



An
Bord
Pleanála

Board Order ABP-318344-23

Planning and Development Acts 2000 to 2022

Planning Authority: Fingal County Council

Planning Register Reference Number: S254/03/23

Appeal by Lusk Action Group care of Lynne Barker of Barrack Lane, Lusk, County Dublin against the decision made on the 2nd day of June, 2023 by Fingal County Council to grant, subject to conditions, a licence to On Tower Ireland Limited (a Cellnex Company) care of Jason Redmond and Associates of 5 Lismard Court, Portlaoise, County Laois.

Licence Application: Street pole solution to address identified mobile and mobile broadband coverage blackspots, at public grass verge along Skerries Road, Lusk, 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 Section 254 of the Planning and Development Act, 2000, as amended, to national, regional and local policy objectives as represented in the Fingal County Development Plan 2023-2029, to support the development of a high quality telecommunications network throughout the County, to the Department of Environment, Heritage and Local Government section 28 Statutory Guidelines, "Telecommunications Antennae and Support Structures: Guidelines for Planning Authorities, 1996, as updated by circular letter PL 07/12 in 2012, and to the nature and scale of the development, it is considered that, subject to compliance with the conditions set out below, the proposed development would not seriously injure the residential or visual amenities of the area, would be acceptable in terms of traffic and pedestrian safety and would, therefore, be in accordance with the proper planning and sustainable development of the area.

The Board considered that the development is a project for the purposes of the Environmental Impact Assessment Directive. However, the Board concluded that the proposed development does not fall within a class of development set out in Part 1 or Part 2 of Schedule 5 to the Planning and Development Regulations 2001, as amended, and therefore no preliminary examination, screening for environmental impact assessment, or environmental impact assessment is required.

CONDITIONS

1. 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. Surface water drainage arrangements shall comply with the requirements of the planning authority for such services and works.

Reason: In the interest of public health.

4. The antenna type and mounting configuration shall be in accordance with the details submitted with this application for a licence, and notwithstanding the provisions of the Planning and Development Regulations 2001, and any statutory provision 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 to which this permission relates and to facilitate a full assessment of any future alterations.



Peter Mullan

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

Dated this 21st day of June, 2024.