

**Board Direction BD-015322-24 ABP-314461-22** 

The submissions on this file and the Inspector's report were considered at a Board meeting held on 01/02/2024.

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

- (a) existing constraints in capacity in the electricity network (grid),
- (b) the lack of significant on-site renewable energy to power the proposed development,
- (c) the lack of a fixed connection agreement to connect to the grid and the lack of evidence provided in relation to engagement with EirGrid,
- (d) the lack of evidence provided in relation to the applicant's engagement with Power Purchase Agreements (PPAs) in Ireland

the Board is not satisfied that the applicant has demonstrated the proposed use, on EE zoned lands, is in accordance with EDE7 objective 2 and section 12.9.4 of the South Dublin County Development Plan 2022-2028.

The proposed development is, therefore, considered contrary to national, regional and local policy on energy and climate resilience and adaptability and would be contrary to the proper planning and sustainable development of the area.

**Board Member** 

Mick Long

Date: 02/02/2024

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