

## Board Order ABP-312877-22

Local Government (No. 2) Act, 1960

Housing Act, 1966

Planning and Development Acts, 2000 to 2021

Planning Authority: Galway County Council

Application received by An Bord Pleanála on the 25<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2022 from Galway County Council pursuant to section 76 of, and the Third Schedule to, the Housing Act, 1966 as extended by section 10 of the Local Government (No. 2) Act, 1960 (as substituted by section 86 of the Housing Act, 1966) and the Planning and Development Acts, 2000 to 2021, for confirmation of a compulsory purchase order authorising compulsory acquisition of lands and entitled Galway County Council (N63 Liss to Abbey Realignment Scheme) Compulsory Purchase Order No. 1. 2021.

## Decision

CONFIRM the above compulsory purchase order based on the reasons and considerations set out below.

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## Reasons and Considerations

Having considered the objections made to the compulsory purchase order, the report and recommendation of the Inspector who conducted the oral hearing into the objections, the purpose of the compulsory purchase order, and also having regard to:

- (a) the need to provide a safe traffic environment,
- (b) the community need, public interest served, and overall benefits, including benefits to the wider area and the increased provisions for a range of road users to be achieved from use of the acquired lands,
- (c) the provisions of the current Galway County Development Plan 2022-2028 and the policies and objectives stated therein, and,
- (d) the proportionate design response to the identified need,

it is considered that the acquisition by the local authority of the lands in question, and the extinguishment of a public right of way, as set out in the compulsory purchase order and on the deposited maps, are necessary for the purpose stated, and that the objections cannot be sustained having regard to the said necessity.

Chris McGarry

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

Dated this Z day of Well

2023