

Board Direction BD-016982-24 ABP-317969-23

At a meeting held on 03/07/2024, the Board considered:

- (a) the objections made to the Compulsory Purchase Order,
- (b) the report of the Inspector who held the oral hearing and
- (c) the documents and submissions on file generally.
- (d) The request for an Oral Hearing

The Board agreed with the Inspector that an Oral Hearing was not warranted and that sufficient information was available on file to make a determination and decided to confirm the Order without modification.

Reasons and Considerations:

Having regard to the neglected, unsightly and objectionable condition of the site, evidenced by the condition of the front façade of the property, the boarded up window on the front façade, the condition of rain goods and the presence of weeds, and also:

- (a) the Constitutional and Convention protection afforded to property rights,
- (b) the public interest, and,
- (c) the provisions of the Cork County Development Plan 2022 2028,

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it is considered that the site detracts to a material degree from the amenity, character and appearance of land in the neighbourhood and, therefore, comes within the definition of a derelict site as defined in Section 3 (b) of the Derelict Sites Act, 1990, as amended, and that the acquisition of the site by the Local Authority is necessary in order to render the site non-derelict and to prevent it continuing to be a derelict site. It is also considered that the objections made cannot be sustained having regard to that

said necessity and that the compulsory acquisition 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:

Liam Bergin

Date: 16/07/2024

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