

Board Order ABP-310582-21

Planning and Development Acts 2000 to 2020

Planning Authority: Clare County Council

Planning Register Reference Number: P21/148

Appeal by Anne Fallon Hussey of Lakyle, O'Callaghan's Mills, County Clare against the decision made on the 26th day of May, 2021 by Clare County Council to grant subject to conditions a permission to Thomas Meehan care of Philip Farrelly and Partners of 54 Cathedral Court, Clare Road, Ennis, County Clare in accordance with plans and particulars lodged with the said Council:

Proposed Development: Construction of a slatted unit with an underground slurry storage tank for housing livestock on farm at Lakyle, O'Callaghan's Mills, County Clare.

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 rural location of the site, together with the pattern of development in the area and the provisions of the Clare County Development Plan 2017-2023 (as varied), it is considered that, subject to the compliance with the conditions set out below, that the proposed slatted cattle shed, site entrance and all associated site works, would not seriously injure the general or residential amenities of the area and would be acceptable in terms of traffic safety and convenience. The proposed development would, therefore, be in accordance with the proper planning and sustainable development of the area.

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Conditions

1. 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 29th day of April, 2021, 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.

- Water supply and drainage arrangements for the site, including the disposal of surface and soiled water, shall comply with the requirements of the planning authority for such works and services. In this regard-
 - uncontaminated surface water run-off shall be disposed of directly in a sealed system, and
 - (b) all soiled waters shall be directed to a storage tank.

Drainage details shall be submitted to, and agreed in writing with, the planning authority and the applicant shall submit written confirmation, accompanied by photographs, to demonstrate that said works have been satisfactorily undertaken. No animals will be housed in the slatted shed until such time as this condition is complied with.

Reason: In the interest of environmental protection and public health.

- 3. The slatted shed shall be used only in strict accordance with a management schedule which shall be submitted to, and agreed in writing with, the planning authority prior to commencement of development. The management schedule shall be in accordance with the European Union (Good Agricultural Practice for Protection of Waters) (Amendment) Regulations, 2017, as amended, and shall provide at least for the following:
 - (1) Details of the number and types of animals to be housed.
 - (2) The arrangements for the collection, storage and disposal of slurry.
 - (3) Arrangements for the cleansing of the buildings and structures (including the public road, where relevant).

Reason: In order to avoid pollution and to protect residential amenity.

4. All foul effluent and slurry generated by the proposed development and in the farmyard shall be conveyed through properly constructed channels to the proposed and existing storage facilities and no effluent or slurry shall discharge or be allowed to discharge to any stream, river or watercourse, or to the public road.

Reason: In the interest of public health.

5. All uncontaminated roof water from buildings and clean yard water shall be separately collected and discharged in a sealed system to existing drains, streams or adequate soakpits and shall not discharge or be allowed to discharge to the foul effluent drains, foul effluent and slurry storage tanks or to the public road.

Reason: In order to ensure that the capacity of effluent and storage tanks is reserved for their specific purposes.

6. Slurry generated by the proposed development shall be disposed of by spreading on land, or by other means acceptable in writing to the planning authority. The location, rate and time of spreading (including prohibited times for spreading) and the buffer zones to be applied shall be in accordance with the requirements of the European Union (Good Agricultural Practice for Protection of Waters) (Amendment) Regulations, 2017, as amended.

Reason: To ensure the satisfactory disposal of waste material, in the interest of amenity, public health and to prevent pollution of watercourses.

Michelle Fagan

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

Dated this 22 day of Ochby 2021