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**Board Direction**  
**BD-016942-24**  
**ABP-318691-23**

The submissions on this file and the Inspector's report were considered at a Board meeting held on 08/07/2024.

The Board decided to direct the planning authority to refuse to grant a licence, generally in accordance with the Inspector's recommendation, for the following reasons and considerations.

### **Reasons and Considerations**

1. The site is located within the South Dublin County Council Part 8 Active Travel Scheme (Wellington Lane Walking and Cycling Scheme), the Board is not satisfied that the proposal to retain in situ the existing street pole and cabinet would be in accordance with section 254(5)(d) of the Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended, the Board considered that the development would militate against the convenience and safety of road users including pedestrians in terms of planned infrastructure to improve and facilitate more sustainable forms of transport.
2. Having regard to the provision of the 'Telecommunications Antennae and Support Structures - Guidelines for Planning Authorities' (Department of the Environment & Local Government 1996), the policies and objectives of the South Dublin County Development Plan 2022 - 2028, the location of the proposed development within an urban area and where existing telecommunications structures are located less than 2 kilometres from the site, it is considered that insufficient technical justification and up to date evidence has been provided in respect of alternative sites, to support the

location of the development. IE5 Objective 4 of the South County Development Plan 2022 – 2028 seeks to discourage a proliferation of telecommunication masts in the county and promote and facilitate the sharing of facilities, this objective is considered reasonable. The proposed development would be contrary to the above-mentioned guidelines and contrary to the above-mentioned objective of the statutory plan for the area. The proposed development would, therefore, be contrary to the proper planning and sustainable development of the area.

**Board Member**

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Tom Rabbette', written over a horizontal line.

Tom Rabbette

**Date:** 08/07/2024