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Commission Direction
CD-001195
PL-501407-LK-26

The submissions on this file and the Inspector's report were considered at a meeting held on 27 August 2026.

The Commission decided to refuse permission, generally in accordance with the Inspector's recommendation, as indicated in the draft Order hereunder.

Planning Commissioner:


Tom Rabbette

Date:

2nd day of September 2026

DRAFT ORDER

Reasons and Considerations

It is considered that the proposed development for a new agricultural entrance, for which the need has not been adequately justified, onto the R511 Strategic Regional Road would endanger public safety by reason of traffic hazard due to the location of the proposed entrance at a point

where sightlines to the south are restricted and would therefore conflict with Objective TR O37 (Land Uses and Access Standards) requiring new accesses meet the appropriate design and safety standards, Objective TR O41 (Strategic Regional Roads) which seeks to improve, manage and maintain the strategic regional road network, and Section 11.8.1(Access to Roads, Traffic and Transport Assessments (TTAs) and Road Safety Audits (RSAs)) of the Limerick Development Plan 2022-2028, and would be contrary to the proper planning and sustainable development of the area.

Note: The Commission agreed with the Inspector's recommended refusal reason number 2, with specific reference to the removal of c.70 metres of hedgerow with adverse impacts arising for local biodiversity, to accommodate a new agricultural entrance that has not been adequately justified. However, the Commission decided that this may be considered a new issue in the context of the specific grounds of appeal and, having regard to the substantive reason for refusal, decided not to pursue this matter any further in this instance.