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**Direction**  
**CD-021811-26**  
**ABP-321640-25**


The submissions on this file and the Inspector's reports were considered at a meeting held on 22/01/2026.

The Commission decided the request does not fall to be considered under Section 146B and accordingly decided not to alter the terms of the development.

**Planning**

**Commissioner:**

**Date:** 23/01/2026

  
Patricia Calleary

**DRAFT WORDING FOR ORDER**

**Reasons and Considerations**

The Commission considers that the particulars described in the request, comprising the introduction of a 24m high telecommunications mast, would result in new element and function distinct from the permitted strategic electricity transmission infrastructure authorised under ABP-313139-22 on the subject site. The Commission concluded that the development as described would not come within the meaning of an alteration of the terms of the permitted strategic infrastructure development as provided for under Section 146B of the Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended and cannot be considered under that provision. Accordingly, the

Commission concluded that the request does not fall to be considered under Section 146B and decided not to alter the terms of the development.

The particulars described in the request would require consideration by way of a separate planning application to the planning authority under Section 34 of the Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended.

In not agreeing with the inspector's recommendation to alter the permitted development, which was based on the view that the proposed telecommunications mast would not represent a different function from the permitted strategic electricity infrastructure and would otherwise be limited in nature and scale and without resulting in any significant new or additional environmental effects, the Commission did not share this finding. The Commission notes that the strategic infrastructure development authorised under ABP-313139-22 relates specifically to electricity transmission infrastructure. The Commission considers that the introduction of a 24m high telecommunications mast on the subject site would constitute the introduction of a development type and function distinct from that of the permitted strategic electricity infrastructure authorised under ABP-313139-22 on the subject site. Accordingly, the Commission did not share the inspector's view that the permitted development could be treated under Section 146B of the Planning and Development Act, 2000, as amended.