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**Board Direction**  
**BD-010581-22**  
**ABP-309530-21**

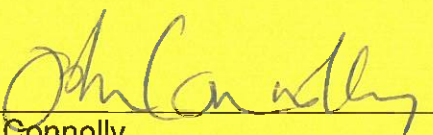
The submissions on this file (including the responses to the Board's s.132 and 131 notices) and the Inspector's report and addendum report were considered at a further Board meeting held on 27/04/2022.

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

#### **Reasons and Considerations**

The proposed development includes land regrading works immediately adjacent to the Ferganstown and Ballymacon stream, which are intended to provide compensatory flood storage. Insufficient information is provided as part of the application in relation to the proposed works and such works are not identified or assessed within the submitted Screening for Appropriate Assessment Report /Natura Impact Statement. The Board is therefore not satisfied, on the basis of the information provided with the application, including the Screening for Appropriate Assessment Report /Natura Impact Statement, and in response to the Board's s.132 notice, that the proposed development individually, or in combination with other plans or projects would not adversely affect the integrity of European site(s) including the River Boyne and River Blackwater SAC (002299) and the River Boyne and River Blackwater SPA (004232). In such circumstances the Board is precluded from granting approval/permission.

**Board Member**

  
John Connolly

**Date:** 27/04/2022