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**Planning and Development Acts 2000 to 2021**

**Planning Authority: Wicklow County Council**

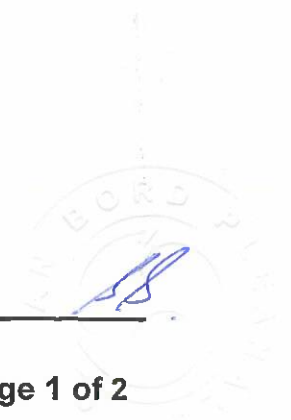
**Planning Register Reference Number: 21/154**

**APPEAL** by Rocket Pyrotechnics care of OTE Solutions of Dublin Road, Arklow, County Wicklow against the decision made on the 29<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2021 by Wicklow County Council to refuse permission.

**Proposed Development:** Installation of a 40-foot metal shipping container with 3.2 metres high earth mounding to all sides for the safe and secure storage of pyrotechnics (class 1 hazardous goods) along with a four metres square timber packing shed for the packing and unpacking of pyrotechnics, underground fire water storage tanks, security fencing and all associated site development works at Toberpatrick, Tinahely, County Wicklow.

## **Decision**

**REFUSE** permission for the above proposed development in accordance with the reasons and considerations 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 rural location and the nature and scale of the proposed development and the objectives of the Wicklow County Development Plan 2016-2022 as they relate to commercial development in a rural area, the lack of a sufficient justification for the provision of a pyrotechnics storage facility at this location, and the surrounding pattern of development in the area, it is considered that the proposed development would represent haphazard sporadic development in a rural area, would be contrary to the objectives of the current County Development Plan to only permit commercial developments in a rural area where there is a proven need to locate therein and would be detrimental to the rural character of the area. The proposed development would, therefore, be contrary to the proper planning and sustainable development.



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**Stephen Bohan**

**Member of An Bord Pleanála**

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



Dated this *9<sup>th</sup>* day of *February* 2022