



Planning and Development Acts 2000 to 2022

Planning Authority: Longford County Council

Planning Register Reference Number: 2350

APPEAL by Peter Sweetman and on behalf of Wild Ireland Defence CLG care of PO Box 13611, Bantry, County Cork against the decision made on the 24th day of April 2023 by Longford County Council to grant, subject to conditions, a permission to Shane Muldoon care of Christopher Kinghan and Associates of Carricknagoan, Coolderry P.O, Carrickmacross, County Monaghan, in accordance with the plans and particulars submitted to the said Council:

Proposed Development: To construct a cubicle shed with creep areas for cattle, a sheep shed, a roofed manure pit, new silage pit and ancillary works (concrete yards, effluent tank) in existing farmyard area using existing farm road/public road entrance, at Greenhall Upper, Newtowncashel, County Longford.

Decision

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

Reasons and Considerations

The Board considered the plans and particulars submitted relating to the proposed development as well as the additional details relating to proposed landspreading. Having regard to these details, the Board agreed with its Inspector that the Appropriate Assessment Screening submitted by the Applicant was insufficient to enable the Board to make a determination particularly in relation to the in-combination effects with the landspreading. In these circumstances, the Board could not be satisfied that the proposed development either individually, or in combination with other plans or projects, would not be likely to have significant effects on European sites – Lough Ree Special Area of Conservation (Site Code 000440), Lough Ree Special Protection Area (Site Code 004064) and Fortwilliam Turlough Special Area of Conservation (Site Code 000448). In such circumstances, the Board is precluded from granting planning permission.

The Board, while agreeing with its Inspector that the Appropriate Assessment Screening was not sufficient to allow a conclusion of no potential effect on a European Site, disagreed that this matter could be addressed through a request for additional information, but rather concluded that such issues would more appropriately be dealt with through a new application for planning consent.



Joe Boland

Member of An Bord Pleanála

duly authorised to authenticate
the seal of the Board.

Dated this 15TH day of November 2024.