

## Board Order ABP-303530-19

Planning and Development Acts 2000 to 2018

**Planning Authority: Meath County Council** 

Planning Register Reference Number: AA/180587

**APPEAL** by ESB Telecoms Limited of 43 Merrion Square East, Dublin against the decision made on the 19<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2018 by Meath County Council to refuse permission.

**Proposed Development:** The erection of a 36-metre high, free standing lattice type communications structure, carrying antennae and communication dishes, with associated ground-mounted equipment cabinets within a proposed 2.4-metre high palisade compound at Garlow Cross, Corballis, Navan, County Meath. Further public notices were received by the planning authority on the 30<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2018.

## 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**

Having regard to the sensitive location of the proposed development, within the Landscape Character Area 12 -Tara Skryne Hills and to panoramic views being available from certain locations from the heritage site of the Hill of Tara, to the lack of consideration of alternative locations and design options, it is considered that the proposed development would be contrary to Objective LC OBJ 5 and would impact on the National Protected View Number 44 as noted on Map 9.5.1 and in Appendix 12 of the Meath County Development Plan 2013-2019. It is considered that the proposed development would interfere with the panorama of this view and with the character of the heritage landscape, would seriously injure the amenities of the area and would be contrary to the proper planning and sustainable development of the area.

Terry Prendergast

Member of An Bord Pleanála

duly authorised to authenticate
the seal of the Board.

Dated this day of 2019.

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