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**Board Direction
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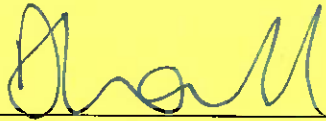
The submissions on this file and the Inspector's report were considered at a Board meeting held on 21/09/2022.

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

Reasons and Considerations

1. Having regard to the Agriculture / High Amenity zoning of the site within the Westport and Environs Development Plan 2010-2016 as extended, the objective of which is to protect this area from development other than permitted agricultural uses and to protect the landscape character of the area, it is considered that the proposed development which is commercial in nature would not be a permissible use, would contravene materially the said zoning objective and would be contrary to the proper planning and sustainable development of the area.
2. Having regard to the location of the site on a minor road L1815 and the siting of the proposed entrance within 90m of the junction with the N59 National Secondary Route, it is considered that the proposed development and the additional traffic generated by it would fail to meet the required 200m distance from the national road junction, as prescribed in section 78 of the Mayo County Development Plan 2022-2028, with specific reference to Table 5. Accordingly, the proposed development would endanger public safety by reason of traffic hazard and obstruction of road users due to the movement of the extra traffic generated and would, therefore, be contrary to the proper planning and sustainable development of the area.

Board Member



Dave Walsh

Date: 21/09/2022