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Board Direction
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ABP-316131-23

The submissions on this file and the Inspector's report were considered at a Board meeting held on 18/01/2024.

The Board decided to treat this case under section 139 of the Planning and Development Act, 2000. The Board also decided, based on the Reasons and Considerations set out below, that the planning authority be directed as follows:

Amend condition number 2 as follows:

2. The structures shall be removed before the expiration of a period of 40 years from the date of commissioning of the development unless planning permission for a further period has been granted.

Reason: To enable the planning authority to review the operation of the solar farm having regard to the circumstances then prevailing.

Reasons and Considerations

Having regard to national and local policies in relation to renewable energy, the scale, extent and layout of the proposed development and the pattern of development in the area, it is considered that, subject to compliance with the conditions set out below, the proposed development would be in accordance with national and local policy, would not seriously injure the visual or residential amenities of the area, would be acceptable in terms of biodiversity and landscape impacts and in terms of traffic safety and public health and would not negatively impact on any European site. The proposed

development would, therefore, be in accordance with the proper planning and sustainable development of the area.

Board Member:

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Date: 19/01/2024