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Board Order

ABP-317260-23

Planning and Development Acts 2000 to 2022

Planning Authority: Donegal County Council

Planning Register Reference Number: 22/51941

Appeal by Transport Infrastructure Ireland of Parkgate Business Centre, Parkgate Street, Dublin and by Brendan Boyle of Callan, Ballybofey, County Donegal against the decision made on the 11th day of May, 2023 by Donegal County Council to grant permission subject to conditions, to John Guthrie care of McCullagh Architecture and Surveying Limited of Glenfill Road, Ballybofey, Lifford PO, County Donegal for the proposed development.

Proposed Development: Retention for 31 number Safety Bollards all at Callan, Drumkeen, County Donegal.

Decision



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

Reasons and Considerations

It is a policy of the County Donegal Development Plan 2018-2024 (Policy T-P-7) to require that access to strategic roads such as the N13 National Primary Road is designed in compliance with the road design standards required by Transport Infrastructure Ireland (TII). It is considered that the development to be retained would not be in compliance with Transport Infrastructure Ireland standards, particularly 'The Design of Road Restraint System (Vehicle and Pedestrian) for Roads and Bridges' (DN-REQ-03034, May 2019) and 'Cross Sections and Headroom' (DN-GEO-03036, May 2023).

The development to be retained would constitute a roadside hazard and it is not considered that the application contains appropriate proposals to justify or mitigate this hazard. The development proposed to be retained which is located alongside the heavily-trafficked National Primary Road N13 at a point where a speed limit of 100 km/h applies would therefore endanger public safety by reason of a traffic hazard and would interfere with the safety and free flow of traffic.

The development proposed to be retained would also contravene the objective of the development plan (Objective T-O-6) to safeguard the carrying capacity and safety of National Roads and 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 26TH day of September, 2023