

Board Order ABP-301218-18

Planning and Development Acts 2000 to 2018 Planning Authority: Wicklow County Council Planning Register Reference Number: 17/1136

APPEAL by Lewis and Frances Clohessy of "Ithaca", Golden Hill, Manor Kilbride, Blessington, County Wicklow against the decision made on the 27th day of February, 2018 by Wicklow County Council to grant subject to conditions a permission to Nicola Donohoe care of Ger Kelly Architectural Services of Ballyknockan, Valleymount, County Wicklow.

Proposed Development: A single storey dwelling and double garage with an Oakstown treatment plant with sand polishing filter and a bored well along with construction of a new entrance and all associated site works at Golden Hill, Manor Kilbride, Blessington, Co. Wicklow.

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

The Board is not satisfied that, when taken in conjunction with the location of the proposed development within an area identified as being within a very high risk category for domestic wastewater treatment systems, the development would not contribute to an unacceptable increase of nitrate levels in the receiving groundwater and result in excessive concentration of development served by wastewater treatment units in the area. Accordingly, it has not been demonstrated that the effluent generated as a result of the development can be adequately treated and safely disposed of on-site without risk to groundwater quality. The proposed development would, therefore, be prejudicial to public health and would be contrary to the proper planning and sustainable development of the area.

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

Dated this day of 2019.