

## Board Order ABP-313354-22

Local Government (No. 2) Act, 1960

Housing Act, 1966

Planning and Development Acts, 2000 to 2022

**Planning Authority: Donegal County Council** 

Application received by An Bord Pleanála on the 19<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2022 from Donegal 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), as amended by section 6 and the Second Schedule to the Roads Act, 1993, and as amended by the Planning and Development Act, 2000, as amended, for confirmation of a Compulsory Purchase Order authorising compulsory acquisition of lands and entitled Donegal County Council (Stranorlar Multi Use Sports Facility Improvement Project) Compulsory Purchase Order 2022.

## **DECISION**

CONFIRM the above Compulsory Purchase Order with modifications, 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Having considered the objections made to the Compulsory Purchase Order, and not withdrawn, the report and recommendation of the Inspector and having regard to the following:

- (a) the community need, public interest served and overall benefits to be achieved from the proposed development,
- (b) the chosen location of works which constitutes a design response that is proportionate to the identified need,
- (c) the policies and objectives of the County Donegal Development Plan 2018-2024 and the Seven Strategic Towns Local Area Plan 2018-2024, and
- (d) the objections received,

it is considered that, subject to the modifications as set out in the Schedule below, the acquisition of permanent and temporary areas and creation of wayleaves by Donegal County Council on the lands in question, as set out in the order and on the deposited maps, are necessary for the purposes stated.

## **SCHEDULE**

The compulsory purchase order (Deposit Maps and Schedules) shall be modified as follows:

**Plot 06B**: The lands in Plot Number 06B shall be omitted from the Order.

Plot 07B: The lands in Plot Number 07B shall be omitted from the Order.

Plot 01H: The lands in Plot Number 01H shall be omitted from the Order.

**Reason:** To amend the extent of acquisition where it is considered that land surplus to the identified project has been included but is not required.

In not agreeing with the Inspector to include Plot 06B, Plot 07B and Plot 01H in the Compulsory Purchase Order the Board noted that there are no works proposed to be carried out on these lands under the approved Stranorlar Multi Use Sports Facility Improvement Project (An Bord Pleanála Reference ABP-312985-22). The lands within Plot 06B, Plot 07B and Plot 01H are, therefore, not required for the project. Furthermore, the Board carried out an appropriate assessment on the project, based on the submitted Natura Impact Statement and other relevant particulars, and on the basis that no works are proposed south of the proposed synthetic multi all-weather pitch.

Stephen Bohan

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

Dated this not day of

2023