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**Board Direction**  
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**ABP-312781-22**

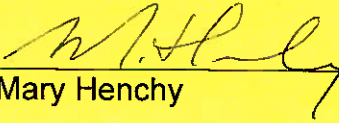
The submissions on this file and the Inspector's report were considered at a Board meeting held on 02/11/2023.

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 nature of the proposal to dispose of inert waste on fertile agricultural land, it is considered that the proposed development would constitute an inappropriate use of productive land, would constitute unsustainable development, and would be unacceptable in principle. Furthermore, it is considered the documentation submitted with the application lacks clarity in relation to the environmental impacts from the proposed movement and deposition of materials, inter alia, dust, noise and vibration, and the Board is not satisfied, on the basis of the information provided that the proposed development would not be likely to have significant adverse impacts on the environment and residential amenity of adjoining dwellings. It is therefore considered that the proposed development would contravene Strategic Objective RUR DEV SO 7 of the Planning Authority, as set out in the Meath County Development 2021-2027, as varied, which seeks "to support the continuing viability of agriculture...in the context of sustainable development and the management of environmental resources" and would therefore be contrary to the proper planning and sustainable development of the area.

**Board Member**

  
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Mary Henchy

**Date:** 16/11/2023