

## Board Order ABP-303442-19

Urban Regeneration and Housing Act 2015 Planning and Development Acts 2000 to 2019 Planning Authority: Carlow County Council Planning Authority Reference Number: VS-18-22

**Appeal** by Lispopple SPV Limited care of Simon Clear and Associates of 3 Terenure Road West, Terenure, Dublin in accordance with section 9(1) of the Urban Regeneration and Housing Act 2015, as amended, against the entry on the Vacant Sites Register by Carlow County Council on the 6<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2018 in respect of the site described below.

**Description:** Lands at Barrow Track, Carlow.

## Decision

The Board in accordance with section 9(3) of the Urban Regeneration and Housing Act 2015, as amended, and based on the reasons and considerations set out below, hereby determines that the above site was not a vacant site within the meaning of that Act for the period concerned.

## **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:

- (a) the information submitted to the Board by the planning authority in relation to the entry of the site on the Vacant Sites Register,
- (b) the grounds of appeal submitted by the appellant,
- (c) the report of the Inspector,
- (d) the absence of sufficient evidence to support the contention of the planning authority that the site was vacant and idle for the period of 12 months preceding the date of placing the site on the register, and

(e) the fact that on the date the site was entered on the register by the planning authority, the site did not constitute regeneration land identified by the planning authority in a development plan or local area plan, as per the provisions of Section 3 of the Urban Regeneration and Housing Act 2015,

the Board considers that it is appropriate that a notice be issued to the planning authority who shall cancel the entry on the Vacant Sites Register.

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

Dated this day of 2020