

Board Order ABP-304095-19

Urban Regeneration and Housing Act 2015

Planning and Development Acts 2000 to 2019

Planning Authority: Wicklow County Council

Planning Authority Reference Number: VS/NTMK/18

Appeal by Oisin Development Company Limited care of Philip Flood of Los Arcos, Rocky Road, Wicklow, County Wicklow 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 Wicklow County Council on the 21st day of March, 2019 in respect of the site described below.

Description: Lands measuring 0.22 hectares at Main Street (opposite Druids Well pub), Newtownmountkennedy, County Wicklow.

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 a vacant site within the meaning of that Act for the period concerned.

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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 and the subsequent submissions from the planning authority and the appellant,
- (c) the report of the Inspector,
- (d) Policy HD19 of the Wicklow County Development Plan 2016-2022 and the provisions of the Local Area Plan for Newtownmountkennedy 2008-2018, in particular its zoning of the site for town centre activities, and
- (e) the disruption that the vacancy of the site causes to the streetscape along the Main Street of the town and the resulting injury to the character and amenities of the area,

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

Terry Ó Niadh Member of An Bord Pleanála duly authorised to authenticate the seal of the Board.

Dated this day of 2020

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