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## Board Order

**ABP-317270-23**

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**Planning and Development Acts 2000 to 2022**

**Planning Authority: Longford County Council**

**Planning Register Reference Number: 22/233**

**Appeal** by William Glennon and Julie Shanley care of Brandon O'Brien Consulting Engineers of Church Street, Roscommon against the decision made on the 11<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2023 by Longford County Council to grant permission subject to conditions to Vantage Towers Limited care of Charterhouse Telecommunications Consultants of HQ 27 Market Street, Listowel, County Kerry in accordance with plans and particulars lodged with the said Council.

**Proposed Development:** Erection of a 30-metre high lattice telecommunications structure together with antennas, dishes and associated telecommunications equipment, enclosed by security fencing and extension of existing access track. The development is within the curtilage of a protected structure all at Castlewilder, Abbeyshrule, County Longford.

### Decision

**GRANT permission for the above proposed development in accordance with the said plans and particulars based on the reasons and considerations under and subject to the conditions set out below.**

## Reasons and Considerations

Having regard to:

- (a) the relevant policies in the Longford County Development Plan 2021-2027,
- (b) the National Strategy regarding the provision of mobile communication services,
- (c) the Guidelines relating to Telecommunications Antennae and Support Structures which were issued by the Department of the Environment and Local Government to Planning Authorities in July, 1996, as updated by the Circular Letter PL07/12 issued by the Department of the Environment, Community and Local Government on the 19th day of October, 2012,
- (d) the nature and scale of proposed telecommunications support structure, and
- (e) the pattern of development in the area,

it is considered that subject to compliance with the conditions set out below, the proposed development would not seriously injure the visual or residential amenities of the area or of property in the vicinity, would not be prejudicial to public health and would be in accordance with the policies set out in the development plan in relation to telecommunications infrastructure. The proposed development would, therefore, be in accordance with the proper planning and sustainable development of the area.

## Conditions

1. The development shall be carried out and completed in accordance with the plans and particulars lodged with the application, as amended by further plans and particulars received by the planning authority on the 13<sup>th</sup> day of March 2023 and on the 28<sup>th</sup> day of April 2023, except as may otherwise be required in order to comply with the following conditions. Where such conditions require details to be agreed with the planning authority, the developer shall agree such details in writing with the planning authority prior to the commencement of development and the development shall be carried out and completed in accordance with the agreed particulars.



**Reason:** In the interest of clarity.

2. Prior to the commencement of development, details of the proposed colour scheme for the telecommunications structure, ancillary structures and fencing shall be submitted to, and agreed in writing with, the planning authority.

**Reason:** In the interest of visual amenity.

3. Prior to the commencement of any works on site, the developer shall ascertain and comply with all requirements of the planning authority in relation to aeronautical matters.

**Reason:** In the interest of aviation safety.

4. Surface water drainage arrangements for the proposed development shall comply with the requirements of the planning authority.

**Reason:** In the interest of public health.

5. Details of the proposed landscaping scheme shall be submitted to, and agreed in writing with, the planning authority prior to the commencement of development.

**Reason:** In the interest of visual amenity.

6. The transmitter power output antennae type and mounting configuration shall be in accordance with the details submitted with the application and notwithstanding the provision of the Planning and Development Regulations 2001, any statutory provisions amending or replacing them shall not be altered without a prior grant of planning permission.

**Reason:** To clarify the nature and extent of the permitted development and to facilitate a full assessment of any future alterations.

7. The site shall be reinstated upon the removal of the telecommunication structure and ancillary structures. Details of the reinstatement shall be submitted to, and agreed in writing with, the planning authority prior to commencement of development.

**Reason:** In the interest of orderly development.

8. Any change in the ownership of the site or the operator of the structure shall be communicated with the planning authority.

**Reason:** In the interest of clarity.

9. The construction of the development shall be managed in accordance with a Construction Management Plan, which shall be submitted to, and agreed in writing with the planning authority prior to commencement of development. This plan shall provide details of intended construction practice for the development, including hours of working, noise management measures, machinery storage and off-site disposal of construction/demolition waste.

**Reason:** In the interests of public safety and residential amenity.



**Martina Hennessy**

**Member of An Bord Pleanála**

**duly authorised to authenticate  
the seal of the Board.**

Dated this *2<sup>nd</sup>* day of *Nov* 2024