

Board Direction BD-008760-21 ABP-309785-21

The submissions on this file and the Inspector's report were considered at a Board meeting held on 20/07/2021.

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:

- a. The Telecommunications Antennae and Support Structures Guidelines for Planning Authorities, issued by the Department of Environment and Local Government in 1996,
- b. The Telecommunications Antennae and Support Structures and Department and Environment, Community and Local Government Circular Letter PL07/12,
- c. The objectives of the Limerick County Development Plan 2010 2016,
- d. The nature and scale and location of the proposed telecommunication structure
- e. The submissions and observations received,
- f. And the decision of the planning authority.

and considered that the proposed development, subject to compliance with the conditions set out below, would achieve the objectives set out in National Policy and the Limerick County Development Plan 2010 - 2016. It is considered that the proposed development would not seriously injure the visual or residential amenities of the area and would otherwise 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 having regard to its location within an existing and established Eircom telecommunications site, its function as an upgrade of an existing communications installation, and the lack of suitable alternative location due to the nature of the land in the area, that proposed development was located in a suitable and appropriate location for the purposes of providing 3G and 4G coverage in the area. Furthermore, the Board noted availability of the proposed mast for co-location in the future in accordance with National Policy.

Conditions

1. The development shall be carried out and completed in accordance with the plans and particulars lodged with the application, as amended by the further plans and particulars submitted on the 10th day of February 2020, except as may otherwise be required in order to comply with the following conditions. Where such conditions require details to be agreed with the planning authority, the developer shall agree such details in writing with the planning authority prior to commencement of development and the development shall be carried out and completed in accordance with the agreed particulars.

Reason: In the interest of clarity.

The proposed mast and all associated antennas, equipment and fencing shall be demolished and removed from site when it is no longer required. The site shall be reinstated to its predevelopment condition at the expense of the developer.

Reason: In the interest of orderly development.

 The antennae type and mounting configuration shall be in accordance with the details submitted with this application, 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.

4. PA Condition number 10

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

Reason: In the interest of public health.

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

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

 Landscaping of the site shall be carried out in accordance with a landscaping scheme, which 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.

9. The construction of the development shall be managed in accordance with a Construction Management Plan, which shall be submitted to, and agreed in

writing with, the planning authority prior to commencement of development. This plan shall provide details of intended construction practice for the development, including hours of working, noise management measures, site-specific measures for handling surface water, and traffic management measures.

Reason: In the interests of public safety and residential amenity.

Board Member

Date: 21/07/2021

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