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**Planning and Development Acts 2000 to 2020**

**Planning Authority: Louth County Council**

**Planning Register Reference Number: 191013**

**APPEAL** by Brinto Taverns Limited care of ODM Building Surveyors and Engineers Limited of Wesley House, Jocelyn Street, Dundalk, County Louth against the decision made on the 7<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2020 by Louth County Council to refuse permission to Brinto Taverns Limited.

**Proposed Development** Retention of a white canopy structure, bar and metal clad roof structure over existing beer garden and metal clad awning to existing smoking area at the rear, all at The Neptune Public House, Main Street, Blackrock, 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**

On the basis of the information provided in connection with the planning application and the appeal, the Board is not satisfied that the development for which retention permission is sought does not relate to a beer garden and smoking area use which is not authorised and that the development proposed for retention including the new bar, canopy structure and metal clad roofs would, therefore, facilitate the consolidation and intensification of a use which is not authorised. In such circumstances, it is considered that it would be inappropriate for the Board to consider a grant of permission for the development proposed for retention.

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**John Connolly**

**Member of An Bord Pleanála**

**duly authorised to authenticate  
the seal of the Board.**

**Dated this            day of            2021.**