

Direction CD-020724-25 ABP-320183-24

The submissions on this file and the Inspector's report were considered at a meeting held on 19/09/2025.

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

Planning

Commissioner:

Earon Jores Kell Date: 22/09/2025

Eamonn James Kelly

DRAFT WORDING FOR ORDER

Reasons and Considerations

1. Having regard to the location of the proposed development and development proposed to be retained with direct access onto the N70 National Secondary Road, at a location where the speed limit of 80 km/h applies, it is considered that the proposed development and development proposed to be retained by itself or by the precedent it would set for other development, would endanger public safety by reason of traffic hazard and obstruction of road users, due to the nature of the traffic likely to be generated by the use of this shed for agricultural storage, as proposed, would contravene national policy in relation to the control of development on national roads as set out in the Spatial Planning and National Roads Guidelines for Planning Authorities issued by the Department of the Environment, Community and Local Government in January,

2012, which seeks to secure the efficiency, capacity and safety of the national road network and would contravene materially Objectives KCDP 14-29 and KCDP 14-30 of the Kerry County Development Plan 2022-2028 and would, therefore, be contrary to the proper planning and sustainable development of the area.

Note

The Commission noted the Inspector considered that the proposed development and development proposed to be retained would endanger public safety by reason of traffic hazard because of the additional traffic turning movements the development would generate on this National Secondary Road at a point where sightlines are restricted in both directions north and south, and that this constituted a second reason for refusal. The Commission would have been minded to seek further information regarding this matter; however, given the substantive reason for refusal set out above, it was decided not to pursue the matter further at this time.