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Board Order
ABP-311252-21

Planning and Development Acts 2000 to 2021

Planning Authority: Mayo County Council

Planning Register Reference Number: P21/155

Appeal by Bernice and Peter McDonnell care of Patrick N. Costello of Knockmore, Manulla, Castlebar, County Mayo against the decision made on the 6th day of August, 2021 by Mayo County Council to grant subject to conditions a permission to Eircom Limited care of FocusPlus Limited of 3 Arbourfield House, Dundrum Business Park, Windy Arbour, Dublin in accordance with plans and particulars lodged with the said Council.

Proposed Development: Construction of an 18-metre-high-free standing communications structure with its associated antennae, communication dishes, ground equipment and all associated site development works. The development will form part of Eircom Limited existing telecommunications and broadband network, at Eircom Exchange, Cuillare, Belcarra, Castlebar, County Mayo.

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.

Reasons and Considerations

Having regard to the National Planning Framework, the Mayo County Development Plan 2014, the Telecommunications Antennae and Support Structures - Guidelines for Planning Authorities issued by the Department of the Environment and Local Government in July, 1996 and Circular Letter PL07/12, the existing telecoms infrastructure on the site, the established use of the site for telecommunications purposes and the scale and design of the proposed development, it is considered that, subject to compliance with the conditions set out below, the proposed development would be in accordance with National Policy for telecommunications infrastructure and the current Mayo County Development Plan 2014-2020, as extended, and would therefore, be in accordance with the proper planning and sustainable development of the area.

Conditions

1. The development shall be carried out and completed in accordance with the plans and particulars lodged with the application, as amended by the further plans and particulars submitted on the 1st day of June, 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.

2. Drainage arrangements, including the disposal of surface water, shall comply with the requirements of the planning authority for such works and services.

Reason: In the interest of public health.

3. When the telecommunications structure and ancillary structures are no longer required, they shall be removed, and the site shall be reinstated at the operator's expense in accordance with a scheme to be agreed in writing with the planning authority as soon as practicable.

Reason: In the interest of protecting the landscape.

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 commencement of development.

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

5. No advertisement or advertisement structure shall be erected or displayed on the proposed structure or its appendages or within the curtilage of the site.

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6. 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 hours of working, noise management measures and off-site disposal of construction/demolition waste.

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

7. The developer shall allow, subject to reasonable terms, other licensed mobile telecommunications operators to co-locate their antennae onto the proposed mast.

Reason: In order to avoid the proliferation of telecommunications structures in the interest of visual amenity.



8. A low intensity fixed red obstacle light shall be fitted as close to the top of the mast as practicable and shall be visible from all angles in azimuth. Details of this light, its location and period of operation shall be submitted to, and agreed in writing with, the planning authority prior to commencement of development.

Reason: In the interest of public safety.

T. Ó Niadh

Terry Ó Niadh

Member of An Bord Pleanála

duly authorised to authenticate
the seal of the Board.



Dated this *15th* day of *June*, 2022.