

Commission Order ABP-321988-25

Planning and Development Acts 2000 to 2022

Planning Authority: Mayo County Council

Planning Register Reference Number: 24/60746

Appeal by Tom and Selina Gill care of Ailtirí Áitiúil Teo of The Leeson Enterprise Centre, Altamont Street, Westport, County Mayo against the decision made on the 6th day of February, 2025 by Mayo County Council to refuse permission.

Proposed Development: Construction of a new permanent family dwellinghouse, detached garage, wastewater treatment system and all associated site works, all at Deerpark West, Murrisk, Westport, County Mayo.

Decision

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



Reasons and Considerations

Having regard to Objective RHO 4 and Objective NEO 26 of the Mayo County Development Plan 2022-2028, which requires applicants with housing applications within Mayo's Coastal Areas and Lakeshores, and within areas along scenic routes with designated scenic views, who demonstrate a long-standing social link to the area concerned, to ensure that the proposed development does not impinge in any significant way on the character, integrity and distinctiveness of the area, cannot be considered at an alternative location, meets high standards in siting and design, satisfies all other criteria with regard to, inter alia, servicing, public safety, and environmental considerations, and demonstrates enhancement to the local landscape character and ecological connectivity, and having regard to the extent of the works proposed, including the permanent removal of naturally occurring woodland, the cutting and filling of a steep slope in a scenic area, and the construction of a permanent structure in a sensitive landscape, it is considered that the proposed development at this location would impinge on the character, integrity and distinctiveness of the area and would not enhance the local landscape character. The proposed development would contravene Objective RHO 4 and Objective NEO 26 of the development plan, and would, therefore, be contrary to the proper planning and sustainable development of the area.

MaryRose McGovern

Planning Commissioner of An Colmisiún Pleanála duly authorised to authenticate the seal of the Commission.

Dated this 25 day of June

2025.