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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 04/06/2021.

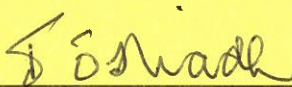
The Board decided to refuse permission, generally in accordance with the Inspector's recommendation, for the following reasons and considerations.

Reasons and Considerations

Having regard to the location of the site within an zoned RU in the current County Development Plan where policy Objective H22 restricts new or replacement dwellings on the basis of a genuine rural generated housing need and evidence of exceptional circumstances and, having regard to the provisions of the Sustainable Rural Housing Guidelines for Planning Authorities issued by the Department of the Environment, Heritage and Local Government in April 2005, objective RPO 4.80 of the Eastern and Midland Regional Spatial and Economic Strategy and National Policy Objective 19 of the National Planning Framework, which seek to manage the growth of areas that are under strong urban influence to avoid over-development and to ensure that the provision of single housing in rural areas under urban influence are provided based upon demonstrable economic or social need to live in a rural area, it is considered that the applicants have not demonstrated exceptional circumstances which would justify the grant of planning permission for a dwelling at this rural location as required by Policy H22 Objective 1 of the County Development Plan and, therefore, would not be in accordance with National Policy Objective 19 or Regional Spatial and Economic Strategy Objective RPO 4.80. The proposed development, in the absence of a demonstrable

economic or social need for the house, would contribute to the encroachment of random rural development in the area and would militate against the preservation of the rural environment and the efficient provision of public services and infrastructure. The proposed development would, therefore, be contrary to the proper planning and sustainable development of the area.

Board Member



Terry Ó Niadh

Date: 04/06/2021