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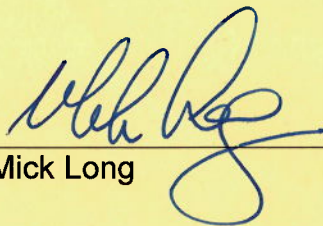
Direction
CD-020468-25
ABP-322453-25

The submissions on this file and the Inspector's report were considered at a meeting held on 12/08/2025.

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

Planning

Commissioner:


Mick Long

Date: 12/08/2025

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Reasons and Considerations

The subject site is located in an area zoned objective 'RU' – Rural which seeks to 'protect and promote in a balanced way, the development of agriculture and rural related enterprise, biodiversity, the rural landscape, and the built and cultural heritage' in the Fingal County Development Plan 2023-2029. The Commission considers that the retention of the change of use of the land for the storage of mobile cranes, tower crane parts, concrete pumps and associated equipment, deemed to be 'plant storage', relates to a non-agricultural / non-rural purpose and would be contrary to the RU-Rural land-use zoning objective and vision and Policy EEP23 and EEP24 of the Fingal County Development Plan 2023-2029. Furthermore, the scale and design of the vehicular entrance, boundary fencing and lighting which are proposed to be retained, would therefore not be necessary and would not reflect the nature of the permitted use of the site, would be akin to infrastructure associated with a commercial

development and would not align with the RU-Rural land-use zoning objective and vision. The proposed development and development to be retained would, therefore, be contrary to the proper planning and sustainable development of the area.

Note

In not accepting the Inspector's recommendation to permit retention of the vehicular entrance and boundary fencing the Commission was not in agreement the said infrastructure including the vehicular entrance, boundary fencing and lighting was necessary to service the permitted development on site and was not satisfied that there was sufficient information provided on the rationale for the level of infrastructure for the permitted storage of agricultural machinery.