

Commission Order ABP-322769-25

Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended

Planning Authority: Galway County Council

Planning Register Reference Number: 25/60320

Appeal by Henry Howard care of Enviroplan Consulting Limited of Suite 3, Third Floor, Ross House, Victoria Place, Eyre Square, Galway against the decision made on the 20th day of May, 2025 by Galway County Council to refuse permission.

Proposed Development: Construction of a dwellinghouse, domestic garage, wastewater treatment system, polishing filter and all associated services, all at Moorfield, Eyrecourt, Ballinasloe, County Galway.

Decision

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

Reasons and Considerations

It is considered that the proposed development would endanger public safety by reason of traffic hazard because of the additional traffic turning movements that would be generated onto a narrow and substandard section of the adjoining Regional Road R356, where a speed limit of 80kph applies and where the 85th percentile design speed under DM Standard 28 of the Galway County Development Plan 2022-2028 does not apply for regional roads, and where adequate sightlines of 160 metres in both directions in accordance with DM Standard 28 has not been demonstrated. The proposed development, if permitted, would result in significant road boundary intervention along the regional road, which would create an undesirable precedent for similar development and would reduce the carrying capacity of the regional road which would be contrary to Policy Objective NNR 2 of the development plan. The proposed development would, therefore, be contrary to the proper planning and sustainable development of the area.

Declan Moore

Planning Commissioner of An Coimisiún

Pleanála duly authorised to authenticate the seal of the Commission.

Dated this 6 day of October 2025.