

An Bord Pleanála



PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT ACTS 2000 TO 2015

Dublin City

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APPEAL by Vodafone Ireland Limited care of Planning Resource Planning Consultancy Services of The Management Suite, 41 Clearwater Court North, Royal Canal Park, Dublin against the decision made on the 4th day of February, 2016 by Dublin City Council to refuse permission.

PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT: Retention of existing telecommunications equipment located on rooftop consisting of existing antennae and dishes mounted on support poles fixed to existing chimneys, associated equipment, including associated equipment cabinets locate in basement at 76 Thomas Street, Dublin (protected structure – reference 8361), all at 76 Thomas Street, Dublin.

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

Having regard to the provisions of the “Telecommunications Antennae and Support Structures Guidelines for Planning Authorities” issued by the Department of the Environment and Local Government in 1996, as amended by Circular Letter PL 07/12 relating to Telecommunications Antennae and Support Structures Guidelines and to the status of 76 Thomas Street as a protected structure, it is considered that the development proposed to be retained would adversely affect the Architectural Conservation Area in which the telecommunications mast is located and would have an adverse impact on the character, setting and integrity of the protected structure. The development proposed to be retained would, therefore, would set an undesirable precedent for similar future developments in the vicinity and would 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.