

**Board Direction BD-011573-22 ABP-311163-21** 

The submissions on this file and the Inspector's report were considered at a Board meeting held on 15/12/2022.

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

## Reasons and Considerations

Having regard to the provisions of the Kilkenny City and Council Development Plan including Objective C5F which seeks to implement strategies to meet the modal share targets and Objective C5G which seeks to achieve a modal shift away from the private car to walking or cycling in accordance with the targets set out in Table 4.2 for Kilkenny City and in the absence of an evidence based justification for the need to deliver the quantum of car parking proposed for a period of five years at this location, it is considered that the proposed development would militate against these targets and objectives which are considered reasonable. It is also considered that the proposed development would be contrary to supporting national and regional planning policies that aim for a greater modal share of sustainable and active travel modes. The proposed development would, therefore, be contrary to the proper planning and sustainable development of the area.

**Board Member** 

Patricia Calleary

Date: 19/12/2022