



An
Coimisiún
Pleanála

Commission Order
ACP-323553-25

Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended

Planning Authority: Cork County Council

Planning Register Reference Number: 25336

Appeal by Diarmuid and Margaret O'Connor of Sian na Gaoithe, Colla, Schull, County Cork against the decision made on the 5th day of August, 2025 by Cork County Council to grant subject to conditions a permission to NBI Infrastructure Designated Activity Company care of Entrust Limited of Unit 1, Oranmore Business Park, Oranmore, County Galway in accordance with plans and particulars lodged with the said Council.

Proposed Development: The development will consist of the installation of electronic communications structure comprising of a 12 metres high timber pole supporting two number radio-link dishes, together with wooden post and rail fence with access gate, equipment cabinet, fibre ducting and chambers, foundation and all associated ancillary development works. The development is required to carry the broadband data from the new high speed fibre broadband network on the island, to the mainland by radio link, to connect to the NBI national fibre network, as part of the government's national broadband plan to provide high speed broadband to all parts of the country that are not

available commercially, including the islands, at the same data speeds at Lands at Colla, Colla Road, Schull, 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 the nature of the proposed development, the location and character of the subject site together with the policies and objectives of the Cork County Development Plan 2022-2028, it is considered, subject to compliance with the conditions set out below, that the proposed development meets the requirements as per objective GI14-9, GI14-11, GI14-12, GI14-13 and GI14-14 of the development plan and would not seriously injure the visual or residential amenities of the area or have an adverse visual impact on the adjacent scenic route or the high value landscape. The proposed development, would, therefore, be in accordance with the proper planning and sustainable development of the area.

The Commission considered that the development is a project for the purposes of the Environmental Impact Assessment Directive. However, the Commission 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 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 the planning authority on the 17th day of June 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. No advertisement or advertisement structure shall be erected or displayed on the proposed structure or its appendages or within the curtilage of the site.

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

3. Landscaping of the site shall be carried out in accordance with a landscaping scheme, which shall be submitted to and agreed in writing with planning authority prior to commencement of development.

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

4. In the event of the telecommunications structure and ancillary structures hereby permitted ceasing to operate for a period of six months, the structures shall be removed, and the site shall be reinstated within three months of their removal. Details regarding the removal of the structures and the reinstatement of the site shall be submitted to, and agreed in writing with the planning authority, within three months of the structures

ceasing to operate, and the site shall be reinstated in accordance with the agreed details at the operator's expense.

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

5. No mud or debris from the site shall be carried onto or deposited on the public road by the developer during the construction phase.

Reason: To protect the amenities of the area and in the interest of road safety.

6. The developer shall provide and make available at reasonable terms the proposed support structure for the provision of mobile telecommunications antenna of third-party licenced telecommunications operators.

Reason: In the interest of avoidance of multiplicity of telecommunications structures in the area, in the interests of visual amenity and proper planning and sustainable development.

Eamonn James Kelly

Eamonn James Kelly

Planning Commissioner of An Coimisiún

Pleanála duly authorised to authenticate

the seal of the Commission.

Dated this *10th* day of *December*, 2025

