposed development would encourage the use of the private car for travel and commuting into the city centre area and would militate against the objective of reducing the modal share of private car travel and increasing the modal share of travel by walking, cycling, public transport, and the promotion of sustainable transportation. In this regard the proposed the development would be contrary to over-arching national policy, would be contrary to the relevant provisions of the Regional Spatial and Economic Strategy

for the Southern Region and would be contrary to the relevant provisions of the current Development Plan. The proposed development would, therefore, be contrary to the proper planning and sustainable development of the area.

**Board Member**

**Date:** 08/10/2020

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