

Board Order ABP-315236-22

Urban Regeneration and Housing Act 2015

Planning and Development Acts 2000 to 2022

Planning Authority: Roscommon County Council

Planning Register Reference Number: VS/HB/18/1

Appeal by Sonja and Thomas Connolly of Oaklawn, Barrymore, Athlone, County Roscommon in accordance with section 18 of the Urban Regeneration and Housing Act 2015, as amended, against a demand for payment of vacant site levy issued by Roscommon County Council on the 15th day of November, 2022 in respect of the site described below.

Description: Hodson Bay, Barrymore, Athlone, County Roscommon.

Decision

The Board in accordance with section 18(3) of the Urban Regeneration and Housing Act 2015, as amended, and based on the reasons and considerations set out below, hereby determines that the above site was no longer a vacant site within the meaning of that Act.

Reasons and Considerations

Having regard to:

- (a) the information submitted to the Board by the planning authority in relation to the entry of the site on the Vacant Sites Register,
- (b) the grounds of appeal submitted by the appellant,
- (c) the report of the Inspector, and
- (d) the fact that the zoning status of the lands changed in the Roscommon County Development Plan 2022-2028 which came into effect on the 19th day of April 2022, prior to issuing of the Demand for Payment Notice under section 15(4) of the Urban Regeneration and Housing Act 2015, as amended,

the Board considered that it is appropriate that a notice be issued to the planning authority who shall cancel the entry on the Vacant Sites Register and cancel the demand for payment.

Mick Long

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

Dated this

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