

Board Direction BD-015219-24 ABP-315588-23

The submissions on this file and the Inspector's report were considered at a Board meeting held on 24/01/2024.

The Board decided to grant permission, for the following reasons and considerations, and subject to the following conditions.

Reasons and Considerations

Having regard to:

- (a) National Planning Framework 2018,
- (b) the current Cork County Development Plan 2022,
- (c) the national strategy regarding telecommunications infrastructure
- (d) the Telecommunications Antennae and Support Structure Guidelines for Planning Authorities 1996 and Circular Letter PL07/12,
- (e) the existing telecoms infrastructure on the site and the established use of the site for telecommunications purposes, and
- (f) the scale and design of the proposed development,
- (g) the decision of the planning authority

it is considered that, subject to compliance with the conditions set out below, the proposed development within the development boundary of Kilbrittain village on an existing telecommunications exchange site would not seriously, or disproportionately, injure the amenities of the area or of property in the vicinity, would not be prejudicial to public health and would, therefore, be in accordance with the proper planning and sustainable development of the area.

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In deciding not to accept the Inspector's recommendation to refuse permission, the Board considered that the siting of the telecommunications structure within an existing telecommunications exchange site was appropriate and that the proposed development would not seriously injure the visual and residential amenities and would not seriously, or disproportionately detract from obstruct or degrade the Scenic Route S68.

1.0 Conditions

1. The development shall be carried out and completed in accordance with the plans and particulars lodged with the application and the appeal, 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. In the event of the proposed structures becoming obsolete and being decommissioned, the developers shall, at their own expense remove the telecommunications structures and associated equipment.

Reason: In the interest of orderly development.

3. The antennae type and mounting configuration shall be in accordance with the details submitted with this application and the appeal and shall not exceed 15m in height, and notwithstanding the provisions of the Planning and Development Regulations 2001, and any statutory provision amending or replacing them, shall not be altered without a prior grant of planning permission.

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

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Details of the proposed material finish/colour scheme for the telecommunications structure and ancillary structures (which shall closely reflect the existing appearance of the roof) shall be submitted to, and agreed in writing with, the planning authority prior to the commencement of the development.

Reason: In the interest of the visual amenities of the area.

5. No advertisement or advertisement structure shall be erected or displayed on the proposed structure or its appendages without a prior grant of planning permission.

Reason: In the interest of the visual amenities of the area.

The developer shall provide and make available, subject to reasonable 6. terms, the proposed support structure for the provision of mobile telecommunications antenna of third party licenced telecommunications operators.

Reason: In the interest of avoidance of multiplicity of telecommunications structures in the area, in the interest of visual amenity and the proper planning and sustainable development of the area.

Board Member

Date: 26/01/2024

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