

An
Bord
Pleanála

Board Order ABP-320296-24

Urban Regeneration and Housing Act 2015

Planning and Development Acts 2000 to 2022

Planning Authority: Galway City Council

Planning Register Reference Number: VS-011-WEST

Appeal by Cairn Homes Galway Limited care of MKO of Tuam Road, Galway in accordance with section 18 of the Urban Regeneration and Housing Act 2015, as amended, against a demand for payment of vacant site levy issued by the Galway City Council on the 2nd day of July, 2024 in respect of the site described below.

Description: Lands North West of Fána Buí, Ballymoneen Road, Knocknacarra, Galway.

Decision

The Board in accordance with section 18(3) of the Urban Regeneration and Housing Act 2015, as amended, and based on the reasons and considerations set out below, hereby determines that the above site was a vacant site within the meaning of that Act, and the amount of the levy has been correctly calculated in respect of the vacant site.

Reasons and Considerations

Having regard to:

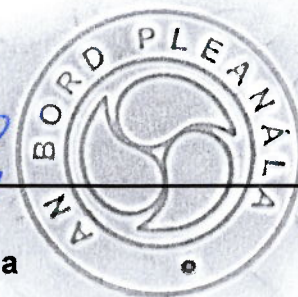
- (a) the information placed before the Board by the planning authority in relation to the entry of the site on the Vacant Sites Register,
- (b) the grounds of appeal submitted by the appellant,
- (c) the report of the Inspector, and
- (d) the lack of information to show that the site was no longer a vacate site within the meaning of the Urban Regeneration and Housing Act 2015, as amended, on the 1st January 2023, or that the amount of the levy has been incorrectly calculated in respect of the site by the planning authority, and the site continued to be a vacant site on the day that the appeal was made.

The Board considered that it is appropriate that a notice be issued to the planning authority who shall confirm the demand for payment.



Mary Henchy

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



Dated this 31st day of March 2025