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Board Order
ABP-309903-21

Planning and Development Acts 2000 to 2020

Planning Authority: Mayo County Council

Planning Register Reference Number: P21/54

Appeal by Eircom Limited care of FocusPlus Limited of N3 Arbourfield House, Dundrum Business Park, Dundrum Road, Dublin against the decision made on the 22nd day of March, 2021 by Mayo County Council to refuse permission for the proposed development.

Proposed Development: Construction of a 30 metre high free-standing communications structure (total height with antennas 30.05 metres) with its associated antennae, communication dishes, ground equipment and all associated site development works at Eircom Exchange, Cuilbeg, Brickens, Claremorris, County Mayo. The development will form part of Eircom Limited's existing telecommunications and broadband network

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 provisions of the national and regional policy, the Mayo County Development Plan 2014-2020, the “Telecommunications Antennae and Support Structures – Guidelines for Planning Authorities” issued by the Department of Environment and Local Government in July, 1996 and associated Circular Letter PL07/12, and the nature and scale of the proposed development within an existing and established Eircom telecommunications exchange it is considered that, subject to compliance with the conditions set out below, the proposed development would not seriously injure the amenities and character of the area or of property in the vicinity and would assist in the provision of essential telecommunications coverage to the area. The proposed development would, therefore, be in accordance with the proper planning and sustainable development of the area.

Conditions

1. The development shall be carried out and completed in accordance with the plans and particulars lodged with the application and with the appeal, 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.

2. Details of the proposed colour scheme for the telecommunications structure, ancillary structures and suitable fencing to restrict access to the site to authorised personnel 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 and public safety.

3. The antennae type and mounting configuration shall be in accordance with the details submitted with this application and notwithstanding the provisions of the Planning and Development Regulations 2001, and any statutory provision amending or replacing them, shall not be altered without prior grant of planning permission.

Reason: To clarify the nature and extent of the permitted development to which this permission relates and to facilitate a full assessment of any future alterations.

4. 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.

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.

6. The proposed mast and all associated antennae, equipment and fencing shall be demolished and removed from site when it is no longer required. The site shall be reinstated to its predevelopment condition at the expense of the developer.

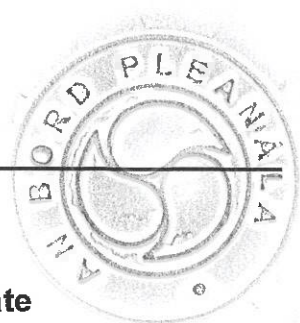
Reason: In the interest of orderly development.

7. The construction of the development shall be managed in accordance with a Construction Management Plan, which shall be submitted to, and agreed in writing with the planning authority prior to commencement of development. This plan shall provide details of traffic management during the construction phase, including details of road signage, warning the public of the entrance and of proposals for traffic management at the site entrance during construction. Details of intended construction practice for the development, including hours of working, noise management measures and off-site disposal of construction/demolition waste shall also be outlined in this plan.

Reason: In the interests of public safety and amenity.


Michelle Fagan

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



Dated this  day of  2021.