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Board Order ABP-314411-22

Planning and Development Acts 2000 to 2022

Planning Authority: Limerick City and County Council

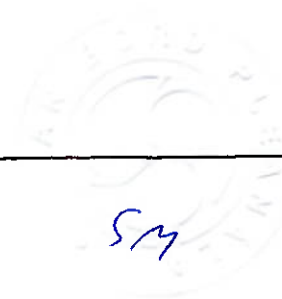
Planning Register Reference Number: 21/1682

Appeal by Eircom Limited care of Towercom Limited of Usher House, Main Street, Dundrum, Dublin against the decision made on the 26th day of July, 2022 by Limerick City and County Council to refuse permission.

Proposed Development: Replacement of an existing 20-metre-high monopole telecommunications support structure with a 24-metre-high lattice work telecommunications support structure together with antennas, dishes and associated telecommunications equipment enclosed by security fencing, all at Eir Exchange, Glenroe, Ballynacourty, Darragh, County Limerick.

Decision

GRANT permission for the above proposed development based on the reasons and considerations under and subject to the conditions set out below.



Reasons and Considerations

Having regard to:

- (a) the Limerick County Development Plan 2022-2028,
- (b) the National Planning Framework,
- (c) the Telecommunications Antennae and Support Structures-Guidelines for Planning Authorities 1996 and Circular Letter PL07/12,
- (d) the existing telecoms infrastructure on the site and the established use of the site for telecommunications purposes, and
- (e) the scale and design of the proposed development,

it is considered that, subject to compliance with the conditions set out below, the proposed development would be in accordance with National Policy for telecommunications infrastructure and the Limerick County Development Plan 2022-2028, would not adversely impact the character of the area or seriously injure the visual or residential 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, except as may otherwise be required in order 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. Surface water drainage arrangements shall comply with the requirements of the planning authority for such services and works.

Reason: In the interest of public health.

3. The developer shall allow, subject to reasonable terms, other licensed mobile telecommunications operators to co-locate their antennae onto the subject structure.

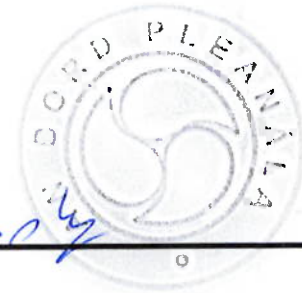

Reason: In order to avoid the proliferation of telecommunications structures in the interest of visual amenity.

4. Details of the specific colour finish for the telecommunications structure shall be submitted to, and agreed in writing with, the planning authority prior to commencement of development. The developer shall also submit to, and agree in writing with, the planning authority prior to commencement of development a landscaping scheme for the site which shall include an enhanced screen boundary on the southern party boundary of the site adjoining the site of the existing residential property.

Reason: In the interest of the visual amenities of the area and to protect residential amenity.

5. On decommissioning of the telecommunications structure, the structure and all ancillary structures shall be removed and the site reinstated at the developer's expense.

Reason: In the interest of clarity.



Stephen Brophy

Member of An Bord Pleanála

duly authorised to authenticate

the seal of the Board

Dated this 9th day of November 2023.