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Coimisiún  
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**Direction**  
**CD-021951-26**  
**ACP-323766-25**

The submissions on this file and the Inspector's report were considered at a meeting held on 20/02/2026.

The Commission decided to grant consent to the compulsory acquisition generally in accordance with the Inspector's recommendation, for the following reasons and considerations.

**Planning**

**Commissioner:** Eamonn James Kelly  
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**Date:** 20/02/2026

### **DRAFT WORDING FOR ORDER**

#### **Reasons and Considerations**

Having regard to the neglected, unsightly and objectionable condition of the site, and having considered the objection made to the compulsory acquisition, and also:

- (a) the constitutional and Convention protection afforded to property rights,
- (b) the public interest, and
- (c) the provisions of the 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 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.