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Board Order  
ABP-312931-22

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**Planning and Development Acts 2000 to 2021**

**Planning Authority: Mayo County Council**

**Planning Register Reference Number: 20/1024**

**Appeal** by Ballintubber Residents Group care of care of ICM Teo of Páirc Gnó an Údaráis, Tuar Mhic Éadaigh, Contae Mhaigh Eo against the decision made on the 8<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2022 by Mayo County Council to grant subject to conditions a permission to Vodafone Ireland Limited care of Entrust Limited of Unit 3F, Deerpark Business Centre, Oranmore, County Galway in accordance with plans and particulars lodged with the said Council.

**Proposed Development:** Removal of an existing 10-metre telecommunications support structure (13 metres to top) together with telecommunications equipment on it and replacement with a new 24-metre telecommunications support structure (overall height 25.5 metres) carrying antennas, dishes, associated equipment, together with ground-based equipment cabinets and new fencing for wireless data and broadband services, all at Eir Exchange, Creevagh, Ballintubber, County Mayo, as revised by the further public notice received by the planning authority on the 14<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2022.

## 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.**

## Reasons and Considerations

Having regard to:

- (a) the policy of the planning authority, as set out in the Mayo County Development Plan 2022-2028, to support the provision of telecommunications infrastructure,
- (b) the Guidelines relating to telecommunications antennae and support structures which were issued by the Department of the Environment and Local Government to planning authorities in July 1996, as updated by Circular Letter PL/07/12 issued by the Department of the Environment, Community and Local Government in October 2012,
- (c) the general topography and landscape features in the vicinity of the site, and
- (d) the existing pattern of development in the vicinity,

it is considered that, subject to compliance with the conditions set out below, the proposed development would not adversely impact on the amenities of the area and would, therefore, be in accordance with the proper planning and sustainable development of the area.

## Conditions

1. The proposed 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 received by the planning authority on the 19<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2021, except as may otherwise be required 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 proposed development shall be carried out and completed in accordance with the agreed particulars.

**Reason:** In the interest of clarity.

2. The monopole structure hereby permitted shall be 18 metres in height. Revised plans showing compliance with this requirement shall be submitted for the written agreement of the planning authority prior to commencement of development.

**Reason:** In the interest of visual amenity and proper planning and sustainable development.

3. Details of the proposed colour scheme for the proposed monopole 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. Surface water drainage arrangements for the proposed development shall comply with the requirements of the planning authority.

**Reason:** In the interest of public health.

5. The construction shall be managed in accordance with a Construction Management Plan, which shall be submitted to, and agreed in writing with, the planning authority prior to commencement of development. This plan shall provide details of traffic management during the construction phase, details of intended construction practice for the proposed development, including hours of working, noise management measures and off-site disposal of construction/demolition waste, as well as protective measures to be employed with respect to the boundary hedgerows.

**Reason:** In the interest of public safety and visual and residential amenity.

6. Within six months of the cessation of use, the telecommunications structure and ancillary structures shall be removed and the site shall be reinstated. Details relating to the removal and reinstatement 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.

7. The site shall be landscaped in accordance with a comprehensive scheme of landscaping, details of which shall be submitted to, and agreed in writing with, the planning authority prior to commencement of development.

**Reason:** In the interest of visual amenity.



**Martina Hennessy**

**Member of An Bord Pleanála**

**duly authorised to authenticate**

**the seal of the Board.**

Dated this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of June 2023.