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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 31/03/2021.

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

Reasons and Considerations

1. The proposed development of a new site entrance, by reason of its location along the regional road R168, a designated Protected Regional Route under the Louth County Development Plan 2015-2021, would contravene Policy TC10 of the Development Plan, which restricts the creation of new accesses onto Protected Regional Routes, subject to a series of exceptions. On the basis of the documentation submitted with the application and appeal, the Board is not satisfied that any such exceptions apply in this instance. In this regard the proposed development would be contrary to the provisions of Policy TC10 of the Louth County Development Plan 2015-2021, would be prejudicial to road safety at this location and would therefore, be contrary to the proper planning and sustainable development of the area.

2. On the basis of the documentation submitted with the application and appeal, the Board is not satisfied that the required minimum sight visibility can be provided in each direction along this regional route. The proposed development would therefore endanger public safety by reason of traffic hazard and would be contrary to the provisions of policy TC12, relating to visibility standards. The proposed development would, therefore, be contrary to the proper planning and sustainable development of the area.

3. On the basis of the documentation submitted with the application and appeal, the Board is not satisfied that adequate information has been provided to demonstrate how surface water drainage will be disposed of within the site and that such works would be compliant with Policy WS10 of the Louth County Development Plan 2015-2021, relating to sustainable drainage. The proposed development is, therefore, contrary to the proper planning and sustainable development of the area.

Board Member

Date: 01/04/2021

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