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Pleanála

Board Direction
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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 for the following reasons and considerations.

Reasons and Considerations

Having regard to the planning history of the site and the documentation submitted with the application and appeal, the Board considers that the design of the proposed development and the development for which retention is sought, would not be reflective of an agricultural building and that, having regard to its overall scale, mass, finishes and materials, and notwithstanding the proposed reduction in height and the recent grant of planning permission of the Asphalt Batching Plant to the rear of the site, would result in a dominant and overbearing built form that would not fit appropriately or integrate effectively into this rural location. The proposed development would, as such, not assimilate satisfactorily into the receiving environment, would be contrary to DM Standard 33 of the Galway County Development Plan 2015-2021 and would seriously injure the visual amenities of the area and of property in the vicinity. The proposed development would, therefore, be contrary to the proper planning and sustainable development of the area.

In deciding not to accept the Inspector's recommendation to grant permission, the Board consider that, notwithstanding the proposed reduction in height and the recent grant of planning permission of the Asphalt Batching Plant to the rear of the site, the proposed development and the development for which retention is sought would have a negative visual impact in the wider landscape.

Board Member

Date: 03/12/2020

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