

An  
Bord  
Pleanála

Board Order  
ABP-311035-21

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**Planning and Development Acts 2000 to 2020**

**Planning Authority: Galway City Council**

**Planning Register Reference Number: LIC2021-02**

**Appeal** by Signal Infrastructure Limited care of David Mulcahy Planning Consultants of 67 The Old Mill Race, Athgarvan, County Kildare against the decision made on the 12<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2021 by Galway City Council to refuse to grant a licence.

**Licence Application:** Erection of a 15 metres high telecommunications monopole structure within a residential neighbourhood at Renmore Park, Renmore, Galway.

## **Decision**

In exercise of the powers conferred on it under section 254 of the Planning and Development Act, 2000, as amended, An Bord Pleanála directs the planning authority to refuse to grant a licence, based on the Reasons and Considerations under.

## 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.

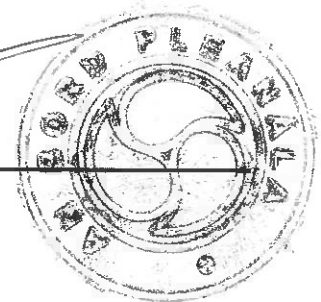
## Reasons and Considerations

Having regard to the government's guidelines on "Telecommunications Antennae and Support Structures - Guidelines for Planning Authorities" issued by the Department of the Environment and Local Government in July, 1996, to the policies of the Galway City Development Plan 2017 - 2023, and to the nature and scale of the proposed development and its location within an open space area within a residential area, it is considered that insufficient evidence has been provided in respect of alternative sites to support the location of the development.

It is considered, therefore, that the proposed development would negatively impact on the general amenity of the area, including the value of this public space which includes an area of outdoor dining space associated with the adjacent café. The development would, therefore, conflict with government policy which seeks to direct such development away from residential areas and would be contrary to the proper planning and sustainable development of the area.

  
Paul Hyde

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



Dated this 13<sup>th</sup> day of December 2021.