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**Board Direction**  
**BD-012329-23**  
**ABP-315706-23**

The submissions on this file and the Inspector's report were considered at a Board meeting held on 31/05/2023.

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 a) the site's location in an area designated as Visually Sensitive in the Kerry County Development Plan 2022-2028; b) the height, scale and location of the proposed development in a rural coastal location area that is visually scenic in character; c) the guidelines relating to telecommunications antennae and support structures which were issued by the Department of the Environment and Local Government to planning authorities in July, 1996 and d), the proximity of the Lower Shannon SAC as well as the River Shannon and River Fergus Estuaries SPA, it is considered that the proposed development would be visually obtrusive and would seriously injure the visual amenities of the area and areas designated as visually sensitive in the Kerry County Development Plan 2022-2028 and would, therefore, contravene objectives KCDP 11-77, and KCDP 11-78 and KCDP 14-80 of the Kerry County Development Plan 2022-2028 the provisions of which are considered reasonable. The proposed development would, therefore, be contrary to the proper planning and sustainable development of the area.

**Board Member**

  
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Joe Boland

**Date:** 01/06/2023

