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Pleanála

Board Direction
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ABP-308661-20

The submissions on this file and the Inspector's report were considered at a Board meeting held on 24/03/2021.

The Board decided to allow the appeal and to direct the planning authority to grant a licence 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 the provisions of section 254 of the Planning and Development Act, 2000, as amended, national, regional and local policy objectives, as represented in the Galway City Development Plan, 2017-2023 and the DOEHLG Section 28 Statutory Guidelines; *Telecommunications Antennae and Support Structures: Guidelines for Planning Authorities*, 1996, as updated by circular letter PL 07/12 in 2012, it is considered that subject to compliance with the conditions set out below, the proposed development would not be visually intrusive or seriously injurious to the amenities of the area or to the residential amenities of properties in the vicinity, would not be prejudicial to public health and, would be in accordance with the proper planning and sustainable development of the area.

Conditions

1. The licence shall be valid for three years from the date of this order. The telecommunications structure and related ancillary structures including any access arrangements shall then be removed and the site lands shall be reinstated on removal of the telecommunications structure and ancillary structures unless, prior to the end of the period, planning permission shall have been granted for their retention for a further period.

Reason: To enable the impact of the development to be re-assessed, having regard to changes in technology and design during the specified period.

2. The transmitter power output, antenna type and mounting configuration shall be in accordance with the details submitted with this application for the Licence and notwithstanding the provisions of the Planning and Development Regulations 2001, and any statutory provision amending or replacing them, shall not be altered without a prior grant of planning permission.

Reason: To clarify the nature and extent of the permitted development to which this permission relates and to facilitate a full assessment of any future alterations.

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

Reason: In the interest of public health and to prevent flooding.

4. A low intensity fixed red obstacle light shall be fitted as close to the top of the mast as practicable and shall be visible from all angles in azimuth. Details of this light, its location and period of operation shall be submitted to, and agreed in writing with, the planning authority prior to commencement of development.

Reason: In the interest of public safety.

5. Details of the proposed colour scheme for the pole, antennas equipment containers and perimeter fencing shall be submitted to and agreed in writing with the planning authority prior to the commencement of development.

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

6. Landscaping of the site shall be carried out in accordance with a landscaping scheme which shall be submitted to and agreed in writing with planning authority prior to the commencement of development.

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

7. No advertisement or advertisement structure shall be erected or displayed on the proposed structure 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

Board Member

Date: 24/03/2021

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