

Board Direction BD-012035-23 ABP-312227-21

The submissions on this file and the Inspector's report were considered at a Board meeting held on 19/04/2023.

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

Reasons and Considerations

The Board considered that the proposed development, providing for tourism accommodation located on a site outside of an established settlement and with vehicular access via an existing entrance off the R463, would result in additional traffic movements at this location. Objective CDP8.5 of the Clare County Development Plan 2017-2023 (as varied) restricts development to certain criteria; namely development of strategic importance, dwellings for established landowners and developments within settlement boundaries/50km/hr speed limit zones in order to maintain and protect the carrying capacity and efficiency of roads. Accordingly, it is considered that the proposed development would contravene the Plan and endanger public safety by reason of traffic hazard due to the additional traffic turning movements that would be generated at a point where the general speed limit of 80 km/h applies.

Board Member

Date: 19/04/2023