

Board Direction BD-010346-22 ABP-311625-21

The submissions on this file and the Inspector's report were considered at a Board meeting held on 24/03/2022.

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

Reasons and Considerations

Having regard to the established agricultural use of the land and its location within a rural area, the character and pattern of development in the area, the nature and scale of the proposed development, and the relevant provisions of the Donegal County Development Plan 2018-2024, it is considered that, subject to compliance with the conditions set out below, the proposed development would not seriously injure the visual or residential amenities of the area or the amenities of property in the vicinity, would not endanger public safety by reason of pedestrian and traffic hazard and would not pose a risk of environmental pollution. 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 on 2nd June 2021, as amended by proposals submitted on 26th August 2021, 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.

- Water supply and drainage arrangements for the site, including the disposal of surface and soiled water, shall comply with the requirements of the planning authority for such works and services. In this regard -
 - (a) uncontaminated surface water run-off shall be disposed of directly in a sealed system, and
 - (b) all soiled waters shall be directed to a storage tank.

Drainage details shall be submitted to and agreed in writing with the planning authority, prior to commencement of development.

Reason: In the interest of environmental protection and public health.

- 3. The slatted shed shall be used only in strict accordance with a management schedule which shall be submitted to and agreed in writing with the planning authority, prior to commencement of development. The management schedule shall be in accordance with the European Union (Good Agricultural Practice for Protection of Waters) (Amendment) Regulations, 2017, as amended, and shall provide at least for the following:
 - (a) Details of the number and types of animals to be housed.
 - (b) The arrangements for the collection, storage and disposal of slurry.
 - (c) Arrangements for the cleansing of the buildings and structures.

Reason: In order to avoid pollution and to protect residential amenity.

4. All foul effluent and slurry generated by the proposed development and in the farmyard shall be conveyed through properly constructed channels to the proposed and existing storage facilities and no effluent or slurry shall discharge or be allowed to discharge to any stream, river or watercourse, or to the public road.

Reason: In the interest of public health.

5. All uncontaminated roof water from buildings and clean yard water shall be separately collected and discharged in a sealed system to existing drains, streams or adequate soakpits and shall not discharge or be allowed to discharge to the foul effluent drains, foul effluent and slurry storage tanks or to the public road.

Reason: In order to ensure that the capacity of effluent and storage tanks is reserved for their specific purposes.

6. Slurry generated by the proposed development shall be disposed of by spreading on land, or by other means acceptable in writing to the planning authority. The location, rate and time of spreading (including prohibited times for spreading) and the buffer zones to be applied shall be in accordance with the requirements of the European Union (Good Agricultural Practice for Protection of Waters) (Amendment) Regulations, 2017, as amended.

Reason: To ensure the satisfactory disposal of waste material, in the interest of amenity, public health and to prevent pollution of watercourses.

7. The capacity of storage facilities for manure shall be in accordance with Article 12 of the European Union (Good Agricultural Practice for Protection of Waters) (Amendment) Regulations, 2017, as amended. Prior to commencement of development, details showing how it is intended to comply with this requirement shall be submitted to and agreed in writing with the planning authority.

Reason: In the interest of environmental protection and public health.

8. The vehicular access to the site and the achievable sightlines shall be constructed and maintained in accordance with the site layout plan submitted to the planning authority on the 26th August 2021. The existing trees along the roadside boundary shall be removed and the sight lines indicated shall be permanently maintained and kept free from vegetation or other obstructions.

Reason: In the interests of traffic safety

9. The developer shall pay to the planning authority a financial contribution in respect of public infrastructure and facilities benefiting development in the area of the planning authority that is provided or intended to be provided by or on behalf of the authority in accordance with the terms of the Development Contribution Scheme made under section 48 of the Planning and Development Act 2000. The contribution shall be paid prior to the commencement of development or in such phased payments as the planning authority may facilitate and shall be subject to any applicable indexation provisions of the Scheme at the time of payment. Details of the application of the terms of the Scheme shall be agreed between the planning authority and the developer or, in default of such agreement, the matter shall be referred to the Board to determine the proper application of the terms of the Scheme.

Reason: It is a requirement of the Planning and Development Act 2000 that a condition requiring a contribution in accordance with the Development Contribution Scheme made under section 48 of the Act be applied to the permission.

| Board Member | Maria | Intz Gerald | Date: | |
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