

Board Direction BD-017218-24 ABP-319921-24

The submissions on this file and the Inspector's report were considered at a Board meeting held on 12/08/2024.

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

Reasons and Considerations

The appeal site is located within Kilrane Business Park on the edge of the village Kilrane. The proposal seeks permission and permission to retain a metal recycling facility use within Kilrane Business Park. The appeal site is zoned for both Light Industrial purposes and Open Space and Amenity purposes within the Kilrane and Rosslare Harbour Settlement Plan as set out within Volume 3 of the Wexford County Development Plan 2022-2028. The proposed development falls within the definition of Waste Management Facilities as set out within the Wexford County Development Plan 2022-2028. Waste Management Facilities are "not permitted" on lands zoned for Light Industrial purposes or on lands zoned for Open Space and Amenity purposes.

Objective WM05 of the Wexford County Development Plan sets out criteria to be satisfied where it is proposed to develop Waste Management Facilities including "the proposal should comply with the zoning objective for the subject lands". The Development Management Guidance set out within Section 8.8.3 of the Wexford County Development Plan 2022-2028 furthermore outlines that "in general, no new waste disposal facility or Waste Transfer Station shall be located within 200 metres of a residence".

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The proposed development would materially contravene the zoning objective pertaining to the site as set out within the Wexford County Development Plan 2022-2028 and would be contrary to the requirements of Objective WM05 of the Plan and the development management criteria for the siting of waste facilities relative to residential development. The proposed development would, therefore, be contrary to the provisions of the Wexford County Development Plan 2022-2028 and to the proper planning and sustainable development of the area.

Board Member

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Date: 13/08/2024