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**Board Order  
ABP-312400-22**

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**Urban Regeneration and Housing Act 2015**

**Planning and Development Acts 2000 to 2022**

**Planning Authority: Sligo County Council**

**Planning Register Reference Number: SL-VS-16**

**Appeal** by Bernard Mullen care of Michael J. Horan of Floor 1, Millennium House, Stephen Street, Sligo in accordance with section 18 of the Urban Regeneration and Housing Act 2015, as amended, against a demand for payment of vacant site levy issued by Sligo County Council on the 15<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2021 in respect of the site described below.

**Description:** Newtownholmes Road, Sligo.

### **Decision**

**The Board, hereby determines, based on the reasons and considerations set out below:**

**in accordance with section 18(3) of the Urban Regeneration and Housing Act 2015, that the above site was a vacant site within the meaning of that Act, and**

**in accordance with section 18(4) of the Urban Regeneration and Housing Act 2015, that the amount of the levy has been correctly calculated.**

## Reasons and Considerations

Having regard to:

- (a) the information placed before the Board by the planning authority in relation to the entry of the site on the Vacant Sites Register,
- (b) the grounds of appeal submitted by the appellant,
- (c) the report of the Planning Inspector,
- (d) the lack of information to show that that the site was no longer a vacant site within the meaning of the Urban Regeneration and Housing Act, 2013, as amended, on the 1<sup>st</sup> January 2020, and the site continued to be a vacant site on the day that the appeal was made, and
- (e) the amount of the levy has been incorrectly stated numerically but has been corrected stated in brackets in words by the planning authority, the wording of the demand in respect of 2020 shall be amended in accordance with the revised amount, that is €31,500 (thirty one, thousand and five hundred euro).

The Board considered that it is appropriate that a notice be issued to the planning authority who shall confirm the demand for payment.



**Una Crosse**

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

Dated this *20<sup>th</sup>* day of *September* 2023