

An
Bord
Pleanála

Board Order
ABP-312312-21

Planning and Development Acts 2000 to 2021

Planning Authority: Fingal County Council

Planning Register Reference Number: S254W/04/21

Appeal by Signal Infrastructure Limited care of David Mulcahy Planning Consultants Limited of 67 The Old Mill Race, Athgarvan, County Kildare against the decision made on the 19th day of November, 2021 by Fingal County Council to refuse a licence.

Licence Application: Streetpole solution to address identified mobile and mobile broadband coverage black spots at public grass verge, Auburn Avenue, Castleknock, Dublin.

Decision

In exercise of the powers conferred on it under section 254 of the Planning and Development Act, 2000, as amended, An Bord Pleanála, directs the planning authority to grant a licence, 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 nature, scale and design of the proposed development, which is a 15 metre high free-standing monopole carrying telecommunications equipment with ancillary ground-mounted infrastructure, the provisions of section 254 of the Planning and Development Act, 2000, as amended, the Fingal County Development Plan 2017-2023, and the 'Telecommunications Antennae and Support Structures - Guidelines for Planning Authorities' (1996) (as updated by Circular Letters PL 07/12 and PL11/2020, respectively); it is considered that the proposed development, subject to compliance with the conditions set out below, would not seriously injure the visual or residential amenities of the area or the amenities of property in the vicinity of the site. 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, 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. (a) This licence shall apply for a period of five years from the date of this Order. The telecommunications structure and related ancillary structures shall then be removed unless, prior to the end of the period, continuance shall have been granted for their retention for a further period.

(b) The site shall be reinstated on removal of the telecommunications structure and ancillary structures. Details relating to the removal and reinstatement shall be submitted to, and agreed in writing with, the planning authority at least one month before the date of expiry of this licence.

Reason: To enable the impact of the development to be re-assessed, having regard to changes in technology and design during the specified period.

3. 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.

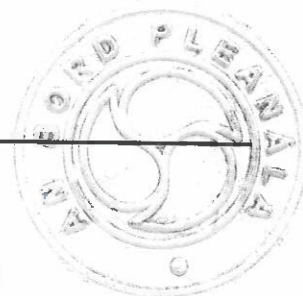
4. A low intensity fixed red obstacle light shall be fitted as close to the top of the mast as practicable and shall be visible from all angles in azimuth. Details of this light, its location and period of operation shall be submitted to, and agreed in writing with, the planning authority prior to commencement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

Reason: In the interest of public safety.



Michelle Fagan

Member of An Bord Pleanála
duly authorised to authenticate
the seal of the Board.



Dated this 14th day of April 2022.