

## Board Order ABP-314137-22

Planning and Development Acts 2000 to 2022

**Planning Authority: Cork City Council** 

Planning Register Reference Number: T21.013

**Appeal** by Dan Boyle and Others care of 2 Glenville, Strand Road, Monkstown, County Cork against the decision made on the 26<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2022 by Cork City Council to grant, subject to conditions, a licence to On Tower Ireland Limited care of Jason Redmond and Associates of 5 Lismaird Court, Portlaoise, County Laois.

**Licence Application:** Telestructure Pole at Saint Patrick's Road, Turner's Cross, Cork City.

## **Decision**

In exercise of the powers conferred on it under section 254 of the Planning and Development Act, 2000, as amended, An Bord Pleanála, directs the planning authority to REFUSE TO GRANT a licence, based on the reasons and considerations under and subject to the conditions set out below.

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## **REASONS AND CONSIDERATIONS**

Having regard to the policies of the Cork City Development Plan 2022-2028, the Government's guidelines on Telecommunications Antennae and Support Structures, Guidelines for Planning Authorities, Department of Environment, 1996, the location of the proposed development approximately six metres distant from an existing telecommunications structure and associated cabinet located to the west of the application site, it is considered that insufficient technical justification and evidence has been provided in respect of alternative sites to support the location of the development. Section 11.253 Telecommunications Structures of the development plan states: "The co-location of existing structures is encouraged and the construction of any new antennae or structure will only be considered when co-location is not a feasible option. Any proposal for a new structure or antennae should detail the requirements for the infrastructure and if so, why co-location is not feasible". It is considered, therefore, that the proposed development would be contrary to development plan policy and Government guidelines, and to the proper planning and sustainable development of the area.

Eamonn James Kelly

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

Dated this 31st day of October, 2023.