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Board Direction
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The submissions on this file and the Inspector's report were considered at a Board meeting held on 06/10/2023.

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

Reasons and Considerations

Having regard to the site location within the Eastern Uplands Landscape Character Area and the East Kildare Uplands Area of High Amenity, the provisions of the Kildare County Development Plan, 2023 – 2029 which aim to protect and enhance the county's landscape and to preserve existing trees, woodlands and hedgerows so as to protect and enhance biodiversity and landscape features, with particular reference to Objectives. TM O102 & BI O26, and noting the agricultural access arrangements already in place to the lands in question, it is not considered that a demonstratable case has been made in accordance with the requirements of the Development Plan which would warrant the removal of the existing roadside boundary trees and hedgerow necessary to facilitate the proposed development. The Board is not satisfied that the proposed development would not seriously injure the visual amenities of this sensitive rural landscape and, therefore, the proposed development would be contrary to the proper planning and sustainable development of the area.

Board Member


Liam Bergin

Date: 06/10/2023