

Board Order ABP-314854-22

Planning and Development Acts 2000 to 2022

Planning Authority: Galway County Council

Planning Register Reference Number: 22/60816

APPEAL by Paul and Mary Cournane care of Sean O'Reilly of Home Farm, Moycullen, County Galway against the decision made on the 5th day of October, 2022 by Galway County Council to refuse permission.

Proposed Development Retention of domestic storage shed and to convert part to livestock housing with associated feed storage area, dungstead and seepage tank and all associated services (Gross floor space of works to be retained/approved: 152.50 square metres - Domestic 89.50 square metres, Agricultural 63 square metres), all at Gortnagroagh, Rosscahill, County Galway.

Decision

REFUSE permission for the above proposed development in accordance with the reasons and considerations set out below.

Reasons and Considerations

Having regard to the excessive scale, bulk and floorspace of the domestic shed proposed to be retained, and in the context of the substantial existing domestic garages/storage structures on site, it is considered that the structure comprises an inappropriate form of development that would seriously injure the amenities of this rural area. The development proposed to be retained is considered to contravene policy objectives RD3, AD3 and DM Standard 6 of the Galway County Development Plan 2022 - 2028, which seeks that the built form of new development assimilates appropriately, and integrates effectively, into this rural landscape. Accordingly, to permit the development would contravene these policy objectives and development management standards, as set out in the current Development Plan for the area, would militate against the preservation of the rural environment, would establish an undesirable precedent for future similar development in the area and would, therefore, be contrary to the proper planning and sustainable development of the area.

Una Crosse

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

Dated this 26th day of January 2024.