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**Board Direction**  
**BD-009699-21**  
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At a meeting held on 20/12/2021, the Board considered the objections made to the compulsory acquisition of the derelict site at Bridge Street, Knocklong, County Limerick, the report of the Inspector and the documents and submissions on file generally.

The Board decided to refuse consent to the compulsory acquisition of the site, based on the reasons and considerations set out below.

**Reasons and Considerations**

Having regard to the derelict state of the buildings on the site, as distinct from the adjoining lands to the side and rear of these buildings, and to their neglected, unsightly and objectionable condition, the Board considers that the buildings detract to a material degree from the amenity, character and appearance of land in the neighbourhood and, therefore, come within the definition of a derelict site as set out in Section 3(a) and (b) of the Derelict Sites Act 1990, as amended. However, the Board also considers that the owner has shown some willingness to attend to the dereliction on site and, while the more substantive issue of the derelict state of the buildings remains outstanding, planning permissions have been obtained that, if implemented, would ensure that the dereliction is remedied. Accordingly, the Board considers that it would be appropriate to afford the owner the opportunity to do so and so, in these circumstances, it would be premature to confirm the Local Authority's compulsory acquisition of the site at this time.

Board Member:

  
Dave Walsh

Date: 20/12/2021