

Board Direction BD-018722-25 ABP-320019-24

The submissions on this file and the Inspector's report were considered at a Board meeting held on 22/01/2025.

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

Having regard to the nature & scale of the development and its location in a rural area of Wexford County, together with the provisions of Wexford County Development Plan 2022-2028, particularly in relation to Section 5.8 Aggregate Resources and the Extractive Industry and Section 5.9 Facilities for Disposal of Inert Materials, it is considered that the development would not be injurious to residential or visual amenities and would be acceptable in terms of traffic safety and convenience. The proposed development would, therefore, be in accordance with the proper planning and sustainable development of the area.

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Conditions

1. The development shall be carried out and completed in accordance with the plans and particulars lodged with the application, as amended by the plans and particulars received by the planning authority on 13th day of May 2024, 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. All surface water generated within the boundaries of the site shall be collected and disposed of within the curtilage of the site.

Reason: In the interest of public health.

 The developer shall monitor the local entry road on a daily basis when the facility is in operation and clean the road surface when required or instructed to do so by the planning authority.

Reason: In the interests of amenity and protection of the environment.

4. A wheel-wash facility shall be provided adjacent to the site exit, the location, details and provisions for wash waters shall be submitted to, and agreed in writing with, the planning authority prior to commencement of development.

Reason: In the interest of traffic safety and convenience, and to protect the amenities of the area.

5. Operation hours shall be from 0800 to 1800 Monday to Friday and 0800 to 1400 Saturdays. No activity shall take place outside these hours or on Sundays or public holidays. Deviation from these times shall only be allowed in exceptional circumstances where prior written agreement has been

received from the Planning Authority.

Reason: In order to protect the residential amenities of property in the vicinity.

6. Noise emanating from the development shall not cause to be measured at the facing elevation (outside) of any dwelling in the area, during the hours 0700-2100 a noise level of 55dB(A) (Laeq 1 hour) and during the hours 2100-0700 and Sundays and Bank Holidays a noise level of 42 dB(A) (Laeq 1 hour). The noise is also not to be impulsive in nature or have any tonal element which is 5dB(A) above the adjacent frequencies.

Reason: In the interests of amenity and the proper planning and development of the area.

7. Details of road signage, warning the public of the entrance and of proposals for traffic management at the site entrance, shall be submitted to and agreed in writing with the planning authority prior to commencement of development.

Reason: In the interest of traffic safety.

- 8. (a) Dust levels at the site boundary shall not exceed 350 milligrams per square metre per day averaged over a continuous period of 30 days (Bergerhoff Gauge). Details of a monitoring programme for dust shall be submitted to, and agreed in writing with, the planning authority prior to commencement of development. Details to be submitted shall include monitoring locations, commencement date and the frequency of monitoring results, and details of all dust suppression measures.
 - (b) A monthly survey and monitoring programme of dust and particulate emissions shall be undertaken to provide for compliance with these limits. Details of this programme, including the location of dust monitoring stations, and details of dust suppression measures to be carried out within the site, shall be submitted to, and agreed in writing with, the planning authority prior to commencement of any quarrying works on the site. This programme

shall include an annual review of all dust monitoring data, to be undertaken by a suitably qualified person acceptable to the planning authority. The results of the reviews shall be submitted to the planning authority within two weeks of completion. The developer shall carry out any amendments to the programme required by the planning authority following this annual review.

Reason: To control dust emissions arising from the development and in the interest of the amenity of the area.

Board Member

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Date: 22/01/2025