



An
Bord
Pleanála

Board Order ABP-320141-24

Planning and Development Acts 2000 to 2022

Planning Authority: Clare County Council

Planning Register Reference Number: 24/135

Appeal by Transport Infrastructure Ireland of Parkgate Business Centre, Parkgate Street, Dublin against the decision made on the 13th day of June, 2024 by Clare County Council to grant subject to conditions a permission to Tony and Goretti Deloughery care of Gerard Malone of Crossbeg, Cross, Kilrush, County Clare.

Proposed Development: Construction of a vehicular entrance to existing dwelling plus all ancillary site works, all at Carrowblough More, Kilkee, County Clare.

Decision

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

Reasons and Considerations

The proposed development is for the creation of a new vehicular access on to the N67 National Secondary Route at a point where the maximum speed limit applies. Having regard to the stated provisions of the Spatial Planning and National Roads Guidelines for Planning Authorities (2012), in particular Sections 2.5 and 2.6 which

indicate the importance of the national road network to ensure that the strategic traffic function of national roads is maintained by limiting the extent of development on national routes, that proper planning is central to ensuring road safety and capacity, and that the intensification of existing accesses to national roads gives rise to the generation of additional turning movements that introduce additional safety risks to road users, and also the stated provisions of the Clare County Development Plan 2023-2029, in particular Section 11.2.9.3 relating to access onto National Roads, and that in the assessment of new access points that all safety issues and considerations are adequately addressed in accordance with Transport Infrastructure Ireland Publications, it is considered that all safety issues and considerations have not been adequately addressed in relation to the proposed development. It is considered that the proposed development would be in conflict with the stated guidance, would endanger public safety by reason of traffic hazard, and would be an obstruction to road users by limiting the safety and free flow of traffic on the N67 National Secondary Route arising from the additional traffic movements generated onto the route at a point where the maximum speed limit applies. The proposed development would, therefore, be contrary to the proper planning and sustainable development of the area.



Peter Mullan

Member of An Bord Pleanála

duly authorised to authenticate

the seal of the Board

Dated this 18th day of March, 2025.