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Pleanála

Board Direction
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The submissions on this file and the Inspector's report were considered at a Board meeting held on 07/02/2025.

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

Reasons and Considerations

It is considered that, subject to compliance with the conditions set out below, the retention development is in accordance with 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, Department of the Environment and Local Government Circular Letter PL07/12, and Section 9.11 (Telecommunications) and Policy 9.9 (Telecommunications and Smart Technology) of the Galway City Development Plan 2023 to 2029. The Board has considered that the development for retention would not seriously, or disproportionately, injure the amenities of the area or of property in the vicinity, or detract to an undue degree from the visual amenities of the area and would, therefore, be in accordance with the proper planning and sustainable development of the area.

Conditions

1. The development shall be retained in accordance with the plans and particulars lodged with the application, except as may otherwise be required in order to comply with the following conditions. Where such conditions require details to be agreed with the planning authority, the developer shall agree such details in writing with the planning authority prior to commencement of development and the development shall be carried out and completed in accordance with the agreed particulars.

Reason: In the interest of clarity.

2. In the event of the proposed structures becoming obsolete and being decommissioned, the developers shall, at their own expense remove the telecommunications structures and associated equipment.

Reason: In the interest of orderly development.

3. The antennae type and mounting configuration shall be in accordance with the details submitted with this application, and notwithstanding the provisions of the Planning and Development Regulations 2001, and any statutory provision amending or replacing them, shall not be altered without a prior grant of planning permission.

Reason: To clarify the nature and extent of permitted development to which this permission relates and to facilitate a full assessment of any future alterations.

4. The developer shall provide and make available of reasonable terms the proposed support structure for the provision of mobile telecommunications antenna of third-party licenced telecommunications operators.

Reason: In the interest of avoidance of multiplicity of telecommunications structures in the area, in the interest of visual amenity and the proper planning and sustainable development of the area.

Board Member


Liam McGree

Date: 11/02/2025