



Planning and Development Acts 2000 to 2020

Planning Authority: Limerick City and County Council

Planning Register Reference Number: L19.01

Appeal by Antoinette Coffey on behalf of residents of Coolraine Heights and Woodview Estates of 1 Coolraine Heights, Old Cratloe Road, Limerick against the decision made on the 23rd day of April, 2020 by Limerick City and County Council to grant, subject to conditions, a licence to Signal Infrastructure Limited care of Jason Redmond and Associates of 5 Lismard Court, Portlaoise, County Laois.

Application: Licence for the erection of a 15-metre high mobile telecommunications monopole to accommodate 2G, 3G and 4G antennae and two ancillary operator cabinets, along the public road or street at Woodview Shopping Centre, Old Cratloe Road, Limerick.

Decision

In exercise of the powers conferred on it under section 254 of the Planning and Development Act, 2000, as amended, An Bord Pleanála hereby DISALLOWS the appeal based on the reasons and considerations under and directs the planning authority to grant a licence 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 section 254 of the Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended, to national, regional and local policy objectives, as represented in the Limerick City Development Plan 2010 (as extended), to support the development of a sustainable telecommunications network throughout the city, to the Department of Environment, Heritage and Local Government section 28 Statutory Guidelines, "Telecommunications Antennae and Support Structures: Guidelines for Planning Authorities, 1996, as updated by circular letter PL 07/12 in 2012, and to the nature and scale of the 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 of property in the vicinity, would not be prejudicial to public health and would be acceptable in terms of traffic safety and convenience. The proposed development would, therefore, be in accordance with the proper planning and sustainable development of the area.

Conditions

1. (a) The licence shall be valid for a period of three years only from the date of this Order. The telecommunications structure and related ancillary structures shall then be removed unless, prior to the end of the period, a further licence under section 254 of the Planning and Development Act, 2000, as amended, has been granted for their retention for a further period.

- (b) The site shall be reinstated on removal of the telecommunications structure and ancillary structures. Details relating to the removal and reinstatement shall be submitted to, and agreed in writing with, the planning authority at least one month before the date of expiry of this licence.

Reason: To enable the impact and acceptability of the development to be reassessed, having regard to changes in technology and design during the specified period.

2. No advertisement or advertisement structure shall be erected or displayed on the proposed structure or within the curtilage of the site.

Reason: In the interest of the visual amenities of the area.

John Connolly

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

Dated this day of 2020.