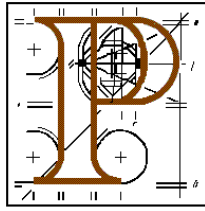


# An Bord Pleanála



PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT ACTS 2000 TO 2015

**Clare County**

**Planning Register Reference Number: P15/501**

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**APPEAL** by Henry Kennaugh care of Downey Planning of 1 Westland Square, Pearse Street, Dublin against the decision made on the 14<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2015 by Clare County Council to grant subject to conditions a permission to Eoin Gibson care of Niall Geoghegan of Ballybeg, Ennis, County Clare.

**PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT:** Retention of the constructed steel frame and timber purlins for an agricultural storage shed along with associated site works and permission for the completion of the agricultural storage shed and associated site works at Kiltrellig, Kilbaha, Kilrush, County Clare.

## **DECISION**

**REFUSE** permission for the above proposed development in accordance with the said plans and particulars 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 subject site is located within a sensitive, open and exposed landscape, on a designated scenic route on the Loop Head peninsula, and adjacent to a designated Heritage landscape. It is considered that the agricultural need for the scale and extent of the development proposed to be retained and completed has not been demonstrated in terms of serving this landholding, and having regard to its height, bulk and mass, it is therefore considered that in the absence of such justification the development would seriously injure the visual amenities of this area, would interfere with the character of the landscape which it is necessary to preserve, and accordingly would contravene Objective 16.6 (scenic routes) of the Clare County Development Plan 2011 – 2017, as varied, which seeks to protect sensitive areas from inappropriate development. The development proposed to be retained and completed would, therefore, be contrary to the proper planning and sustainable development of the area.

In deciding not to accept the Inspector's recommendation to grant permission, the Board considered that the development would be visually obtrusive in a sensitive landscape, and would be unacceptable in the absence of a demonstrated need for a development of this scale to serve the subject landholding.

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

**Dated this            day of            2016.**