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**Planning and Development Acts 2000 to 2019**

**Planning Authority: Meath County Council**

**Planning Register Reference Number: RA/191104**

**Appeal** by Siobhan O’Dea of 11 The Way, Milltree Park, Ratoath, County Meath against the decision made on the 17<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2020 by Meath County Council to grant subject to conditions a permission to Ratoath Sports Campus Limited care of Deaton Lysaght Architects of 44 South Richmond Street, Dublin in accordance with plans and particulars lodged with the said Council:

**Proposed Development:** The construction of new entrance gateway on north boundary fence opposite Mill Tree Way, and associated site works, all at Ratoath Sport Campus, Jamestown, Ratoath, County Meath.

**Decision**

**GRANT permission for the above proposed development in accordance with the said plans and particulars based on the reasons and considerations under and subject to the conditions 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 provisions of the Meath County Development Plan 2013 - 2019 (as varied), the Ratoath Local Area Plan 2009 - 2015 (as extended) and the land use zoning objective for open space purposes, to the history of the site as part of Ratoath Sports Campus and to the nature and the details of the usage of the proposed development, it is considered that, subject to compliance with the conditions set out below, the proposed development would not seriously injure the residential or visual amenities of the area, or impact adversely on public safety. The proposed development would, therefore, be in accordance with the proper planning and sustainable development of the area.

## Conditions

1. The development shall be carried out and completed in accordance with the plans and particulars lodged with the application, as amended by the further plans and particulars submitted on the 16<sup>th</sup> day of December 2019, except as may otherwise be required in order to comply with the following conditions. Where such conditions require details to be agreed with the planning authority, the developer shall agree such details in writing with the planning authority prior to commencement of development and the development shall be carried out and completed in accordance with the agreed particulars.

**Reason:** In the interest of clarity.

2. The proposed new entrance shall be used only for emergency purposes and to facilitate intermittent access for maintenance vehicles. A sign indicating this requirement shall be erected on the gate. The entrance shall not be used to facilitate access for members of the public, players, athletes or spectators.

**Reason:** In the interests of amenity and of traffic and pedestrian safety.

3. The construction of the proposed new entrance shall comply with the requirements of the planning authority for such works. In this regard, the works to the footpath, cycleway and grass verge shall comply with the National Cycle Manual.

**Reason:** In the interests of amenity and of traffic and pedestrian safety.

4. The external finish, height and colour of the proposed gateway shall match that of the existing palisade fence.

**Reason:** In the interest of visual amenity.

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

**Dated this            day of            2020.**