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**Board Direction**  
**BD-017432-24**  
**ABP-317713-23**

The submissions on this file and the Inspector's report were considered at a Board meeting held on 10/09/2024.

The Board decided to refuse permission, generally in accordance with the Inspector's recommendation, for the following reasons and considerations.

#### **Reasons and Considerations**

1. On the basis of the information provided with the application and appeal and in the absence of a Natura Impact Statement, the Board cannot be satisfied that the proposed development individually, or in combination with other plans or projects, would not be likely to have a significant effect on the Bannow Bay Special Area of Conservation (Site Code: 000697), Bannow Bay Special Protection Area (Site Code: 004033) and Seas off Wexford Special Protection Area (Site Code 004237), or any other European site, in view of the site's Conservation Objectives. In such circumstances, the Board is precluded from granting permission.
2. Insufficient technical justification and information have been submitted in relation to the need for and effectiveness of the proposed coast protection works. Insufficient details have been submitted to ensure that the proposed development would not have a negative impact on the erosion of nearby

properties. The proposed development would, therefore, be contrary to Objective CZM32 of the Wexford County Development Plan 2022-2028 and would be contrary to the proper planning and sustainable development of the area.

**Board Member**

  

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Joe Boland

**Date:** 10/09/2024