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**Planning and Development Acts 2000 to 2019**

**Planning Authority: Clare County Council**

**Planning Register Reference Number: P19/887**

**APPEAL** by John Franklin care of Leahy Planning Limited of Mill Road House, Mill Road, Ennis, County Clare against the decision made on the 10<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2020 by Clare County Council to refuse permission.

**Proposed Development:** Retention of boundary wall with entrance gates at Summerhill, Meelick, County Clare.

**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 locational context of the site, within the Western Corridor Working Landscape, it is considered that the development for which retention is sought which comprises a large boundary wall with two entrance gates on a small landholding by reason of its scale, mass and design would detract from the visual and rural amenities of the area, would interfere with the character of the landscape, contrary to objective CDP13.3 of the Clare County Development Plan 2017-2023 and would set an undesirable precedent for similar future development in the area. The development for which retention is sought would, therefore, be contrary to the proper planning and sustainable development of the area.

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**Michelle Fagan**

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

**Dated this            day of            2020.**