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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 27/04/2021.

The Board decided to grant permission, for the following reasons and considerations, and subject to the following conditions.

Reasons and Considerations

In coming to its decision, the Board had regard to the following.

- Telecommunications Antennae and Support Structures - Guidelines for Planning Authorities (1996)
- Telecommunications Antennae and Support Structures and DoECLG Circular Letter PL07/12
- The objectives Kilkeny County Development Plan 2014-2020 and in particular:
 - Objective 9.4.2 Telecommunications Antennae
 - Objective 9.4.2.1 Telecommunications Antennae Development Management Standards
- The nature and scale of the proposed replacement telecoms monopole
- The submissions and observations received
- The decision of the planning authority
- The report of the Inspector

And considered that the proposed development, subject to compliance with the conditions as set out below, would achieve the objectives set out in National Policy under the Telecommunications Antennae and Support Structures - Guidelines for Planning Authorities (1996) and the Telecommunications Antennae and Support Structures and DoECLG Circular Letter PL07/12 and the Kilkenny County development plan under

9.4.2.1 Telecommunications Antennae Development Management Standards

When considering proposals for telecommunications masts, antennae and ancillary equipment, the Council will have regard to the following:

- a) the visual impact of the proposed equipment and access infrastructure on the natural or built environment, particularly in areas of sensitive landscape (See Chapter 8 Heritage) or historic importance;*
- b) the potential for co-location of equipment on existing masts; and*
- c) Telecommunications Antennae and Support Structures - Guidelines for Planning Authorities¹⁵⁶ and Circular Letter PL 07/12*

The Board was satisfied that the proposed development having regard to its limited nature and scale at the existing Eir Exchange would not seriously injure the residential amenities of adjoining properties and would not seriously injure the visual amenities of the area. The proposed development would, therefore, be in accordance with the proper planning and sustainable development of the area.

In deciding not to accept the Inspector's recommendation to refuse permission, the Board was satisfied that the proposed development , subject to compliance with the conditions set out below, would not seriously injure the visual amenities of the area, and would not seriously injure the residential amenities of the area and of property in the vicinity given the limited scale and height of the proposed structure and would be in accordance with National, Regional and Local Policy as set out in the reasons and considerations above.

Conditions

- 1 Plans and particulars.
- 2 Materials and finishes

Board Member

Paul Hyde

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