

Board Order ABP-303648-19

Urban Regeneration and Housing Act 2015

Planning and Development Acts 2000 to 2019

Planning Authority: Wicklow County Council

Planning Register Reference Number: VS/RN/01

Appeal by Blessville Limited of IDA Business Park, Ballynattin, Arklow, County Wicklow in accordance with section 18 of the Urban Regeneration and Housing Act 2015, as amended, against a demand for payment of vacant site levy issued by Wicklow County Council on the 15th day of January, 2019 in respect of the site described below.

Description: Lands measuring 1.42 hectares at Charvey Lane, Rathnew, County Wicklow.

Decision

The Board in accordance with section 18(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 no longer a vacant site within the meaning of that Act.

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, and
- (d) the inclusion in the site of lands zoned as passive open space under the Wicklow and Rathnew Development Plan 2013-2019 which do not meet the definition of "regeneration land" set out at section 3 of the Urban Regeneration and Housing Act, 2015, as amended,

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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 and cancel the demand for payment.

Terry Prendergast

Member of An Bord Pleanála

duly authorised to authenticate
the seal of the Board.

Dated this day of 2020

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