

Board Direction BD-009892-22 ABP-311533-21

The submissions on this file and the Inspector's report were considered at a Board meeting held on 28/01/2022.

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

1.0 Reasons and Considerations

Having regard to the topography of the site, the elevated positioning of the proposed development together with its depth and scale, the resulting extensive driveway and the lack of screening, it is considered that the proposed development would form a discordant and obtrusive feature on the landscape at this location, would seriously injure the visual amenities of the area, would fail to be adequately absorbed and integrated into the landscape, and would militate against the preservation of the rural environment. As such it is considered that a proposed dwelling at this location would set an undesirable precedent for other such prominently located development in the vicinity. The proposed development would, therefore, be contrary to the proper planning and sustainable development of the area.

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