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Commission Direction
CD-000352
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The submissions on this file and the Inspector's report were considered at a meeting held on 30 March 2026.

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

Planning Commissioner:

Tom Rabbette

Date:

30th day of March 2026

DRAFT WORDING FOR ORDER

Reasons and Considerations

The development proposed to be retained represents an unacceptable form of access that directly interferes with the functioning of the public road network. The vehicular entrance has been created onto a busy local route (L3010) through a designated public parking layby, resulting in the loss of public parking and the

introduction of vehicular movements across a pedestrian zone where adequate sightlines or turning capacity have not been demonstrated. Accordingly, the development proposed to be retained endangers public safety by reason of traffic hazard and is contrary to Policy DMS 16.91 (Access and Sightlines) and DMS 16.114 (Safe Unobstructed Sight Distances) of the Longford County Development Plan 2021-2027, which require that all vehicular accesses ensure safe ingress and egress and protect the functionality of the road network. The development proposed to be retained would, therefore, be contrary to the proper planning and sustainable development of the area.