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**Board Direction**  
**BD-013002-23**  
**ABP-313561-22**

The submissions on this file and the Inspector's report were considered at a Board meeting held on 17/07/2023.

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

#### **Reasons and Considerations**

Having regard to the provisions of Section 254 of the Planning and Development Act 2000 as amended, to the existing poor pedestrian environment and restricted road width in the vicinity of the site, and to the nature and extent of the development, it is considered that the proposed development would obstruct the public footpath and force pedestrians onto the public road, thereby causing a potential conflict between pedestrians and vehicular traffic close to a sharp bend in the road. The Board is not satisfied, therefore, that the proposed placement of street furniture and associated structures at this location would not endanger pedestrian safety and interfere with the free movement of pedestrians in the vicinity of the site, which would give rise to a traffic hazard, and would not be in accordance with policy objective KS-GO-07 the Cork County Development Plan 2022-2028 which seeks to enhance walking and cycling facilities in the town. The proposed development would, therefore, be contrary to the proper planning and sustainable development of the area.

**Board Member**

Peter Mullan

**Date:** 24/07/2023