

Planning and Development Acts 2000 to 2022

Planning Authority: Meath County Council

Planning Register Reference Number: 21/757

Appeal by John McGrane care of John Callaghan of 10 The Cloisters, Kells, County Meath against the decision made on the 26th day of January, 2022 by Meath County Council to grant subject to conditions a permission to Tarstone Road Maintenance Limited care of Kingfisher Environmental Consultants of The Railway Cottage, Mullanboys, Inver, County Donegal.

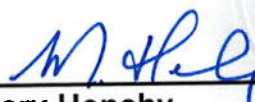
Proposed Development: Re-contouring of agricultural land and associated site works (using imported clean inert soil and stones) within an agricultural field of 3.152 hectares for the consequential benefit to agriculture. A five-year planning permission is requested, and during this period 69,998 tonnes of inert soil and stones will be imported for the purposes of land reclamation subject to an annual maximum figure of 14,000 tonnes, all at Haystown and Carnuff Little, Dean Hill, Navan, County Meath.

Decision

REFUSE permission for the above proposed development based on the reasons and considerations set out below.

Reasons and Considerations

Having regard to the nature of the proposed development to dispose of inert waste on fertile agricultural land, it is considered that the proposed development would constitute an inappropriate use of productive land, would constitute unsustainable development, and would be unacceptable in principle. Furthermore, it is considered that the documentation submitted in connection with the planning application and the appeal lacks clarity in relation to the environmental impacts from the proposed movement and the deposition of materials, dust, noise and vibration, and the Board is not satisfied, on the basis of the information provided, that the proposed development would not be likely to have significant adverse impacts on the environment and the residential amenity of adjoining dwellings. The proposed development would contravene Strategic Objective RUR DEV SO 7 of the planning authority, as set out in the Meath County Development 2021-2027, as varied, which seeks 'to support the continuing viability of agriculture...in the context of sustainable development and the management of environmental resources' and would, therefore, be contrary to the proper planning and sustainable development of the area.



Mary Henchy

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

Dated this 30th day of November 2023.