

Board Order ABP-314901-22

Planning and Development Acts 2000 to 2022

Planning Authority: Donegal County Council

Planning Register Reference Number: 22/50344

Appeal by Geraldine Gallagher of Shroughan, Falcarragh, Letterkenny, County Donegal against the decision made on the 22nd day of September, 2022 by Donegal County Council to grant subject to conditions a permission to Donal Curran care of Gerard Boyle of Annagry Road, Loughanure, Annagry, County Donegal.

Proposed Development: Erection of a storage shed for private use and boundary maintenance on lands at Sruthanreagh, Falcarragh, County Donegal, as revised by the further public notices received by the planning authority on the 26th day of July, 2022.

Decision

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

Reasons and Considerations

- The proposed development is accessed from a private laneway which, by reason of its alignment and relationship to adjacent third-party lands, incorporates inadequate visibility splays that require drivers to enter the junction of the L-1113 in order to attain adequate visibility. The proposed development, which would intensify the use of the laneway by vehicular traffic, would be contrary to the requirements of Appendix 3 (Development Guidelines and Technical Standards) of the Donegal County Development Plan 2018-2024 and the advice provided in the Transport Infrastructure Ireland publication Rural Road Link Design (April 2017) and would be likely to endanger public safety by reason of a traffic hazard. The proposed development would, therefore, be contrary to the proper planning and sustainable development of the area.
- 2. The proposed development, by reason of its form, elevational design and residential character, would constitute an incongruous addition to the rural area which would not conform with the character of other agricultural buildings to the detriment of the rural character and amenities of the area. The proposed development would, therefore, be contrary to the proper planning and sustainable development of the area.

Joe Boland

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

Dated this 24 day of Ochler 2023.