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**Board Direction**  
**BD-018340-24**  
**ABP-320970-24**

The submissions on this file and the Inspector's report were considered at a Board meeting held on 29/11/2024.

The Board decided by a majority of two to one to grant consent to the compulsory acquisition of the said site generally in accordance with the Inspector's recommendation for the reasons and considerations set out below.

### **Reasons and Considerations**

Having regard to the ruinous, derelict and dangerous condition of the structure and the derelict, neglected, unsightly and objectionable state of the land in Folio No. MH20934F, having considered the objection made to the compulsory acquisition, and also:

- the constitutional and Convention protection afforded to property rights,
- the public interest, and,
- the provisions of Meath County Development Plan 2021-2027,

it is considered that the site detracts to a material degree from the amenity, character and appearance of land in the neighbourhood and, therefore, comes within the definition of a derelict site as defined in sections 3 (a) and (b) of the Derelict Sites Act, 1990, as amended, and that the compulsory acquisition of the site by the local authority is necessary in order to render the site non-derelict and to prevent it from continuing to be a derelict site. It is also considered that the objection made cannot be sustained, having regard to that said necessity and that the compulsory

acquisition and its effects on the property rights of affected landowners are proportionate to that objective and justified by the exigencies of the common good.

**Board Member** Eamonn James Kelly **Date:** 02/12/2024  
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