

## **Board Direction** BD-009375-21 ABP-310395-21

The submissions on this file and the Inspector's report were considered at a Board meeting held on 05/11/2021.

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 is located in an area zoned for town centre uses in the current Wexford Town Development Plan where the objective is to provide for and improve retailing, commercial, office, cultural and other uses in the town centre. The provision of public paid parking contributes significantly to the achievement of this objective and the proposed new vehicular access would require the removal of a public paid parking space thereby undermining the zoning objective to protect town centre uses. The Board is not satisfied that the proposed new vehicular access is justified on traffic safety grounds and the proposed development would, therefore, be contrary to the provisions of the Wexford Town Development Plan and the proper planning and sustainable development of the area.

**Board Member** 

Paul Hyde

Date: 05/11/2021