



An
Bord
Pleanála

Board Order
PL 19.248877

Planning and Development Acts 2000 to 2017

Planning Authority: Offaly County Council

Planning Register Reference Number: PL 2/17/161

Appeal by Joe Melia of New Park, Kiltoom, Athlone, County Roscommon and by Mark Bannon of Stoneyford, County Kilkenny against the decision made on the 30th day of June, 2017 by Offaly County Council to grant subject to conditions a permission to Midlands National Shooting Centre of Ireland CLG care of ABBD of Clonshanny, Clara, County Offaly in accordance with plans and particulars lodged with the said Council:

Proposed Development: Retention of clubhouse in so far as it differs from that previously granted under planning register reference number 02/1261, retention of unauthorised use of clubhouse as a registered firearms dealership, unauthorised extensions to the shooting ranges and associated unauthorised structures on site including sporting trap house, high tower trap house, lower tower trap house, 1000 yard benchrest shed, pistol/rifle zero range, filler rooms 1 and 2, store rooms A and B, fraction room, 600 yard target pits, 1,200 yard target pits, ground baffles, backstops and mounds and metal shipping container, and all associated site development works, all at Derrymore, Blueball, Tullamore, County Offaly.

Decision

GRANT permission for the above proposed development in accordance with the said plans and particulars based on the reasons and considerations under and subject to the conditions 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 planning history of the site, the established use of the lands for shooting and the nature of the area, it is considered that, subject to compliance with the conditions set out below, the proposed development would not involve significant impacts on the local environment, would not seriously injure the residential or visual amenities of the area, would not be prejudicial to public health and would generally be acceptable in terms of traffic safety and convenience. The proposed development would, therefore, be in accordance with the proper planning and sustainable development of the area.

Conditions

1. The development shall be retained and completed in accordance with the plans and particulars lodged with the application, except as may otherwise be required in order to comply with the following conditions. Where such conditions require details to be agreed with the planning authority, the developer shall agree such details in writing with the planning authority and the development shall be retained and completed in accordance with the agreed particulars.

Reason: In the interest of clarity.

2. Water supply and drainage arrangements, including the attenuation and disposal of surface water, shall comply with the requirements of the planning authority for such works and services.

Reason: In the interest of public health.

3. The noise level shall not exceed 55 dB(A) rated sound level (that is, corrected sound level for a tonal or impulsive component) at the nearest noise sensitive location between 0800 and 2000 hours, and shall not exceed 45 dB(A) at any other time. Procedures for the purpose of determining compliance with this limit shall be submitted to, and agreed in writing with, the planning authority with three months of the date of this order.

Reason: To protect the residential amenities of property in the vicinity of the site.

