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**Commission Direction**  
**CD-000730**  
**PL-500946-LK-26**

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The submissions on this file and the Inspector's report were considered at a meeting held on 11 June 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:**

**16<sup>th</sup> day of June 2026**

**DRAFT WORDING FOR ORDER**

**Reasons and Considerations**

Permission for the retention of the existing agricultural entrance to serve as a second entrance from the applicant's landholding, as outlined in the submitted application, directly onto the N21 at a point where the 100kph speed limit applies would conflict with Policy TR P12 of the Limerick Development Plan 2022-2028

which aims to Safeguard the Capacity of National Roads. It would also materially contravene Objective TR O39 of the development plan which seeks 'to maintain and improve the capacity, safety and function of the national road network and restrict new access onto such roads to which speed limits greater than 60km/h apply save for exceptional circumstances', as it is considered that the applicant does not meet the criteria set out for exceptional circumstances having regard to the requirements of the Ministerial Guidance in Spatial Planning and National Roads Guidelines (DoECLG, 2012) as cited in the development plan in this regard. Furthermore, the Commission is not satisfied that proposed retention of a new access at this location would not interfere with the safety and free flow of traffic and would therefore endanger public safety by reason of traffic safety and would accordingly be contrary to the proper planning and sustainable development of the area.