

Planning and Development Acts 2000 to 2022

Planning Authority: Longford County Council

Planning Register Reference Number: 2460263

Appeal by Patrick O'Neill of Breanrisk, Drumlish, County Longford against the decision made on the 23rd day of December 2024, by Longford County Council, to grant permission, subject to conditions, to Thomas Prunty care of Brendan McVeigh, Clonaderig, Ballinahowen, Athlone, County Westmeath for the proposed development.

Proposed Development: Construction of an agricultural type building which will incorporate a milking parlour with underground effluent storage tank, adjoining tank room, plant room and office and all ancillary site works at Breanrisk, Drumlish, County Longford.

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

Having regard to the location of the proposed development within an established farmyard complex, and the modest scale of the proposal, it is considered that, subject to compliance with the conditions as set out below, the proposed development would not seriously injure the visual amenities of the area and would be acceptable in terms of traffic safety and convenience. The proposed development would, therefore, be in accordance with the proper planning and sustainable development of the area.

Conditions

1. The development shall be carried out and completed in accordance with the plans and particulars lodged with the application, as amended by the further plans and particulars received by An Bord Pleanála on the 23rd day of January 2025, 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 prior to commencement of development and the development shall be carried out and completed in accordance with the agreed particulars.

Reason: In the interest of clarity.

2. Details of the materials, colours and textures of all the external finishes to the proposed development shall be as submitted with the application, unless otherwise agreed in writing with, the planning authority prior to commencement of development.

Reason: In the interest of visual amenity.

3. All construction activities on site shall be carried out/managed in such a manner so that no polluting material or contaminated surface water enters groundwater, any watercourse, or public roadway.

Reason: In the interests of ensuring the protection of water quality in the receiving environment.

4. Drainage arrangements for the site, including the disposal of surface and soiled water, shall comply with the requirements of the planning authority for such works and services. In this regard:
 - (a) uncontaminated surface water run-off shall be disposed of directly in a sealed system to appropriately sized soakaways.
 - (b) all soiled waters shall be directed to an appropriately sized soiled water storage tank in accordance with the requirements of the European Union (Good Agricultural Practice for the Protection of Waters) (Amendment) Regulations 2022, as amended, or to a slatted tank. Drainage details shall be submitted to and agreed in writing with the planning authority, prior to commencement of development.

- (c) all separation distances for potable water supplies as outlined in the European Union (Good Agricultural Practice for the Protection of Waters) (Amendment) Regulations 2022, as amended shall be strictly adhered to.

Reason: In the interest of public health.

5. All soiled waters and slurry generated by the proposed development and in the farmyard shall be conveyed through properly constructed channels to the proposed and existing storage facilities. No soiled waters or slurry shall discharge or be allowed to discharge to any drainage channel, stream, watercourse or to the public road.

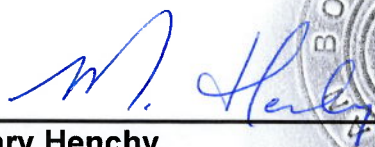
Reason: In the interest of public health.

6. The removal of organic waste material and its spreading on land by the applicant or third parties shall be undertaken in accordance with the systems of regulatory control implemented by the competent authorities in relation to national regulations pursuant to Council Directive 91/676/EEC (the Nitrates Directive) concerning the protection of waters against pollution caused by nitrates from agricultural sources.

Reason: In the interest of environmental protection.

7. The developer shall enter into water and wastewater connection agreement(s) with Uisce Éireann, if required. The developer shall be required to adhere to the standards and conditions set out in that agreement.

Reason: In the interest of public health.



Mary Henchy

Member of An Bord Pleanála

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

Dated this 22nd day of May 2025.