

# Board Order ABP-309348-21

Planning and Development Acts 2000 to 2020

**Planning Authority: Wexford County Council** 

Planning Register Reference Number: 20201383

Appeal by Enda Howard of 5 Corrigeene, Ballinaboola, Foulksmills, County Wexford against the decision made on the 15<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2021 by Wexford County Council to grant subject to conditions a permission to Vodafone Ireland Limited care of Towercom of Usher House, Main Street, Dundrum, Dublin in accordance with plans and particulars lodged with the said Council.

Proposed Development: The replacement of an existing telecommunications stayed pole support structure and attached equipment with a proposed new lattice tower support structure (overall height of 21.5 metres) carrying the relocated equipment and the addition of new telecommunications antennas, dishes and associated equipment, together with new ground equipment cabinets and fencing, and the removal of an existing disused wooden pole (10 metres in height). All at Eir Exchange, Ballinaboola, Newbawn, County Wexford.



#### 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 the National Planning Framework, the Wexford County Development Plan 2013 -2019 (as extended), the Telecommunications Antennae and Support Structures — Guidelines for Planning Authorities, 1996 and associated Circular Letter PL 07/12, the existing pattern of development in the area and existing use of the site, and the nature and scale of the proposed development, it is considered that, subject to compliance with the conditions set out below, the proposed development would not seriously injure the landscape character and visual amenity of the area or the amenities of property in the vicinity. The proposed development would, therefore, 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, 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.

 The site shall be landscaped in accordance with a comprehensive scheme of landscaping, details of which shall be submitted to, and agreed in writing with, the planning authority prior to commencement of development.

Reason: In the interest of visual amenity.

 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.

4. Within six months of the date of cessation of use, the telecommunications structure and ancillary structures shall be removed, and the site shall be reinstated at the developer's expense. Details relating to the removal and reinstatement shall be submitted to, and agreed in writing with, the planning authority prior to the date of cessation of the use of the structure.

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

5. Surface water drainage arrangements for the proposed development shall comply with the requirements of the planning authority.

Reason: In the interest of public health.

 No advertisement or advertisement structure shall be erected or displayed on the proposed structure or its appendages or within the curtilage of the site without a prior grant of planning permission.

