

Board Direction BD-015759-24 ABP-317932-23

The submissions on this file and the Inspector's report were considered at a Board meeting held on 07/03/2024.

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

Reasons and Considerations

- 1. Having regard to Policy RH-P-3 of the Donegal County Development Plan 2018 – 2024, it is considered that the applicants have failed to demonstrate that their exceptional health circumstances would warrant a genuine need to develop the subject site in order to provide the proposed dwelling house. Therefore, the proposed development would contravene relevant local rural housing policy and would be contrary to the proper planning and sustainable development of the area.
- 2. Having regard to the site conditions, the applicants have failed to demonstrate that their proposed wastewater treatment system and soil/sand polishing filter would not give rise to the risk of pollution of ground and surface waters. The proposed development, therefore, would be contrary to the EPA Code of Practice 2021 for Domestic Waste Water Treatment Systems, be prejudicial to public health and contrary to the proper planning and sustainable development of the area.

Board Member

Joe Boland

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