

**Board Direction BD-018072-24 ABP-318648-23** 

The submissions on this file and the Inspector's report were considered at a Board meeting held on 05/11/2024.

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

## **Reasons and Considerations**

Having regard to the prominent location of the site within the village centre of Doonbeg, to the distinctive character of the immediate area which comprises high quality vernacular buildings on an attractive main thoroughfare and to the non integrated and haphazard layout of the proposed development which lacks design detail in relation to the proposed external finishes, materials and the proposed landscaping measures onsite, it is considered that the proposed development would be seriously detrimental to the vernacular character of the village and visual amenities of the area. The proposed development would therefore contravene the general objectives for Doonbeg set out under Volume 3c of the Clare County Development Plan 2023-2029, which, specifically, seeks to ensure future development reflects the distinctive character of the area in terms of scale, design and layout. It is, therefore, considered that the proposed development would be contrary to the proper planning and sustainable development of the area.

**Board Member** 

Date: 05/11/2024