

Board Order ABP-311625-21

Planning and Development Acts 2000 to 2021

Planning Authority: Donegal County Council

Planning Register Reference Number: 21/51080

Appeal by Jacqueline McGee and Others care of Ardmore House, Clonglash, Buncrana, County Donegal against the decision made on the 16th day of September, 2021 by Donegal County Council to grant subject to conditions a permission to Seamus McGee care of Patrick J. Martin, Architectural Services of Carrowblagh, Portsalon, County Donegal in accordance with plans and particulars lodged with the said Council:

Proposed Development: Construction of an agricultural sheep shed with all associated site works at Clonglash, Buncrana, County Donegal in the townland of Clonglash.

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.

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 established agricultural use of the land and its location within a rural area, the character and pattern of development in the area, the nature and scale of the proposed development, and the relevant provisions of the Donegal County Development Plan 2018-2024, it is considered that, subject to compliance with the conditions set out below, the proposed development would not seriously injure the visual or residential amenities of the area or the amenities of property in the vicinity, would not endanger public safety by reason of pedestrian and traffic hazard and would not pose a risk of environmental pollution. The proposed development 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 26th day of August 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. Water supply and drainage arrangements for the site, including the

disposal of surface and soiled water, shall comply with the requirements

of the planning authority for such works and services. In this regard -

(a) uncontaminated surface water run-off shall be disposed of directly

in a sealed system, and

(b) all soiled waters shall be directed to a storage tank.

Drainage details shall be submitted to and agreed in writing with the

planning authority, prior to commencement of development.

Reason: In the interest of environmental protection and public health.

- 3. The slatted shed shall be used only in strict accordance with a management schedule which shall be submitted to and agreed in writing with the planning authority, prior to commencement of development. The management schedule shall be in accordance with the European Union (Good Agricultural Practice for Protection of Waters) (Amendment) Regulations, 2017, as amended, and shall provide at least for the following:
 - (a) Details of the number and types of animals to be housed.
 - (b) The arrangements for the collection, storage and disposal of slurry.
 - (c) Arrangements for the cleansing of the buildings and structures.

Reason: In order to avoid pollution and to protect residential amenity.

4. All foul effluent and slurry generated by the proposed development and in the farmyard shall be conveyed through properly constructed channels to the proposed and existing storage facilities and no effluent or slurry shall discharge or be allowed to discharge to any stream, river or watercourse, or to the public road.

Reason: In the interest of public health.

5. All uncontaminated roof water from buildings and clean yard water shall be separately collected and discharged in a sealed system to existing drains, streams or adequate soakpits and shall not discharge or be allowed to discharge to the foul effluent drains, foul effluent and slurry storage tanks or to the public road.

Reason: In order to ensure that the capacity of effluent and storage tanks is reserved for their specific purposes.

6. Slurry generated by the proposed development shall be disposed of by spreading on land, or by other means acceptable in writing to the planning authority. The location, rate and time of spreading (including prohibited times for spreading) and the buffer zones to be applied shall be in accordance with the requirements of the European Union (Good Agricultural Practice for Protection of Waters) (Amendment) Regulations, 2017, as amended.

Reason: To ensure the satisfactory disposal of waste material, in the interest of amenity, public health and to prevent pollution of watercourses.

7. The capacity of storage facilities for manure shall be in accordance with Article 12 of the European Union (Good Agricultural Practice for Protection of Waters) (Amendment) Regulations, 2017, as amended. Prior to commencement of development, details showing how it is intended to comply with this requirement shall be submitted to and agreed in writing with the planning authority.

Reason: In the interest of environmental protection and public health.

8. The vehicular access to the site and the achievable sightlines shall be constructed and maintained in accordance with the site layout plan submitted to the planning authority on the 26th day of August, 2021. The existing trees along the roadside boundary shall be removed and the sightlines indicated shall be permanently maintained and kept free from vegetation or other obstructions.

Reason: In the interest of traffic safety.

9. The developer shall pay to the planning authority a financial contribution in respect of public infrastructure and facilities benefiting development in the area of the planning authority that is provided or intended to be provided by or on behalf of the authority in accordance with the terms of the Development Contribution Scheme made under section 48 of the Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended. The contribution shall be paid prior to the commencement of development or in such phased payments as the planning authority may facilitate and shall be subject to any applicable indexation provisions of the Scheme at the time of payment. Details of the application of the terms of the Scheme shall be agreed between the planning authority and the developer or, in default of such agreement, the matter shall be referred to An Bord Pleanála to determine the proper application of the terms of the Scheme.

Reason: It is a requirement of the Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended, that a condition requiring a contribution in accordance with the Development Contribution Scheme made under section 48 of the Act be applied to the permission.

Maria FitzGerald

Member of An Bord Pleanála

duly authorised to authenticate

the seal of the Board

Dated this 4th day of april 2022