

Board Order ABP-315904-23

Planning and Development Acts 2000 to 2022

Planning Authority: Galway County Council

Planning Register Reference Number: 22/1189

Appeal by Kevin Furey care of Oliver Higgins Chartered Engineers of Carrowmoneash, Oranmore, County Galway against the decision made on the 27th day of January, 2023 by Galway County Council to refuse permission.

Proposed Development: Retention of a mobile home and an effluent treatment system, all at Cor an Dola, Corrandulla, County Galway.

Decision

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

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Reasons and Considerations

- 1. The Board is not satisfied, on the basis of the submissions made in connection with the planning application and the appeal, that effluent generated by the development proposed to be retained can be satisfactorily treated and disposed of on-site without risk to groundwater quality. The development proposed to be retained would, therefore, be prejudicial to public health and contrary to the proper planning and sustainable development of the area.
- 2. Having regard to the information on file, in particular the uncertainty regarding the suitability of the site to adequately treat the effluent arising and the potential for indirect conduits between the development and European Sites, the Board decided that it cannot be concluded that the development proposed to be retained would not be likely to have a significant effect, individually or in combination with other plans or projects, on the Lough Corrib Special Protection Area (Site Code: 004042) and the Lough Corrib Special Area of Conservation (Site Code: 000297) as both share a surface water subcatchment and groundwater catchment. In such circumstances, the Board is precluded from granting permission for the development proposed to be retained.

Mary Henchy

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

Dated this b day of March

2024.