

Board Order ABP-319401-24

Planning and Development Acts 2000 to 2022

Planning Authority: Cork City Council

Planning Register Reference Number: 23/42441

Appeal by Vantage Towers Limited care of Charterhouse of HQ, 27 Market Street, Listowel, County Kerry against the decision made on the 11th day of March, 2024 by Cork City Council to refuse permission for the proposed development.

Proposed Development: Erection of telecommunication equipment on the rooftop including antennas, dishes, cabinets and all other associated equipment and site development works at Nido Student Accommodation, Curraheen Point, Farranlea Road, Cork.

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.

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Reasons and Considerations

Having regard to the National Development Plan 2018-2027, the National Planning Framework, the Telecommunications Antennae and Support Structures - Guidelines for Planning Authorities 1996 (and the associated Circular Letter: PL 07/12), the Cork City Development Plan 2022-2028, the pattern of development in the area and the location of the development on an existing structure with existing telecommunication infrastructure, it is considered that, subject to compliance with the conditions set out below, the proposal would improve the coverage and capacity of mobile telecommunication and broadband services in line with national and local planning objectives. The site selected is appropriate, in principle, for this proposal, and the siting of it reflects the advice of the Telecommunications Antennae and Support Structures - Guidelines for Planning Authorities with respect to the siting of telecommunication support structures. Therefore, it is considered that the amenities of the area, including visual amenity, would not be unduly affected by the proposed development and that the proposal would 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 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.

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

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

Liam McGree

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

Dated this 23 day of OCTOBER 2024.