

Planning and Development Acts 2000 to 2020

Planning Authority: Meath County Council

Planning Register Reference Number: 21/94

Appeal by Ian Manning of The Minor, Newtown Girley, Fordstown, County Meath against the decision made on the 11th day of June, 2021 by Meath County Council to grant subject to conditions a permission to Eircom Limited care of Entrust Limited of Unit 3F, Deerpark Business Centre, Oranmore, County Galway in accordance with plans and particulars lodged with the said Council:

Proposed Development: Removal of an existing 10 metres telecommunication pole with dishes on it and replacement with a new 21 metres slimline monopole carrying antennas, relocated dishes, additional dish, associated equipment, ground-based equipment cabinets and all associated site development works at the eir Exchange, R164 Road, Newtown Girley, Fordstown, Navan, County Meath. The development will provide for wireless data and broadband services. The proposed development was revised by further public notices received by the planning authority on the 18th day of May, 2021.

Decision

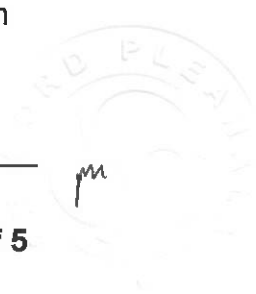
GRANT permission for the above proposed development in accordance with the said plans and particulars based on the reasons and considerations under and subject to the conditions set out below.

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 nature and scale of the proposed development for the replacement of an existing 10 metres telecommunications support structure with a 21 metres monopole carrying telecommunications equipment with ancillary ground-mounted infrastructure, the Board considered that the proposed development, subject to compliance with the conditions set out below, would be in accordance with the Telecommunications Antennae and Support Structures – Guidelines for Planning Authorities issued by the Department of the Environment and Local Government in 1996 and with the policies and objectives of the Meath County Development Plan 2021-2027 and the RA zoning for the site, and would not seriously injure the visual or residential amenities of the area or the amenities of property in the vicinity of the site. The proposed development would, therefore, be in accordance with the proper planning and sustainable development of the area.



Conditions

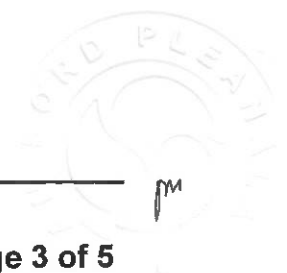
1. The development shall be carried out and completed in accordance with the plans and particulars lodged with the application, as amended by the further plans and particulars received by the planning authority on the 26th day of April 2021, except as may otherwise be required in order to comply with 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.

2. Drainage arrangements, including the disposal of surface water, shall comply with the requirements of the planning authority for such works and services.

Reason: In the interest of public health.

3. 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. All landscaping shall be carried out no later than the first planting season following commencement of development on site.



All planting shall be adequately protected from damage until established. Any plants which die or become seriously damaged or diseased, shall be replaced within the next planting season with others of similar size and species, unless otherwise agreed in writing with the planning authority.

Reason: In the interest of visual amenity.

4. Details of the material finish and colour of the telecommunications support structure and associated equipment shall be submitted to, and agreed in writing with, the planning authority prior to commencement of development.

Reason: In the interest of visual amenity.

5. The developer shall provide and make available at reasonable terms, the proposed communications structure for the provision of the mobile telecommunications antenna of third party licensed mobile telecommunications operators.

Reason: In the interests of visual amenity and the proper planning and sustainable development of the area.

6. 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 intended construction practice for the development, including hours of working, noise management measures and off-site disposal of construction/demolition waste.

Reason: In the interests of public safety and residential amenity.

7. A low intensity fixed red obstacle light shall be fitted as close to the top of the mast as practicable and shall be visible from all angles in azimuth. Details of this light, its location and period of operation shall be submitted to, and agreed in writing with, the planning authority prior to commencement of development.

Reason: In the interest of public safety.



Paul Hyde

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

Dated this *20th* day of *December* 2021.