

Board Order ABP-305663-19

Planning and Development Acts 2000 to 2019

Planning Authority: Wicklow County Council

Planning Register Reference Number: 19/881

APPEAL by Warmridge Limited care of PD Lane Associates of 1 Church Road, Greystones, County Wicklow against the decision made on the 19th day of September, 2019 by Wicklow County Council to refuse permission.

Proposed Development: A proposed timber products manufacturing facility comprising: timber products manufacturing workshop including canteen, offices, toilet facilities (567.30 square metres), offices/administration building (124.80 square metres), yard for storage of timber products and parking of vehicles, display area for timber garden products, car parking facilities, access road, package sewage treatment system including soil polishing filter in accordance with Environmental Protection Agency, 2009 standards and ancillary site development works/services including landscaping/planting and boundary treatment. Access will be taken from Timmore Lane through the existing entrance and the overall development will also include improvement works to Timmore Lane and to the R772/Timmore Lane junction. All at Timmore, Newcastle, County Wicklow.

Decision

REFUSE permission for the above proposed development in accordance with the reasons and considerations set out below.

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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 the size and scale of the proposed timber manufacturing facility and offices taken together with the sales and display area and having regard to the objectives of the planning authority as set out in the current Wicklow County Development Plan including objectives RUR 1 and RUR 2, it is considered that the proposed development is excessive in scale and is not dependent on local resources. Furthermore, it is considered that the proposed development would seriously injure the rural amenities of the area and would detract to an undue degree from the rural character of the area. The proposed development would, therefore, be contrary to the objectives of the Wicklow County Development Plan 2016 – 2022, and would be contrary to the proper planning and sustainable development of the area.

Philip Jones

Member of An Bord Pleanála

duly authorised to authenticate
the seal of the Board.

Dated this day of 2020.

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