

## **Board Direction BD-017274-24 ABP-315718-23**

The submissions on this file and the Inspector's report were considered at a Board meeting held on 20/08/2024.

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 nature and alignment of the adjacent road network along the L2455 Local Road, to the design and layout of the proposed access and to the quantum of development proposed with consequent traffic movements, it is considered that the proposed development does not demonstrate sufficient forward visibility or sight stopping distances for vehicles egressing the site in relation to the existing L2455. The proposed access arrangements would be significantly deficient in this regard and would result in unacceptable traffic manoeuvres which would endanger public safety by reason of traffic hazard on the public road. Furthermore, on the basis of the information submitted with the application and appeal, the Board cannot be satisfied that sightlines northwards from the proposed access/egress point, can be confirmed subsequent to completion of the approved Lehenaghmore Road Improvement Scheme, as the sightline requirement in this direction is shown on the documentation submitted with the application and appeal, to cross over lands outside the control of the applicant. It is considered that the proposed development would endanger public safety by reason of traffic hazard and would, therefore, be contrary to the proper planning and sustainable development of the area.

Board Member Chris McGarry

Date: 20/08/2024