

An
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Pleanála

Board Order
ABP-307551-20

Planning and Development Acts 2000 to 2020

Planning Authority: Louth County Council

Planning Register Reference Number: 19955

APPEAL by Malone Oil Products care of EHP Services of 154 Riverside Drive, Red Barns Road, Dundalk, County Louth against the decision made on the 11th day of June, 2020 by Louth County Council to refuse permission for the proposed development.

Proposed Development: (1) Proposed new concrete yard area within the confines of existing site, served by the provision of existing attenuation/drainage system incorporated within recent refurbished oil depot granted previously under planning reference 17514 and (2) provision of 24 hour Fuel Card system with the installation of two number dispenser units at Glebe, Ardee, County Louth.

Decision

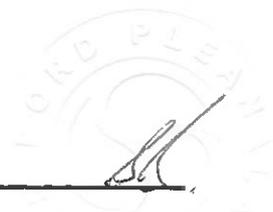
REFUSE permission for the above proposed development in accordance with the reasons and considerations set out below.

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

The site of the proposed development is located in close proximity to a significant junction linking the N2 and N33 national roads and the R171 regional road (Carrickmacross Road Roundabout). This junction forms an integral part of the National Road Network. The Board is not satisfied, on the basis of the information submitted with the application, appeal and the response to the Section 132 notice, that the proposed development, would not give rise to vehicle turning movements in proximity to the roundabout junction which would interfere with the safe flow of traffic on the public road and the level of service and carrying capacity of the national road infrastructure at this location. The proposed development would, therefore, be contrary to the policies of the County Development Plan and the government's Spatial Planning and National Roads Guidelines for Planning Authorities issued by the Department of the Environment, Community and Local Government in January 2012, which seek to preserve the level of service provision and the carrying capacity of the National Road Network, and to the proper planning and sustainable development of the area.



In deciding not to accept the Inspector's recommendation to grant permission, the Board agreed with the Inspector's concerns that there is a lack of clarity regarding the number of customers/vehicles likely to use the proposed facility and the risk of intensification of the site, but considered that these matters could not be adequately addressed by condition.



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



Dated this *28* day of *July* 2021.