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Board Direction
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The submissions on this file and the Inspector's report were considered at a Board meeting held on 23/09/2024.

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

Reasons and Considerations

1. It is considered that insufficient information has been provided as part of the application and appeal, with regards to the extent of works to be retained and the extent of change in levels across the site, the materials imported to the site, the nature of activity to be carried out onsite and whether there is any external storage of machinery proposed or associated pollution control measures. In this regard the Board is not satisfied that the development would not affect the water quality of the Lower River Shannon Special Area of Conservation (Site Code 002165) having regard to the indirect hydrological connection to the said European site. Therefore, the Board is not satisfied that the development to be retained and the proposed development, either individually or in combination with other plans or projects, would not be likely to have a significant effect on the said European site, in view of the site's conservation objectives

2. Having regard to the information submitted and to the substandard nature of the local road network in terms of width and carrying capacity, it has not been satisfactorily demonstrated by the applicant that traffic movements arising from the proposed development would not endanger public safety by reason of a traffic hazard and obstruction of road users. Accordingly, the development would be contrary to the proper planning and sustainable development of the area.

Board Member


Declan Moore

Date: 23/09/2024