

An
Coimisiún
Pleanála

Commission Order
ABP-322259-25

Planning and Development Acts 2000, as amended

Planning Authority: Cork County Council

Planning Register Reference Number: 25/00019

Appeal by Brendan and Catherine O'Sullivan of Church Road, Bantry, County Cork against the decision made on the 14th day of March, 2025 by Cork County Council to grant subject to conditions a permission to Eircom Limited (trading as eir) care of Charterhouse Infrastructure Consultants of 27 Market Street, Listowel, County Kerry in accordance with plans and particulars lodged with the said Council:

Proposed Development: Retention permission for the erection of a mounted support pole including an antenna, dish and beacon extending three metres above the exchange roof apex, with associated structures and cables on the gable end of the Eir telephone exchange at Eir Exchange, Town Lots, Market Street, Bantry, County Cork.

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:

- (a) The national strategy regarding the provision of mobile communications services,
- (b) The guidelines relating to telecommunications antennae and support structures issued by the Department of the Environment and Local Government to planning authorities in July 1996, as updated by Circular Letter PL07/12,
- (c) The policy of the planning authority as set out in the Cork County Development Plan 2022-2028 to support the provision of telecommunications infrastructure,
- (d) The nature and scale of the telecommunications structure,

it is considered that, subject to compliance with the conditions set out below, the proposed development would not adversely impact the character of the area or be seriously injurious to the visual or residential amenities of the area. The proposed development would, therefore, be in accordance with the proper planning and sustainable development of the area.

The Board considered that the development is a project for the purposes of the Environmental Impact Assessment Directive. However, the Board concluded that the proposed development does not fall within a class of development set out in Part 1 or Part 2 of Schedule 5 to the Planning and Development Regulations 2001, as amended, and therefore no preliminary examination, screening for environmental impact assessment, or environmental impact assessment is required.

Conditions

1. The development shall be retained and completed in accordance with the plans and particulars lodged with the application, 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 and the development shall be retained and completed in accordance with the agreed particulars.

Reason: In the interest of clarity.

2. In the event of the proposed structure becoming obsolete and being decommissioned, or within six months of the subsequent erection of a separate antenna support structure on the same site, the developers shall, at their own expense, remove the antenna, all ancillary structures and equipment.

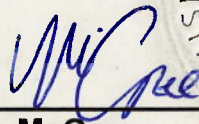
Reason: In the interest of orderly development.

3. The transmitter power output, antenna type and mounting configuration shall be in accordance with the details submitted with the planning application and, notwithstanding the provisions of the Planning and Development Regulations 2001, as amended, and any statutory provision amending or replacing them, shall not be altered without a prior grant of planning permission.

Reason: To clarify the nature and extent of the permitted development to which this permission relates and to facilitate a full assessment of any future alterations.

4. No advertisement or advertisement structure shall be erected or displayed on the structure or its appendages or within the curtilage of the site without a prior grant of planning permission.

Reason: In the interest of the visual amenities of the area.



Liam McGree

**Planning Commissioner of An Coimisiún
Pleanála duly authorised to authenticate
the seal of the Commission**

Dated this 17th day of AUGUST 2025