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PLANNING SECTION

19th May 2022

An Bord Pleanála
64 Marlborough Street
Dublin 1

File Number: KA/S52214 ABP:- 313409-22

Applicant: Colm Griffin

Appellant: 1st Party

Development Address: Rathcairn, Athboy, Co Meath

Development Description:

Whether the gate at entrance sited on south-eastern boundary of lands in Folio MH56744F on local road no. L40042 in Rathcairn, Athboy, is development and, if so, is or is not exempted development.

Dear Sir/Madam,

1.0 Introduction

Meath County Council refused the exemption declaration on 25th March 2022 for the determination on "Whether the gate at entrance sited on south-eastern boundary of lands in Folio MH56744F on local road no. L40042 in Rathcairn, Athboy, is development and, if so, is or is not exempted development".

2.0 Type of Appeal

This application is the subject to first-party appeal concerning the decision of the Planning Authority to refuse the exemption declaration.

An Bord Pleanála is affording the Planning Authority an opportunity to comment on the appeal submissions made by the 1st Party. The issues raised by the applicant Colm Griffin include:

- Use was not “abandoned”
- Not an unauthorised entrance – replacement of original gate.
- Exempted development under class 9, Part 1 of Schedule 2 of the Planning and Development Regulations 2001 – 2022.

Response to appeal submission

The Planning Authority notes the first-party appeal and issues raised in same for the subject development.

The Planning Authority is satisfied that all matters outlined above in the submission were considered in the course of its assessment of the exemption declaration as detailed in the Planning Officer Report dated 23rd March 2022.

3.0 Conclusion

The Planning Authority respectfully requests that An Bord Pleanála uphold the decision to **Refuse the Declaration of Exemption** of the said development.

Yours faithfully,


On Behalf of Meath County Council