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Commission Order
PL-500089-GC

Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended

Planning Authority: Galway City Council

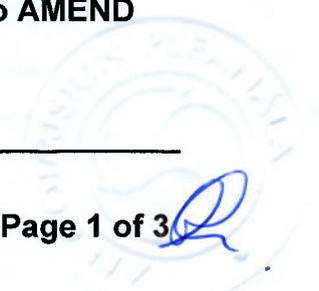
Planning Register Reference Number: 2460286

Appeal by Aimstar Limited against the decision made on the 24th day of September 2025 by Galway City Council to grant permission, subject to conditions, in accordance with plans and particulars lodged with the said Council.

Proposed Development: Change of use of former printworks and associated areas to indoor licenced food hall/market and dining space (and associated outdoor space/use), with ancillary use as an occasional event space, along with all associated and ancillary works and development all at former Connacht Tribune printworks (part of a protected structure), 15 Market Street, Galway.

Decision

The Commission, in accordance with section 48 of the Planning and Development Act, 2000, as amended, considered, based on the reasons and considerations set out below, that the terms of the Development Contribution Scheme for the area had not been properly applied in respect of condition number 5 and directs the said Council to AMEND



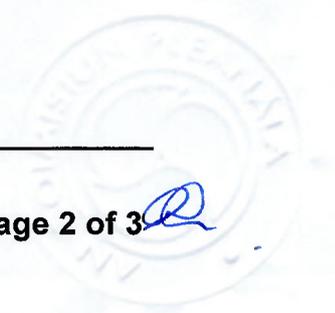
condition number 5 so that it shall be as follows and the reasons therefor.

5. The developer shall pay to the planning authority a financial contribution of €9,729.92 (nine thousand, seven hundred and twenty nine euros, ninety two cents) in respect of public infrastructure and facilities benefiting development in the area of the planning authority that is provided or intended to be provided by or on behalf of the authority in accordance with the terms of the Development Contribution Scheme made under section 48 of the Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended. The contribution shall be paid prior to commencement of development or in such phased payments as the planning authority may facilitate and shall be subject to any applicable indexation provisions of the Scheme at the time of payment.

Reason: It is a requirement of the Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended, that a condition requiring a contribution in accordance with the Development Contribution Scheme made under section 48 of the Act be applied to the permission.

Reasons and Considerations

The Commission had regard to the nature of the development for which permission was sought, comprising the change of use of the existing premises to use as an indoor licenced foodhall / market and dining space and associated works, and to the terms of the Galway City Development Contribution Scheme 2020-2026. The Commission considered that the development as described within the application including the addition of nine car parking spaces is liable for development contributions under the Galway City Development Contribution Scheme 2020-2026 and that Reductions / Exemptions are applicable.



The Commission, in particular, considered section 11, Classes 1 and 3, are deemed to specifically apply to the proposed development in that the proposed change of use would give rise to an additional demand for transportation facilities and infrastructure and would impact on environment and climate change. Section 12, which provides that an appropriate reduction in the normal rate of development contributions will be applicable in respect of permission for a change of use, depending on the likely intensification of demand on public infrastructure and facilities.

Condition number 5 should therefore be amended to reflect the additional demand arising, in accordance with the terms of the Galway City Development Contribution Scheme 2020-2026.



Mick Long

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

Dated this 11th day of February 2026