

Board Order ABP-307834-20

Planning and Development Acts 2000 to 2020 Planning Authority: Roscommon County Council. Planning Register Reference Number: PD/19/584

WHEREAS a question has arisen as to whether the use of an existing breakwater at Lough Allen Lodge, Tawlaght Townland, Lough Allen, County Roscommon is or is not development or is or is not exempted development:

AND WHEREAS Saskia de Jong of Lecarrow or Strandhill, Drumkeeran, County Leitrim requested a declaration on this question from Roscommon County Council on the 6th day of July, 2020:

AND WHEREAS the said question was referred to An Bord Pleanála by Roscommon County Council on the 4th day of August, 2020:

AND WHEREAS An Bord Pleanála, in considering this referral, had regard particularly to -

- (a) Sections 2, 3 and 4 of the Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended,
- (b) the planning history of the site,
- (c) the pattern of development in the area, and
- (d) the submissions on file from the referrer and the stated owner/occupier of the subject residential property:

AND WHEREAS An Bord Pleanála has concluded that -

- (a) historical mapping of the site indicates the existence of a quay and associated infrastructure at this location during the mid-nineteenth century, while there is also evidence of a physical feature existing in the same position as the subject breakwater since 2013 to 2015; and
- (b) substantive evidence of works to this breakwater or a material change of use of this breakwater conforming to development within the meaning of Section 3 of the Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended, has not been provided or identified:

NOW THEREFORE An Bord Pleanála, in exercise of the powers conferred on it by section 5 (4) of the 2000 Act, hereby decides that the use of the existing breakwater at Lough Allen Lodge, Tawlaght Townland, Lough Allen, County Roscommon, is not development.

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.

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

Dated this day of 2021.