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**Board Order
PL 05E.248902**

Planning and Development Acts 2000 to 2017

Planning Authority: Donegal County Council

Planning Register Reference Number: 17/50669

Appeal by Seamus McMenamin care of Harley Planning Consultants Limited of 1 Melmount Park, Strabane, County Tyrone, Northern Ireland against the decision made on the 29th day of June, 2017 by Donegal County Council to refuse permission to the said Seamus McMenamin.

Proposed Development: Retention and completion of works to widen and setback an existing agricultural entrance and the formation of an access laneway to serve agricultural use on lands at Corcam, Stranorlar, County Donegal.

Decision

REFUSE permission for the above proposed development in accordance with 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

1. It is considered that the development, for which retention and completion is sought, would result in intensification of an access onto the National Primary Road N15 which is substandard in terms of both horizontal and vertical alignment and where a speed limit of 100 km/h applies, would endanger public safety by reason of traffic hazard and obstruction of road users because of the intensification of traffic movements, where sightlines are insufficient and would lead to dangerous traffic cross-over movements into and out of the site. The subject development would, if permitted, be contrary to the “Spatial Planning and National Roads Guidelines for Planning Authorities” issued by the Department of the Environment, Community and Local Government in January, 2012, and would materially contravene Policy T-P-16 as set out in the Donegal County Development Plan 2012-2018, as varied. The development for which retention and completion is sought would, therefore, be contrary to the proper planning and sustainable development of the area.

