

Board Direction BD-016525-24 ABP-318157-23

The submissions on this file and the Inspector's report were considered at a Board meeting held on 07/06/2024.

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

Reasons and Considerations

The proposed introduction of the large digital signage board above the principal entrance doors and the 2no. digital side boards would have an adverse and injurious visual impact on the dignity, architectural character and setting of this Nationally Significant Protected Structure, considering its particular prominence within the historic Rotunda Hospital and Gate Theatre Ensemble, and its presence within the O'Connell Street Architectural Conservation Area (ACA) the O'Connell Street & Environs Scheme of Special Planning Control – (2016), and Planning Zone Z8 – Georgian Conservation Areas. The proposed development would be contrary to Policies BHA2 Development of Protected Structures, BHA7 Architectural Conservation Areas and BHA9 Conservation Areas of the Dublin City Development Plan 2022-2028 and would set an undesirable precedent for similar development. The proposed development would, therefore, be contrary to the provisions of the Dublin City Development Plan 2022-2028 and to the proper planning and sustainable development of the area.

Board Member

Date: 07/06/2024