

Board Direction BD-016640-24 ABP-318857-24

The submissions on this file and the Inspector's report were considered at a Board meeting held on 17/06/2024.

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

Reasons and Considerations

Having regard to:

the guidelines relating to Telecommunications Antennae and Support Structures which were issued by the Department of the Environment and Local Government to planning authorities in July 1996;

the location of the appeal site in an area zoned for 'Open Space and Recreation' in the Clonmel LAP 2024-2030 where it is an objective to 'Preserve and provide for open space, sports and recreational amenities', and also to the residential areas, community facilities and schools in close proximity to the appeal site;

the planning histories for the existing and permitted masts in the general vicinity of the subject site;

it is considered that the proposed development would lead to a proliferation of telecommunications structures where an opportunity for co-location may exist in the immediate area on permitted masts and would seriously injure the visual amenities of the area. The proposed development would, therefore, be contrary to the proper planning and sustainable development of the area.

Board Member

Liam Bergin

Date: 18/06/2024