

An  
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Pleanála

## Board Order ABP-321490-24

**Derelict Sites Act, 1990**

**Planning and Development Acts, 2000 to 2022**

**Planning Authority: Meath County Council**

**Application** received by An Bord Pleanála on the 17<sup>th</sup> day of December 2024 from Meath County Council pursuant to section 16 of the Derelict Sites Act, 1990, as amended, for consent to the compulsory acquisition of a derelict site in Dreminstown, Rathkenny, County Meath and as more particularly described in the notice of intention to compulsorily acquire the site.

### Decision

**GRANT** consent to the compulsory acquisition of the said site based on the reasons and considerations set out below.

## Reasons and Considerations

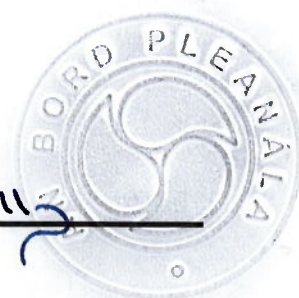
Having regard to the ruinous, derelict and dangerous condition of the structure and the derelict, neglected, unsightly and objectionable state of the land, having considered the objection made to the compulsory acquisition, and also:

- (a) the constitutional and Convention protection afforded to property rights,
- (b) the public interest, and
- (c) the provisions of Meath County Development Plan 2021-2027,

it is considered that the site detracts to a material degree from the amenity, character, and appearance of land in the neighbourhood and, therefore, comes within the definition of a derelict site as defined in sections 3(a) and (b) of the Derelict Sites Act, 1990, as amended, and that the compulsory acquisition of the site by the local authority is necessary in order to render the site non-derelict and to prevent it from continuing to be a derelict site. It is also considered that the objection made cannot be sustained, having regard to that said necessity and that the compulsory acquisition and its effects on the property rights of affected landowners are proportionate to that objective and justified by the exigencies of the common good.

Eamonn James Kelly

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



Dated this 6<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2025