

**Board Direction BD-015163-24 ABP-314854-22** 

The submissions on this file and the Inspector's report were considered at a Board meeting held on 23/01/2024.

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 excessive scale, bulk and floorspace of the domestic shed sought to be retained and in the context of the substantial existing domestic garages/storage structures on site, it is considered that the structure comprises an inappropriate form of development that would seriously injure the amenities of this rural area. The development is considered to contravene policy objectives RD3, AD3 and DM Standard 6 of the Galway County Development Plan 2022 which seeks that the built form of new development assimilates appropriately and integrates effectively into this rural landscape. Accordingly, to permit the development would contravene these policy objectives and development management standards contained within the Development Plan, would militate against the preservation of the rural environment, would establish an undesirable precedent for future similar development in the area and would, therefore, be contrary to the proper planning and sustainable development of the area.

**Board Member** 

Date: 23/01/2024

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