



Planning and Development Acts 2000 to 2021

Planning Authority: Kilkenny County Council

Planning Register Reference Number: 21/545

APPEAL by City Cinemas Limited of Astor House, 29 Lower George's Street, Dún Laoghaire, County Dublin against the decision made on the 16th day of August, 2021 by Kilkenny County Council to refuse permission.

Proposed Development: Provision of a new temporary car park for a period of up to five years, containing 62 number car parking spaces, minor alterations to the existing vehicular entrances off Barrack Street, provision of signage to the southern gable elevation of 14 Barack Street, and part removal of existing boundary fencing to provide pedestrian access to the adjacent cinema site, together with all associated site and ancillary works, all to the rear of 14 Barrack Street, Kilkenny City, County Kilkenny.

Decision

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

Reasons and Considerations

Having regard to the provisions of the Kilkenny City and Council Development Plan including Objective C5F which seeks to implement strategies to meet the modal share targets and Objective C5G which seeks to achieve a modal shift away from the private car to walking or cycling in accordance with the targets set out in Table 4.2 for Kilkenny City and in the absence of an evidence based justification for the need to deliver the quantum of car parking proposed for a period of five years at this location, it is considered that the proposed development would militate against these targets and objectives which are considered reasonable. It is also considered that the proposed development would be contrary to supporting national and regional planning that aim for a greater modal share of sustainable and active travel modes. The proposed development would, therefore, be contrary to the proper planning and sustainable development of the area.

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**duly authorised to authenticate
the seal of the Board.**



Dated this *20* day of *December* 2022.