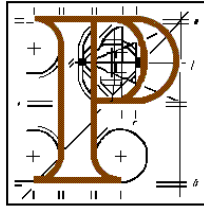


An Bord Pleanála



PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT ACTS 2000 TO 2015

Wexford County

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APPEAL by Colin and Anne Mernagh and others care of John Mullins and Associates of 14 Crescent Mall, Wexford and by Catherine Phillips and others of Green Road, Killiane, Drinagh, Wexford against the decision made on the 24th day of August, 2015 by Wexford County Council to grant subject to conditions a permission to Paul Tyrell of 21 Hollyville Heights, Wexford.

PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT: Permission is sought for a potable water facility consisting of five number wells, five number borehole pumps and associated pipework, cascade aerator, contact tank and UV disinfection, single storey control building (housing the control panels, chemical dosing bund and equipment, water filtration system and pumps), backwash tank, and one number underground storage tank (six metres wide by 75 metres long by 2.7 metres deep). Planning permission is also sought for widening and extension of existing laneway to provide vehicular access to the facility and all associated site development works, all at Bogganstown Upper, Drinagh, County Wexford. In addition, planning permission is sought for provision of a new watermain from the townland of Bogganstown Upper, Drinagh to Maudlintown, County Wexford via townlands of Jacketstown, Rowestown, Whitestown Lower or Hermitage, Whitestown Upper, Blackhorse, Drinagh South, Rochestown, Rough-Mead, Drinagh North, Kerloge, Strandfield, Rocksborough, County Wexford.

DECISION

REFUSE permission for the above proposed development based on the reasons and considerations set out below.

MATTERS CONSIDERED

In making its decision, the Board had regard to those matters to which, by virtue of the Planning and Development Acts and Regulations made thereunder, it was required to have regard. Such matters included any submissions and observations received by it in accordance with statutory provisions.

REASONS AND CONSIDERATIONS

The proposed development provides for the abstraction of water from an aquifer which is a source of both public and private water supplies. The Board is not satisfied, in the absence of appropriate hydrogeological studies, including groundwater quality assessment that the proposed development would not impact negatively on nearby water wells or on the groundwater body more generally. Furthermore, the Board is not satisfied, on the basis of the information submitted in connection with the planning application and appeal, that the proposed development would not impact negatively on the amenities of nearby residential properties by way of noise or other nuisance associated with the proposed pumping and treatment of water. Finally, the Board considered the information submitted with regard to the proposed underground water storage tank and the proposed rising main is inadequate to enable a proper assessment of the planning aspects of either element to be undertaken. The proposed development would, therefore, be contrary to the proper planning and sustainable development of the area.

**Member of An Bord Pleanála
duly authorised to authenticate
the seal of the Board.**

Dated this day of 2016.