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## Board Order ABP-319812-24

**Planning and Development Acts 2000 to 2022**

**Planning Authority: Galway City Council**

**Planning Register Reference Number: 24/60065**

**Appeal** by Cellnex Ireland Limited care of Indigo of 4Site House, Raheen Business Park, Limerick against the decision made on the 29<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2024 by Galway City Council to refuse permission.

**Proposed Development:** Permission for a development which consists of retention permission to retain nine number shrouded antenna and six number transmission dishes on ballast mounted supporting poles together with associated equipment cabinets, cabling and associated site works at the roof and basement level at Kingston Hall, Kingston Road, Knocknacarra, Galway.

### 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

It is considered that, subject to compliance with the conditions set out below, the development proposed to be retained is in accordance with the guidelines relating to Telecommunications Antennae and Support Structures Guidelines for Planning Authorities which were issued by the Department of the Environment and Local Government in July, 1996, the Department of the Environment, Community and Local Government Circular Letter PL07/12, Section 9.13 and Policy 9.9 (Telecommunications) of the Galway City Development Plan 2023-2029. The Board considered that the development proposed to be retained would not seriously, or disproportionately, injure the amenities of the area or of property in the vicinity, or detract to an undue degree from the visual amenities of the area. The development proposed to be retained would, therefore, be in accordance with the proper planning and sustainable development of the area.

## Conditions

1. The development shall be retained 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 and the development shall be retained in accordance with the agreed particulars.

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

2. In the event of the proposed structures becoming obsolete and being decommissioned, the developers shall, at their own expense, remove the telecommunications structures and associated equipment.

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

3. The antennae type and mounting configuration shall be in accordance with the details submitted with this application 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 permitted development to which this permission relates and to facilitate a full assessment of any future alterations.

4. The developer shall provide and make available reasonable terms of the proposed support structure for the provision of mobile telecommunications antenna of third party licenced telecommunications operators.

**Reason:** In the interest of avoidance of multiplicity of telecommunications structures in the area, in the interest of visual amenity and the proper planning and sustainable development of the area.

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**Liam McGree**

**Member of An Bord Pleanála**

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

**Dated this 24 day of FEBRUARY 2025**