



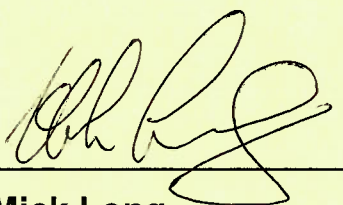
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Commission Direction
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The submissions on this file and the Inspector's report were considered at a meeting held on 28 September 2026.

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

Planning Commissioner:


Mick Long

Date:

28th day of September 2026

DRAFT WORDING FOR ORDER

Having regard to the "Telecommunications Antennae and Support Structures Guidelines for Planning Authorities", issued by the Department of the Environment and Local Government in July, 1996 (as updated by Circular Letter PL07/12), to policy objectives ICT3, ICT 4 and DM Standard 42 of the Galway County Development Plan 2022 - 2028, the Commission considered that a sufficient

examination of alternative sites and justification for the current 'last resort' site in accordance with the guidelines has not been presented. The proposed development would, therefore, be contrary to Section 28 Ministerial Guidelines, to the aforementioned policy and objectives of the Development Plan and to the proper planning and sustainable development of the area.

The Commission also noted the the “Telecommunications Antennae and Support Structures Guidelines for Planning Authorities”, issued by the Department of the Environment and Local Government in July, 1996 (as updated by Circular Letter PL07/12) discourage lattice type towers and encourage monopole structures in terms of visual impact and the amenities of the area, but given the substance of the reason for refusal did not seek additional information on the proposed structure.