

Board Order ABP-317372-23

Planning and Development Acts 2000 to 2022

Planning Authority: Fingal County Council

Planning Register Reference Number: S254/13/22

Appeal by Emerald Tower Limited care of Entrust Limited of Unit 1D Deerpark Business Centre, Oranmore, County Galway against the decision made on the 23rd day of March, 2023 by Fingal County Council to refuse a licence.

Licence Application: Section 254 licence for telecommunications structure at Dublin Road (R127), Townparks, Skerries, County Dublin.

Decision

In exercise of the powers conferred on it under section 254 of the Planning and Development Act, 2000, as amended, An Bord Pleanála, directs the planning authority to GRANT a licence, based on the reasons and considerations under and subject to the conditions set out below.

REASONS AND CONSIDERATIONS

Having regard to the provisions of the Fingal County Development Plan 2023-2029, the existing pattern of development in the area, and the nature and scale of the proposed development, it is considered that, subject to compliance with the conditions set out below, the proposed development would not seriously injure the amenities of the area, or of property in the vicinity, or give rise to a traffic or pedestrian hazard. The proposed development would, therefore, be in accordance with the proper planning and sustainable development of the area.

CONDITIONS

The development shall be carried out and completed in accordance with the plans and particulars lodged with the licence application, 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 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. This licence shall be valid for five years from the date of this Order. The telecommunications structure and related ancillary structures shall then be removed and the lands reinstated on removal of the telecommunications structure and ancillary structures unless, prior to the end of the period, continuance shall have been granted for their retention for a further period.

Reason: To enable the impact of the development to be re-assessed, having regard to changes in technology and design during the specified period.

3. No additional dishes, antennae or other equipment, other than indicated on the drawings, received by the planning authority with the application, shall be attached to the pole or otherwise erected on the site, without first obtaining the written consent of the planning authority.

Reason: In the interest of visual amenity.

4. The proposed cabinets and pole shall be maintained regularly and shall be kept graffiti free.

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

5. The cabinets shall have an anti-climb device fitted and pitched metal capping to the top surface of the cabinet to prevent sitting or standing on the cabinet.

Reason: In the interest of protecting residential amenity.

6. No advertisement or advertisement structure shall be erected or displayed on the proposed structure or within the curtilage of the site.

Reason: In the interest of the visual amenities of the area.

Una Crosse

Member of An Bord Pleanála duly authorised to authenticate

the seal of the Board

9 day of November 2023