

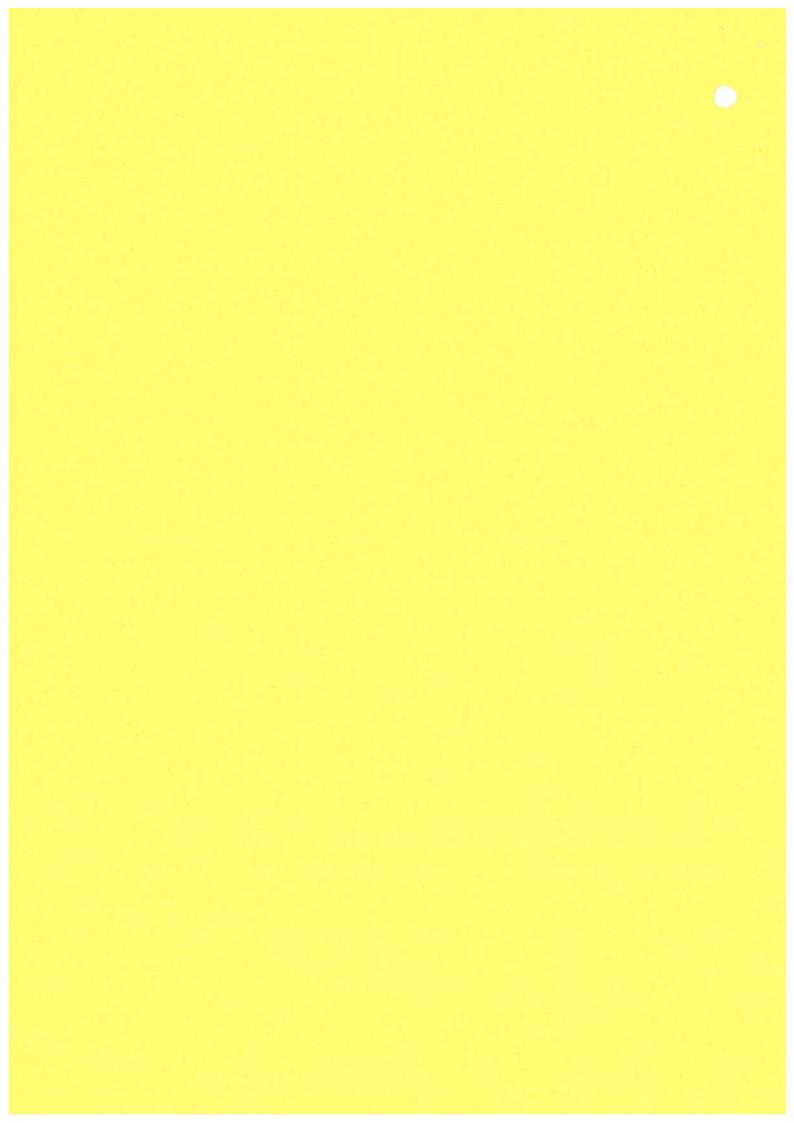
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The submissions on this file and the Inspector's report were considered at a Board meeting held on 14/06/2023.

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

Reasons and Considerations

The proposed development would provide for a lattice telecommunications structure and associated equipment within a restricted site adjacent to an area of commercial forestry and along a designated scenic route with designated views as set out in the Mayo County Development Plan 2022-2028, whereby it is policy of Mayo County Council as per policy NEP-14 to protect enhance and contribute to the physical visual and scenic character of Co Mayo and to preserve its unique landscape character. This policy is considered reasonable. Notwithstanding the technical justification provided for the proposed development, the Board is not satisfied, based on the information provided with the application and the appeal, that the proposed development, by virtue of its siting alongside a scenic route with designated views would not result in an obtrusive and incongruous form of development which would seriously injure the visual amenity of the area and would, therefore, be contrary to the proper planning and sustainable development of the area.



Board Member

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Date: 15/06/2023

