

Direction CD-020670-25 ABP-322521-25

The submissions on this file and the Inspector's report were considered at a meeting held on 15/09/2025.

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

**Planning** 

Commissioner:

Patricia Calleary

Date: 15/0

15/09/2025

## DRAFT WORDING FOR ORDER

## **Reasons and Considerations**

Having regard to the provisions of the County Donegal Development Plan 2024-2030, the specific nature of the development proposed to be retained, the scale of this development in the context of the agricultural landholding, the established nature of the agri-food social enterprise on this landholding, including the promotion of agricultural heritage and the Irish language, and the prevailing pattern and character of development in this Gaeltacht area, it is considered that, subject to compliance with the conditions set out below, the development proposed to be retained would not seriously injure the residential or visual amenities of the area or of property in the

vicinity, would not endanger public safety by reason of a traffic hazard or adversely

impact on public health or on the natural heritage of the area. The development

proposed to be retained would, therefore, be in accordance with the proper planning

and sustainable development of the area.

Conditions

1. The development shall be retained in accordance with the plans and particulars

submitted with the planning application, as amended by the further plans and

particulars submitted to the planning authority on the 28th day of March 2025,

except as may otherwise be required in order to comply with the following

conditions.

Reason: In the interests of clarity.

2. The existing septic tank shall be inspected monthly and emptied every six

months in accordance with the recommendation contained within the Septic

Tank Treatment System Assessment, which was prepared by Alvin Morrow,

dated March 2025 and submitted as part of further information response on the

28th day of March 2025. The developer shall keep a record of such inspections

and the emptying regime.

Reason: In the interest of public health.

3. The storage containers hereby permitted shall be removed from the site within

two years from the date of this order.

Reason: In the interest of visual amenity and orderly development.

- 4. (a) The polytunnels shall be used for horticultural purposes only.
  - (b) The polytunnels shall be maintained in good condition and any torn or defaced plastic covering shall be removed and replaced with new covering.
  - (c) The polytunnels shall be secured against wind and inclement weather.

Reason: In the interests of visual amenity and orderly development.

 Water supply and drainage arrangements, including the disposal of surface water, shall comply with the requirements of the planning authority for such works and services.

Reason: In the interest of public health.

6. The developer shall pay to the planning authority a financial contribution in respect of public infrastructure and facilities benefiting development in the area of the planning authority that is provided or intended to be provided by or on behalf of the authority in accordance with the terms of the Development Contribution Scheme made under section 48 of the Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended. The contribution shall be paid within three months of the date of this order or in such phased payments as the planning authority may facilitate and shall be subject to any applicable indexation provisions of the Scheme at the time of payment. Details of the application of the terms of the Scheme shall be agreed between the planning authority and the developer or, in default of such agreement, the matter shall be referred to An Coimisiún Pleanála to determine the proper application of the terms of the Scheme.

**Reason:** It is a requirement of the Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended, that a condition requiring a contribution in accordance with the Development Contribution Scheme made under section 48 of the Act be applied to the permission.