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Pleanála

Commission Direction
CD-000126
PL-500060-CE

The submissions on this file and the Inspector's report were considered at a meeting held on 17 February 2026.

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

Planning Commissioner:

Mary Gurrie

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Date: 17/02/2026

DRAFT WORDING FOR ORDER

Reasons and Considerations

The site of the proposed development is located within a 'Settled Landscape', as set out in the Clare County Development Plan 2023-2029, where emphasis is placed on the selection of appropriate sites in the first instance within this landscape, together with consideration of the details of siting and design which

are directed towards minimising visual impacts. Having regard to the topography of the site, and the elevated positioning of the proposed development, it is considered that the proposed development would form a discordant and obtrusive feature on the landscape at this location, would seriously injure the visual amenities of the area, would fail to be adequately absorbed and integrated into the landscape, would militate against the preservation of the rural environment, and would set an undesirable precedent for other such prominently located development in the vicinity. The proposed development would, therefore, be contrary to the proper planning and sustainable development of the area.