

## Board Order ABP-300292-17

Local Government (No. 2) Act, 1960

Housing Act, 1966

Planning and Development Acts, 2000 to 2017

**Planning Authority: Louth County Council** 

**APPLICATION** received by An Bord Pleanála on the 17<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2017 from Louth County Council pursuant to section 76 of, and the Third Schedule to, the Housing Act, 1966 as extended by section 10 of the Local Government (No. 2) Act, 1960 (as substituted by section 86 of the Housing Act, 1966) and the Planning and Development Acts, 2000 to 2017, for confirmation of a compulsory purchase order dated the 14<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2017 authorising compulsory acquisition of lands and entitled **No. 1 New Street, Dundalk, County Louth Compulsory Order, 2017.** 

## **DECISION**

ANNUL the above compulsory purchase order based on the reasons and considerations set out below.

## **REASONS AND CONSIDERATIONS**

Having considered the objections made to the compulsory purchase order, the report of the person who conducted the oral hearing into the objections, the purpose for which the lands are to be acquired as set out in the compulsory purchase order and also having regard to the following:

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- (a) The documentation on file including the case made by the Local Authority;
- (b) The submissions and observations made at the Oral Hearing held on 27<sup>th</sup> March 2018;

And notwithstanding the numerous supporting policies and objectives in respect of social housing provision and re-use of vacant houses set out in:

- (c) Louth County Development Plan 2015-2021;
- (d) Dundalk and Environs Development Plan 2009-2015;
- (e) Rebuilding Ireland: Action Plan for Housing and Homelessness, 2016, and associated Circular letters PL8/2016 and 29/2017;

The Board is not satisfied that, in this instance, the acquisition by the Local Authority of the lands in question, as set out in the order and on the deposited map, has been justified and is necessary, at this stage, for the purposes stated.

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

Dated this day of 2018

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