

An
Bord
Pleanála

Board Order ABP-310725-21

Derelict Sites Act, 1990

Planning and Development Acts, 2000 to 2020

Planning Authority: Limerick City and County Council

Application received by An Bord Pleanála on the 23rd day of June, 2021 from Limerick City and County Council pursuant to section 16 of the Derelict Sites Act, 1990, as amended, for consent to the compulsory acquisition of a site at Bridge Street, Knocklong, County Limerick and as more particularly described in the notice of intention to compulsorily acquire the site.

Decision

REFUSE consent to the compulsory acquisition of the said site, based on the reasons and considerations set out below.

Matters Considered

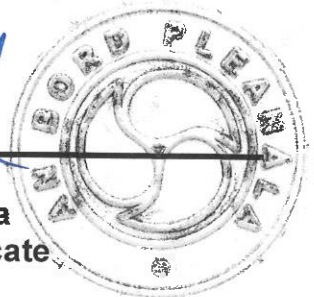
In making its decision, the Board had regard to those matters to which, by virtue of the Planning and Development Acts and Regulations made thereunder, it was required to have regard. Such matters included any submissions and observations received by it in accordance with statutory provisions.

Reasons and Considerations

Having regard to the derelict state of the buildings on the site, as distinct from the adjoining lands to the side and rear of these buildings, and to their neglected, unsightly and objectionable condition, it is considered that the buildings detract to a material degree from the amenity, character and appearance of land in the neighbourhood and, therefore, come within the definition of a derelict site as set out in section 3(a) and (b) of the Derelict Sites Act, 1990, as amended. However, it is also considered that the owner has shown some willingness to attend to the dereliction on site and, while the more substantive issue of the derelict state of the buildings remains outstanding, planning permissions have been obtained that, if implemented, would ensure that the dereliction is remedied. Accordingly, the Board considers that it would be appropriate to afford the owner the opportunity to do so and so, in these circumstances, it would be premature to confirm the local authority's compulsory acquisition of the site at this time.



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



Dated this 23rd day of December 2021