

Board Direction BD-012328-23 ABP-313084-22

The submissions on this file and the Inspector's report were considered at a Board meeting held on 31/05/2023.

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

Reasons and Considerations

- 1. The proposed development would materially contravene condition number 4 of the planning authority's decision to grant permission under planning register reference number 93/258, which states that no signage shall be erected above ground floor level, in that the position of the two signs proposed in the application is on the upper facades above the ground floor level of the existing building. It is considered that the proposed development would, therefore, be contrary to the proper planning and sustainable development of the area.
- 2. Having regard to the size and scale of the proposed signs relative to the existing building which would be excessive, and the proposed location on the upper facades on which they are to be displayed, it is considered that the proposed signs would be visually obtrusive and prominent in views from the public realm, notably the N6/ Headford Road. As a result, the proposed development would be contrary to sections 11.6 and 11.9.1 of the Galway City

Development Plan 2023-2029 and would, therefore, be contrary to the proper planning and sustainable development of the area.

Board Member Famous PM Eamonn Patrick Kelly

Date: 01/06/2023