

Board Direction BD-013045-23 ABP-313271-22

The submissions on this file and the Inspector's report were considered at a Board meeting held on 26/07/2023.

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 endanger public safety by reason of a traffic hazard due to the vehicular turning movements that would arise by the proposed delivery entrance located on an existing laneway and right-of-way. In addition, the amended proposals received by the Board at appeal stage rely on permanent egress from the site for delivery vehicles through lands which appear to be in private ownership and therefore outside of the control of the Applicant. The proposed development would be contrary to Objective IT8 of the Arklow and Environs Local Area Plan 2018-2014 which seeks to facilitate the operation and free flow of traffic in a safe manner in the town centre location and the associated provisions of the Wicklow County Development Plan 2022 – 2028. Accordingly, the proposed development would be contrary to the proper planning and sustainable development of the area.

Board Member Alfrica Calleary Date: 26/07/2023
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