

Board Order ABP-308359-20

Planning and Development Acts 2000 to 2020 Planning Authority: Kerry County Council Planning Register Reference Number: 20/643

**APPEAL** by Neil Collins care of Coakley O'Neill Town Planning Limited of NSC Campus, Mahon, Cork against the decision made on the 10<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2020 by Kerry County Council to refuse permission.

**Proposed Development:** Construction of a two-storey dwelling within the ruins of Doon Church, which is a protected structure, subsurface groundworks to repair and reinforce damaged sections of the ruin church wall, the addition of an ope made through the existing western gable of the ruin, connection to main sewer, drain and watermains, car parking, landscaping and all associated site development works at Doon Church, Doon West, Ballybunion, County Kerry.

## 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 proposed development would have a serious adverse impact on the Protected Structure Doon Church (Ref RPS-KY-4-24 NIAH Ref 21300407) which is of architectural, historical and social importance. The proposed development, by reason of its design and layout, would seriously detract from the setting and character of a Protected Structure in a manner that would be contrary to the Architectural Heritage Protection Guidelines for Planning Authorities issued by the Department of Arts, Heritage and The Gaeltacht in October, 2011, and contrary to objective H-38 of the Kerry County Development Plan 2015-2021, would seriously injure the amenities of the area and would, therefore, be contrary to the proper planning and sustainable development of the area.

> John Connolly Member of An Bord Pleanála duly authorised to authenticate the seal of the Board

> > day of

Dated this

2021