

Board Direction BD-013844-23 ABP-313354-22

At a meeting held on 21/09/2023, the Board considered:

- (a) the objections made to the Compulsory Purchase Order,
- (b) the report of the Inspector and
- (c) the documents and submissions on file generally.

The Board decided to confirm the Order with modifications to the Deposit Maps and Schedules based on the reasons and considerations set out below.

Reasons and Considerations

Having considered the objections made to the Compulsory Purchase Order, and not withdrawn, the report and recommendation of the Inspector and having regard to the following:

- (a) The community need, public interest served and overall benefits to be achieved from the proposed development;
- (b) The chosen location of works which constitutes a design response that is proportionate to the identified need;

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(c) The policies and objectives of the Donegal County Development Plan 2018-2024 and the Seven Strategic Towns Local Area Plan 2018-2024;

(d) The submissions received;

it is considered that, subject to the modifications as set out in the Schedule below, the acquisition of permanent and temporary areas and creation of wayleaves by Donegal County Council on the lands in question, as set out in the order and on the deposited maps, are necessary for the purposes stated.

SCHEDULE

The compulsory purchase order (Deposit Maps and Schedules) shall be modified as follows:

Plot 06B: The lands in Plot No.06B shall be omitted from the Order.

Plot 07B: The lands in Plot No.07B shall be omitted from the Order.

Plot 01H: The lands in Plot No.01H shall be omitted from the Order.

Reason: To amend the extent of acquisition where it is considered that land surplus to the identified project has been included but is not required.

In not agreeing with the Inspector to include Plot 06B, Plot 07B and Plot 01H in the CPO Order the Board noted that there are no works proposed to be carried out on these lands under the approved Stranorlar Multi Use Sports Facility Improvement Project (ABP Ref.312985-22). The lands within Plot 06B, Plot 07B and Plot 01H are, therefore, not required for the project. Furthermore, the Board carried out an appropriate assessment on the project, based on the submitted Natura Impact Statement and other relevant particulars, and on the basis that no works are proposed south of the proposed synthetic multi all-weather pitch.

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