Ordú Boird
Board Order
ABP-300592-18.

Na hAchtanna um Pleanáil agus Forbairt 2000 go 2017

Planning and Development Acts 2000 to 2017

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Achomharc ó Teresa Uí Fhatharta faoi chúram Stephen Dowds Associates ag 5 Sráid Mhuire, Gaillimh i gcoinne an chinneadh a rinneadh ar an 5ú lá de mhí na Nollag 2017 ag Comhairle Contae na Gaillimhe cead a dheonaigh, de réir coinníollacha, d'Uisce Éireann, faoi chúram Arup ag 50 Bóthar na Rinne, Baile Átha Cliath.

Appeal by Teresa Uí Fhatharta care of Stephen Dowds Associates of 5 Mary Street, Galway against the decision made on the 5th day of December, 2017 by Galway County Council to grant subject to conditions a permission to Irish Water care of Arup of 50 Ringsend Road, Dublin.

An Fhorbairt Bheartaithe:

Soláthar (a) umar stórála amhuisce amháin de timpeall 729 méadar cearnach le hairde iomlán an umair thart ar 5.4 méadar (timpeall 4.3 méadar gan lámhráille), (b) umar stórála amhuisce de timpeall 306 méadar cearnach le hairde iomlán de thart ar 5.4 méadar (timpeall 4.3 méadar gan lámhráille), (c) oibreacha forbartha an láithreáin atá bainteach leis, áit phábháilte na bhfeithiclí san áireamh, uasghrádú córais dhraenála an láithreáin atá ann faoi láthair, soláthar áite do chonraitheoir sealadach, an píbobair choimhdeach iomlán atá riachtanach, seirbhísí meicniúla agus leictreacha, ionstraimíocht agus uathoibriú. Tá an méid iomlán thuasluaite beartaithe ar láithreán de thart ar 0.71 heicteár ag Ionad Cóireála Uisce Inis Meáin, Oileáin Árainn, Co. na Gaillimhe.

Proposed Development:

For the provision of (a) one number raw water storage tank of approximately 729 square metres with an overall height of the tank approximately 5.4 metres (approximately 4.3 metres without handrail), (b) one number raw water storage tank of approximately 306 square metres with an overall height of approximately 5.4 metres (approximately 4.3 metres without handrail), (c) associated site development works, including hardstand areas, upgrade of existing site drainage system, provision of a temporary contractor's area, all necessary ancillary pipework, mechanical and electrical services, instrumentation and automation. All of the above is proposed on a site of approximately 0.71 hectare at Inis Meáin Water Treatment Plant, Aran Islands, County Galway.

An Cinneadh

DIÚLTÚ cead pleanála don fhorbairt bheartaithe thuasluaite maidir leis na cúiseanna agus na tuisceana a leagtar amach thíos.

Decision

REFUSE permission for the above proposed development in accordance with the reasons and considerations set out below.

Na hÁbhair a bhí Curtha san Áireamh

Ag déanamh a chinnidh, thug an Bord aird ar na nithe áirithe atá dualgas air, de bhua na n-Achtanna um Pleanáil agus Forbairt agus na Rialachán arna ndéanamh fúthu, aird a thabhairt dóibh. San áireamh bhí aon aighneacht agus tuairim a fuair an Bord faoi réir forálacha reachtúla.

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.

Cúiseanna agus Tuisceana

Glactar go ginearálta leis an gá atá ann feabhas a chur ar thoilleadh stórais uisce ar Inis Meáin. Is fiú iad seo a leanas a thógáil san áireamh, áfach:

(a) an cás teicniúil míshásúil a chuireadh chun tosaigh maidir le scála agus cumraíocht na stórála uisce atá á lorg,

(b) níl an modh dearaidh, mar a iarradh air, ag teacht leis an tírdhreach agus comhtháthaíonn sé go dona leis na humair atá ann cheana féin ag na láithreáin uachtaracha agus íochtaracha,

Reasons and Considerations

The need in principle of improving water storage capacity on Inis Meáin is accepted. However, having regard to:

(a) the unsatisfactory technical case presented for the scale and configuration of water storage sought,

(b) the design approach as applied for, which is not sympathetic to the landscape and integrates poorly with existing tanks in place at both upper and lower sites, with respect to form and materials, and

maidir le cruth agus ábhair, agus

(c) aithnítear tionchar físiúil na n-umar beartaithe sa tírdhreach leochaileach seo mar "Leibhéal Aicme 5 – Uathúil" i bPlean Forbartha Chontae na Gaillimhe 2015 – 2021, go háirithe ar an láithreán uachtarach, i leith na n-áiseanna sa réadmhaoin chónaithe atá chóngarach chomh maith, níl an Bord sásta go bhfuil bonn ag tionchar físiúil na forbartha beartaithe, d'ainneoin an fheabhsaithe a rinneadh sa fhreagra eolais sa bhreis. Dhéanfadh an fhorbairt bheartaithe dochair, mar sin, do háiseanna na háite agus réadmhaoin na cóngarachta, agus bheadh sí i gcoinne pleanála cuí agus forbartha inbhuanaithe na háite.

(c) the visual impact of the proposed tanks in this sensitive landscape identified as a "Class Level 5 – Unique" in the Galway County Development Plan 2015-2021, in particular on the upper site, including with respect to the amenities of nearby residential property, the Board is not satisfied that the visual impacts of the proposed development are justifiable, notwithstanding the design improvements made in the further information response. The proposed development would, therefore, seriously injure the amenities of the area and of property in the vicinity and would be contrary to the proper planning and sustainable development of the area.

Agus an cinneadh a dhéanamh dul in ngleic le moladh an chigire cead a dheonaigh d'umar amháin ar an láithreán íochtarach amháin, níl an Bord sásta go bhféadfaí déileáil leis na ceisteanna a ardaíodh i gcúis an diúltaithe trí fhorbairt mhionathraithe amháin a dheonaigh. Is féidir nach

In deciding not to accept the Inspector's recommendation to grant permission for a single tank on the lower site only, the Board is not satisfied that the concerns as expressed in the refusal reason could be dealt with by granting a modified form of development only. This

bhfreastalódh an freagra seo ar na riachtanais stórála uisce. Bheartaíodh gur fearr go dtéann an t-iarratasóir siar agus an moladh iomlán a athscrúdú. Sa chaoi seo, is fiú go dtabharfar níos mó eolais ar an dtoirt stórála atá riachtanach, agus ar na roghanna eile gur féidir leis seo a sholáthraigh i gcaoi íogair, le aitheantas a thabhairt ar an láthair agus a comhthéacs (oidhreacht fhísiúil nádúrtha).	solution might not meet the water storage needs. It was considered preferable that the proposal be examined again by the applicant in its totality. In this regard, more information should be presented on the volume of storage necessary, and on the alternatives as to how that might be delivered in a sensitive manner taking more cognisance of the location and its context (visual and natural heritage).

Conall Boland **Ball den Bhord Pleanála a bhfuil Údarás aige séala an Bhord a fhíordheimhniú**	**Conall Boland** **Member of An Bord Pleanála duly authorised to authenticate the seal of the Board.**

Dátaithe ar an	**lá seo de**	**2018**
Dated this the	**day of**	**2018**