

Board Order ABP-310747-21

Planning and Development Acts 2000 to 2021

Planning Authority: Kerry County Council

Planning Register Reference Number: 21/455

Appeal by Eircom Limited care of FocusPlus Limited of N3 Arbourfield House, Dundrum Business Park, Dundrum Road, Dublin against the decision made on the 21st day of June, 2021 by Kerry County Council to refuse permission for the proposed development.

Proposed Development: Construction of an 18-metre- high free-standing communications structure with associated antennae, communication dishes, ground equipment and all site development works at Killerick, Tralee, County Kerry.

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:

- (a) the National policy regarding the provision of mobile and telecommunications services,
- (b) the Telecommunications Antennae and Support Structures Guidelines for Planning Authorities, issued by the Department of the Environment and Local Government in July 1996, as updated by circular Letter PL07/12, issued by the Department of the Environment, Community and Local Government on the 19th of October 2012.
- (c) the policy of the planning authority as set out in Tralee Town Plan (2009 as extended) and Kerry County Development Plan (2015), to support the provision of telecommunications infrastructure,
- (d) the location of the site within a Mixed Use (M4) zone and within a site used for utilities and the existing pattern of development in the area, and
- (e) the nature and scale of the proposed telecommunications support infrastructure.

the Board considered that, subject to compliance with the conditions set out below, the proposed development would not seriously injure the visual or residential amenities of the area and would not be contrary to the overall provisions of the current development plans for the area. The proposed development would, therefore, be in accordance with the proper planning and sustainable development of the area.

Conditions

The development shall be carried out and completed in accordance with the plans and particulars lodged with the application, as amended by the further particulars received by An Bord Pleanála on the 5th day of July 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 attenuation and disposal of surface and soiled water, shall comply with the requirements of the planning authority for such works and services.

Reason: In the interest of public health.

3. The transmitter power output, antenna type and mounting configuration shall be in accordance with the details submitted with the 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 a prior grant of 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. Details of the proposed colour scheme for the telecommunications structure, ancillary structures and fencing shall be submitted to, and agreed in writing with, the planning authority prior to the commencement of development.

Reason: In the interest of the visual amenities of the area.

5. The proposed cabinets at the base of the free-standing structure shall be acoustically insulated in order to minimise any potential noise nuisance to the occupants of nearby residential units. Details of the insulated cabinets shall be submitted to, and agreed in writing with, the planning authority prior to the commencement of development.

Reason: In the interests of orderly development and residential amenity.

6. Site development and building works shall be carried out only between the hours of 0800 and 1900 Monday to Friday inclusive, between 0800 and 1400 hours on Saturdays and not at all on Sundays of Public Holidays. Deviation from these times will only be allowed in exceptional circumstances where prior written approval has been received from the planning authority.

Reason: In order to safeguard the residential amenities of property in the vicinity.

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 intended construction practice for the development including noise management measures and off-site disposal of construction and demolition waste.

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

Paul Hyde

Member of An Bord Pleanála duly authorised to authenticate

the seal of the Board.

Dated this / day of February 2022.