

**Board Direction BD-016447-24 ABP-315047-22** 

The submissions on this file and the Inspector's report were considered at a Board meeting held on 29/05/2024.

The Board decided to refuse permission, generally in accordance with the Inspector's recommendation, for the following reasons and considerations.

## **Reasons and Considerations**

- 1. The proposed development would contravene development section 10.1.6 and 10.1.7 of the Kilkenny City and County Development Plan 2021-2027, which states that development in all main settlements is required to connect to public wastewater treatment facilities subject to sufficient capacity being available, having regard to the current lack of capacity and plans for investment in Uisce Eireann wastewater infrastructure. The proposed development is therefore considered contrary to the proper planning, environmental and sustainable development of the area.
- 2. The Board is not satisfied on the basis of the information submitted, in particular the Site Characterisation Report, that the site assessment has been carried out in accordance with the requirements of the EPA 2021, Code of Practice with specific regard to the percolation tests and therefore cannot be satisfied that the proposed development would not have any adverse impacts on groundwater quality. The proposed development is therefore contrary to the proper planning, environmental and sustainable development of the area.

**Board Member** 

Mick Long

Date: 30/05/2024

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