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Board Order
ABP-310586-21

Planning and Development Acts 2000 to 2021

Planning Authority: Waterford City and County Council

Planning Register Reference Number: 20/394

Appeal by Wild Ireland Defense CLG care of Peter Sweetman and Associates of 113 Lower Rathmines Road, Dublin and by Others against the decision made on the 25th day of May, 2021 by Waterford City and County Council to grant permission, subject to conditions, to Fenor Pig Farms Limited care of Curtin Agricultural Consultants Limited of 12 The Paddocks, Kells Road, Kilkenny.

Proposed Development: Demolition of existing pig houses, associated buildings and slurry stores and construct a 960 sow integrated pig farm (birth to slaughter) consisting of seven pig houses, associated slurry tanks, a covered pig loading race, a feed mixing shed, a feed mill and workshop building, an electricity control building, a building with office, canteen, showers and WC, a wastewater treatment system, and associated site works, all at Carrigroe Pig Farm, Carrigroe, Ballynamult, County Waterford. The proposed development was revised by further public notices received by the planning authority on the 1st day of April, 2021.

Decision

REFUSE permission for the above proposed development in accordance with the reasons and considerations set out below.

Reasons and Considerations

On the basis of the information provided with the application and appeal, including the revised Natura Impact Statement received by the Board, and in light of the assessment carried out by the Inspector, which the Board agreed with and adopted, the Board is not satisfied that the proposed development individually, or in combination with other plans or projects, would not adversely affect the integrity of European sites Blackwater River (Cork/Waterford) Special Area of Conservation (Site Code: 002170), Nier Valley Woodlands Special Area of Conservation (Site Code: 000668), Lower River Suir Special Area of Conservation (Site Code: 002137) and Comeragh Mountains Special Area of Conservation (Site Code: 001952), in view of the site's Conservation Objectives. In such circumstances, the Board is precluded from granting permission.



Patricia Calleary

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

Dated this *24th* day of *May* 2023