

Board Order ABP-308372-20

Planning and Development Acts 2000 to 2020

Planning Authority: Kildare County Council

Planning Register Reference Number: 19/1030

Appeal by Thomas Farrell of Scarletstown, Newbridge, County Kildare against the decision made on the 11th day of September, 2020 by Kildare County Council to grant subject to conditions a permission to ESB Telecoms Limited of 43 Merrion Square, Dublin in accordance with plans and particulars lodged with the said Council.

Proposed Development: Construction of a 36-metre high, free standing lattice type communication structure, carrying antennae and dishes, enclosed within a proposed 2.4-metre high palisade compound at Electricity Supply Board's Newbridge 110kV substation Site, townland of part of Roseberry, Newbridge, County Kildare.

Decision

GRANT permission for the above proposed development in accordance with the said plans and particulars based on the reasons and considerations under and 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:

- (a) the Guidelines relating to telecommunications antennae and support structures which were issued by the Department of the Environment and Local Government to planning authorities in July, 1996, as updated by Circular Letter PL/07/12 issued by the Department of the Environment, Community and Local Government on the 19th day of October, 2012.
- (b) the policy of the planning authority, as set out in the Kildare County

 Development Plan 2017-2023, to support the provision of
 telecommunications infrastructure,

- (c) the established electricity infrastructure adjoining the site,
- (d) the general topography and landscape features in the vicinity of the site, and
- (e) the existing pattern of development in the vicinity,

it is considered that, subject to compliance with the conditions set out below, the proposed development would not seriously injure the amenities of the area or those of adjacent residents and would be in accordance with the proper planning and sustainable development of the area.

Conditions

The development shall be carried out and completed in accordance with the plans and particulars lodged with the application, as amended by the further plans and particulars submitted on the 19th day of August, 2020, except as may otherwise be required in order to comply with the following conditions. Where such conditions require details to be agreed with the planning authority, the developer shall agree such details in writing with the planning authority prior to commencement of development and the development shall be carried out and completed in accordance with the agreed particulars.

Reason: In the interest of clarity.

 Details of the proposed colour scheme for the telecommunications structure, ancillary structures and fencing shall be submitted to, and agreed in writing with, the planning authority prior to commencement of development.

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

Within six months of the cessation of use, the telecommunications structure and ancillary structures shall be removed and the site shall be reinstated. Details relating to the removal and reinstatement shall be submitted to, and agreed in writing with, the planning authority prior to commencement of development.

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

A low intensity fixed red obstacle light shall be fitted as close to the top of the mast as practicable and shall be visible from all angles in azimuth. Details of this light, its location and period of operation shall be submitted to, and agreed in writing with, the planning authority prior to commencement of development.

Reason: In the interest of public safety.

Paul Hyde

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

Dated this 16th day of June 2021.