



An
Bord
Pleanála

Board Order ABP-320000-24

Planning and Development Acts 2000 to 2022

Planning Authority: Fingal County Council

Planning Register Reference Number: F24A/0358

Appeal by DM Groundworks Limited care of Cassidy Consultants of 7A Weir Hope, Drogheda, County Louth against the decision made on the 10th day of June, 2024 by Fingal County Council to refuse permission.

Proposed Development: Re-contouring of agricultural land using imported clean inert soil and stones within a farm holding for the consequential benefit to agriculture. A three-year planning permission is requested, and during this period 18,153 tonnes of inert soil and stones will be imported for the purposes of land reclamation, works to also consist of (a) Proposed new temporary access road (b) Proposed new temporary site office, portaloo and wheel wash and to include all associated site works at Balrickard Road, Rowans Big, Walshestown, County Dublin.

Decision

REFUSE permission for the above proposed development in accordance with the reasons and considerations set out below.

Reasons and Considerations

The Board is not satisfied based on the information provided, that the proposed development, by reason of the importation of subsoil to achieve the revised gradient and levels would not have a negative effect on the natural drainage at this location. The proposed development would, therefore, be contrary to the principals of sustainable drainage which aims to increase infiltration and retention and to slow down the flow of surface water runoff. It is considered that the proposed development would be contrary to the provisions of Objective GINH015 (SuDs- Sustainable Urban Drainage System) of the Fingal Development Plan 2023-2029, which seeks to limit surface water runoff from new developments. The proposed development would, therefore, be contrary to the proper planning and sustainable development of the area.



Mary Henchy

Member of An Bord Pleanála

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

Dated this *28th* day of *February* 2025.