

Board Order ABP-306063-19

Planning and Development Acts 2000 to 2019 Planning Authority: Galway County Council Planning Register Reference Number: 19/1410

APPEAL by Peter Dillon care of Deely Chartered Engineers of Killamoat Lower, Rathdangan, Kiltegan, County Wicklow against the decision made on the 6th day of November, 2019 by Galway County Council to refuse permission to the said Peter Dillon.

Proposed Development: Construction of a dwellinghouse, garage, treatment unit and all associated services, all at Portumna Demesne, Portumna, County Galway.

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

- 1. The proposed development, including the provision of an additional entrance onto the R352 at a point marked by a continuous white line and where sightlines are severely restricted, would endanger public safety by reason of traffic hazard. The proposed development, by itself and by the precedent which the grant of permission for it would set for other relevant development, would adversely affect the use of a regional road by traffic and would be contrary to the proper planning and sustainable development of the area.
- 2. The proposed development, which would require the removal and alteration of the demesne walling of Portumna Demesne in order to improve sightlines, would be contrary to Objective AH6 and AH10 of the planning authority, as set out in the Galway County Development Plan 2015-2021, which seek to ensure the protection, retention and appropriate revitalisation of the vernacular built heritage and to promote the conservation of the essential character of designed landscapes, and would be contrary to the proper planning and sustainable development of the area.

Michelle Fagan Member of An Bord Pleanála duly authorised to authenticate the seal of the Board.

Dated this day of 2020.