



Planning and Development Acts 2000 to 2021

Planning Authority: Tipperary County Council

Planning Register Reference Number: 21/701

APPEAL by Eircom Limited care of Towercom of Usher House, Main Street, Dundrum, Dublin against the decision made on the 13th day of July, 2021 by Tipperary County Council to refuse permission for the proposed development.

Proposed Development: Erection of a 15-metre-high monopole telecommunications support structure together with antennas, dishes and associated equipment and removal of the existing 10-metre-high timber communications pole with antenna at Eir Exchange, St. Patrick's Place, Fethard, County Tipperary. The proposed development is within the curtilage of a Stone Archway (RPS 219), a Protected Structure.

Decision

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

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Reasons and Considerations

Having regard to the location of the application site in the centre of Fethard and within the Fethard Architectural Conservation Area, it is considered that, by reason of its specific positioning within the site, the proposed telecommunications structure would be unduly prominent and would adversely affect the Architectural Conservation Area. The proposed development would be contrary to Specific Objective SO14 of the Tipperary County Development Plan 2022-2028, Volume 2 (Fethard), which seeks to enhance and manage the character and visual appearance of the Architectural Conservation Area. Furthermore, it is considered that the specific positioning of the proposed telecommunications structure within the site, in close proximity to the adjacent house (to the south), and notwithstanding the utilities function of the site, would seriously injure the residential amenities of that property. The proposed development would, therefore, be contrary to the proper planning and sustainable development of the area.



Patricia Calleary

Member of An Bord Pleanála

duly authorised to authenticate

the seal of the Board.



Dated this 13th day of December 2022.