



Planning and Development Acts 2000 to 2018

Planning Authority: Meath County Council

Planning Register Reference Number: AA/170598

APPEAL by Transport Infrastructure Ireland of Parkgate Business Centre, Parkgate Street, Dublin against the decision made on the 22nd day of February, 2018 by Meath County Council to grant subject to conditions a permission to McGarrell Reilly Homes care of Declan Brassil and Company Limited of Lincoln House, Phoenix Street, Smithfield, Dublin.

Proposed Development Construction of a road of 232 metres in length on a site of 5,557 square metres. The road will be 20 metres in width and comprise: 6.5 metres wide vehicular carriageway, two metres wide footpaths, 1.5-metre wide cycle paths, 2.25 metres wide grass verges, a one-metre wide edge with external fences, and all associated infrastructure and site development works. The proposed road will connect the established distributor road within City North Business Campus with the road applied for under planning application register reference AA170505 which links to Gormanstown Road, Stamullen. The road includes a junction to facilitate future linkages to the west, all at City North Business Campus, Stamullen, County Meath, as revised by the further public notice received by the planning authority on the 26th day of January, 2018.

Decision

REFUSE outline 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

Having regard to the location of the proposed development in relation to the M1 motorway, a strategic route of European and national importance, to the nature of the proposed development which would facilitate a direct connection from the settlement of Stamullen and its hinterland area to the Motorway network, and to the absence of justification for the development in national and regional policy documents, the Board is not satisfied that the proposed development would not adversely affect the strategic role and function of the national road network. The proposed development would, therefore, conflict with policies to protect investment in national roads, as set out in 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 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