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Board Direction
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The submissions on this file and the Inspector's report were considered at a Board meeting held on 18/11/2022.

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

Reasons and Considerations

Having regard to:

- Objective UTL 16 of the Waterford City and County Development Plan 2022-2028, which supports the provision of broadband/telecoms infrastructure subject to environmental considerations,
- Telecommunications Antennae and Support Structures; Guidelines for Planning Authorities, DOE 1996, which recognises that it may be necessary to locate such infrastructure in towns and villages and advises that existing utility sites should be considered along with site specific design,
- the location of the development site, an existing telecoms exchange facility, outside the proposed Architectural Conservation Area for Stradbally; it's location at some distance from residential properties; and the adjacent mature screen planting,
- the proposed monopole design, including the shrouded top and the green finish,

It is considered that, subject to compliance with the following conditions, the proposed development would not adversely impact the heritage value and special character of Stradbally Village or be seriously injurious to the visual or residential amenities of the area. The proposed development would, therefore, be in accordance with the proper planning and sustainable development of the area.

Conditions

1. The development shall be carried out and completed in accordance with the plans and particulars lodged with the application, 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.

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

Reason: In the interest of public health.

3. The developer shall allow, subject to reasonable terms, other licensed mobile telecommunications operators to co-locate their antennae onto the subject structure.

Reason: In order to avoid the proliferation of telecommunications structures in the interest of visual amenity.

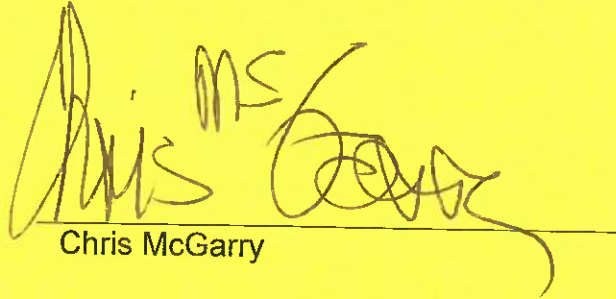
4. Details of the specific colour finish for the telecommunications structure shall be submitted to and agreed in writing with the planning authority prior to commencement of development.

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

5. On decommissioning of the telecommunications structure, the structure and all ancillary structures shall be removed and the site reinstated at the developer's expense.

Reason: In the interest of clarity.

Board Member



Chris McGarry

Date: 21/11/2022

