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**Board Direction**  
**BD-018918-25**  
**ABP-319762-24**

The submissions on this file and the Inspector's report were considered at a Board meeting held on 13/02/2025.

The Board decided to refuse permission, generally in accordance with the Inspector's recommendation, for the following reasons and considerations.

#### **Reasons and Considerations**

1. Having regard to the siting of the proposed development *approximately* 124 m from the Derrinturn Town Boundary, it is considered that a sufficient examination of alternative sites and justification for the proposed development at this location as a "last resort" has not been undertaken. Accordingly, the development proposed if permitted would be contrary to the Telecommunications Antennae and Support Structures Guidelines (1996), and to Objective EC 086 and Section 15.11 of the Kildare County Development Plan 2023 – 2029, which seek to avoid free-standing masts in the immediate surrounds of small towns and villages. The development would therefore be contrary to the proper planning and sustainable development of the area.

**Board Member**

  
Declan Moore

**Date:** 17/02/2025