

Board Direction BD-014362-23 ABP-314268-22

The submissions on this file and the Inspector's report were considered at a Board meeting held on 27/10/2023.

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 deficiencies in the standard of wastewater treatment in the Lahinch Wastewater Treatment System, and, notwithstanding the indication from Irish Water of their intention to upgrade the Lahinch Wastewater Treatment System as part of a programme to provide improved wastewater treatment for the development of new homes, it is considered that, pending clarity and certainty on the timelines to progress the upgrade through design, planning and all relevant consents, the proposed development would be premature by reason of the existing deficiency in the provision of wastewater treatment facilities in the area, would lead to further demands on the wastewater treatment system, and would likely give rise to a risk to public health. The proposed development would, therefore, be contrary to the proper planning and sustainable development of the area.

Board Member

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