

Board Direction BD-010171-22 ABP-310843-21

The submissions on this file and the Inspector's report were considered at a Board meeting held on 04/03/2022.

The Board decided to refuse permission for the following reasons and considerations.

## 1.0 Reasons and Considerations

1. The proposed development fails to comply with the G1 zoning objective which applies to the site under the Meath County Development Plan 2021-2027, under which it is an objective 'To provide for necessary community, social and educational facilities.' Given the scale of the proposed development, which is predominantly residential, on a landbank the entirety of which is zoned Community Infrastructure, it is considered that the proposed development would not be compatible with the overall objective for the zoned area. Furthermore, to permit residential development on the site would fail to comply with the Core Strategy of the County Development plan, which outlines that 'in order to ensure towns and villages grow at a suitable and sustainable scale...measures must be put in place to ensure that the quantum and scale of residential development that will take place in urban centres complies with that shown in Table 2.12. The proposed development would, therefore, be contrary to the core strategy of the county development plan and would be contrary to the proper planning and sustainable development of the area.

In deciding not to accept the Inspector's recommendation to grant permission, the Board considered hat the proposed development was not compatible with the G1 zoning objective for the site.

Board Member 4.6 Madh

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Date: 04/03/2022