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Board Direction
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The submissions on this file and the Inspector's report were considered at a Board meeting held on 29/07/2024.

The Board decided to refuse permission for the following reasons and considerations.

Reasons and Considerations

Having regard to the limited information submitted in respect of the construction, operation and maintenance of the swimming pool structure and hot tub, the Board cannot be satisfied that the proposed development individually, or in combination with other plans or projects would not result in adverse effects on the integrity of Galway Bay Complex Special Area of Conservation (Site code: 000268) and Inner Galway Bay Special Protection Area (Site code: 004031) in view of the sites Conservation Objectives.

In deciding not to accept the Inspector's recommendation to grant permission, the Board considered that details concerning the construction, operation and maintenance of the swimming pool structure and hot tub including the excavation works required, the source and volume of water required and its treatment, turnover and disposal must be available to inform an appropriate assessment process given the potential hydrological connectivity between the proposed development site and

nearby European Sites. As per Section 7.6.1 of the Inspector's Report, the Board did not deem it appropriate for the matter to be addressed by way of post-consent condition and the applicant did not respond to a Section 132 notice requesting these details within the allocated timeframe.

Board Member

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Date: 29/07/2024