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The submissions on this file and the Inspector's report were considered at a Board meeting held on 26/01/2024.

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 submissions made in connection with the planning application and the appeal, the proposed development situated in Raheen Business Park which has a surface water outfall at Loughmore Canal, the Limerick City and County Development Plan 2022-2028 and Objective IN O12(h) requiring all planning applications to include surface water design calculations to establish the suitability of drainage between the site and the outfall point and requiring all new development to include SuDS to control surface water outfall, the Board considered as insufficient the information presented by the applicant as to whether the surface water drainage system as proposed would not give rise to a heightened risk of additional flooding on lands including downstream of Loughmore Canal.

Board Member Famon James Welly Date: 29/01/2024

Eamonn James Kelly

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## <u>Note</u>

The Board broadly concurred with the recommendation of the Inspector; however, the Board considered that IN O12(h) of the development plan remained a more relevant consideration for this new development proposal in Raheen Business Park being situated outside and at a higher level than the flood zone associated with the Rootiagh Stream.