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**Urban Regeneration and Housing Act 2015**

**Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended**

**Planning Authority: Sligo County Council**

**Planning Register Reference Number: SL-VS-25**

**Appeal** by Brian J. Sherlock in accordance with section 18 of the Urban Regeneration and Housing Act 2015, as amended, against a demand for payment of vacant site levy issued by Sligo County Council on the 18<sup>th</sup> day of December 2025 in respect of the site described below.

**Description:** Site at Lynn's Dock, Rathedmond. Sligo.

## **Decision**

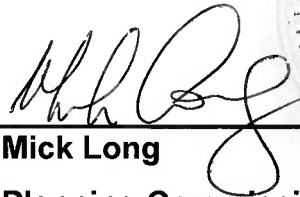
**The Commission in accordance with section 18(3) of the Urban Regeneration and Housing Act 2015, as amended, and, based on the reasons and considerations set out below, hereby determines that the site was a vacant site within the meaning of the Urban Regeneration and Housing Act, 2015, as amended and the amount of the levy has been correctly calculated in respect of the vacant site.**

## Reasons and Considerations

Having regard to:

- (a) the information placed before the Commission by the planning authority in relation to the entry of the site on the Vacant Sites Register,
- (b) the grounds of appeal submitted by the appellant, including confirmation that no development has commenced,
- (c) the report of the Planning Inspector,
- (d) the need for housing in the area, that the site is suitable for the provision of housing, as demonstrated by the residential land use zoning for the area and planning history of the site, and that insufficient reason is put forward to cancel the entry on the Vacant Sites Register,
- (e) that the site is and was vacant for the period concerned,
- (f) that the amount of the levy has been correctly calculated at 7% of the site value in the relevant year, and
- (g) that there has been no change in the ownership of the site during the period concerned, 1<sup>st</sup> day of January 2024 to 31<sup>st</sup> day of December 2024,

the Commission is satisfied that the site was a vacant site for the year 2024 and the amount of the levy has been correctly calculated. The demand for payment of the vacant site levy under Section 15 of the Urban Regeneration and Housing Act 2015 is, therefore, confirmed.



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**Mick Long**

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

Dated this *19* day of *April* 2026.