

**An
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Pleanála**

**Board Direction
BD-016250-24
ABP-316285-23**

At a meeting held on 08/05/2024, the Board considered:

- (a) the objection made to the Compulsory Purchase Order,
- (b) the report of the Inspector and
- (c) the documents and submissions on file generally.

The Board decided to confirm the Order without modification based on the reasons and considerations set out below.

Reasons and Considerations


Having considered the written objections made to the Compulsory Purchase Order and having regard to the following:

- (a) the constitutional and Convention protection afforded to property rights,
- (b) the purpose for which the lands are to be acquired as set out in the Compulsory Purchase Order,
- (c) the community need, public interest served and overall benefits to be achieved from the proposed school campus,

- (d) the provisions of the National Planning Framework and the Section 28 guidelines on 'The Provision of Schools and the Planning System (2008)' and 'The Planning System and Flood Risk Management (2009)',
- (e) the policies and objectives of the Galway County Development Plan 2022 – 2028, and,
- (f) the submissions and observations made to the Board by the objector and Galway County Council,

it is considered that, the acquisition permanently of the lands in question, as set out in the Compulsory Purchase Order and on the deposited maps, are necessary for the purposes stated, which is a legitimate objective being pursued in the public interest, and that the Compulsory Purchase Order and its effects on the property rights of affected landowners are proportionate to that objective and justified by the exigencies of the common good.

Board Member:



Patricia Calleary

Date: 08/05/2024