

## S9 Board Direction BD-013910-23 ABP-312488-22

The submissions on this file and the Inspector's report were considered at a Board meeting held on 26/09/2023

The Board determined, generally in accordance with the Inspector's recommendation, that, based on the information before it, the site was not a vacant site within the meaning of the Urban Regeneration and Housing Act, 2015, as amended, for the period concerned, as set out in the entry in the Vacant Sites Register, for the following reasons and considerations.

## **Reasons and Considerations**

Having regard to:

- (a) the information submitted before the Board by the planning authority in relation to the entry of the site on the Vacant Sites Register,
- (b) the grounds of appeal submitted by the appellant,
- (c) the report of the Senior Planning Inspector, and
- (d) the ongoing use of the site as a car park, but that such use shall be disregarded as an unauthorised use and thus the site is vacant or idle; however, the site being vacant or idle has no adverse effects on existing amenities or reduces the amenity provided by existing public infrastructure and facilities (within the meaning of section 48 of the Planning and

ABP-312488-22 Board Direction Page 1 of 2

Development Act 2000, as amended) in the area in which the site is situated or has no adverse effects on the character of the area because the site is not neglected or ruinous, anti-social behaviour is or was not taking place and there is no evidence to suggest that there has been a reduction in the number of habitable houses, or the number of people living, in the area, and whether or not these matters were affected by the existence of such vacant or idle land,

The Board considers that it is appropriate that a notice be issued to the Planning Authority who shall cancel the entry on the Vacant Sites Register.

Board Member Jakicia Callean Date: 27/09/2023
Patricia Calleary