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**Board Direction**  
**BD-014332-23**  
**ABP-314891-22**

The submissions on this file and the Inspector's report were considered at a Board meeting held on 26/10/2023.

The Board decided to direct the planning authority to grant a licence generally in accordance with the Inspector's recommendation, for the following reasons and considerations, and subject to the following conditions.

### **Reasons and Considerations**

Having regard to the provisions of Longford County Development Plan 2021 - 2027, the existing pattern of development in the area, and the nature and scale of the proposed development, it is considered that subject to compliance with the conditions set out below, the proposed development would not seriously injure the amenities of the area, or of property in the area, or give rise to a traffic or pedestrian hazard. The proposed development would, therefore, be in accordance with the proper planning and sustainable development of the area.

The Board concurred with the Inspector that the development is a project for the purposes of the EIA Directive. However, the Board concluded that the proposed development does not fall within a class of development set out in Part 1 or Part 2 of Schedule 5 to the Planning and Development Regulations 2001, as amended, and therefore no preliminary examination, screening for EIA or EIA is required.

### **Conditions**

1. The development shall be carried out and completed in accordance with the plans and particulars lodged with the application, except as may otherwise be required in

order to comply with the following conditions. Where such conditions require details to be agreed with the planning authority, the developer shall agree such details in writing with the planning authority prior to commencement of development and the development shall be carried out and completed in accordance with the agreed particulars.

**Reason:** In the interest of clarity.

2. The maximum height of the telecommunications street pole shall not exceed 15.0 m and the maximum width of the structure shall not exceed 360mm as measured in Drawing number SR-1280-103A as received by the planning authority on the 13<sup>th</sup> August 2021.

**Reason:** In the interest of the visual amenity of the area and the proper planning and sustainable development of the area.

3. (a) This permission shall apply for a period of five years from the date of this order. The telecommunications structure and related ancillary structures shall then be removed unless, prior to the end of the period, permission shall have been granted for their retention for a further period.

(b) The site shall be reinstated on removal of the telecommunications structure and ancillary structures. Details relating to the removal and reinstatement shall be submitted to and agreed in writing with the planning authority at least one month before the date of expiry of this permission.

**Reason:** To enable the impact of the development to be re-assessed, having regard to changes in technology and design during the specified period.

4. Notwithstanding the provisions of the Planning and Development Regulations 2001, and any statutory provision amending or replacing them, the telecommunication structures shall not be altered and no additional apparatus shall be attached, without written approval.

**Reason:** To clarify the nature and extent of the permitted development to which this permission relates and to facilitate a full assessment of any future alterations.

5. The public road shall not be adversely affected by the works with regard to pavement, obstructions, road operation, footpaths, verges, drainage or public lighting.

**Reason:** In the interests of traffic safety and amenity of the area.

6. The proposed cabinets and pole shall be maintained regularly and shall be kept graffiti free.

**Reason:** In the interests of visual amenity of the area.

**Board Member**

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**Date:** 26/10/2023

