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**NOTIFICATION OF DECISION TO REFUSE PERMISSION  
PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT ACT 2000 (as amended) AND  
PLANNING REGULATIONS THEREUNDER**

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| <b>Decision Order No.</b> | <b>1465</b> | <b>Date of Decision</b> | 11-Nov-2021 |
| <b>Register Reference</b> | SD21A/0155  | <b>Date</b>             | 15-Oct-2021 |

**Applicant:** Ontower Ireland Limited

**Development:** Replace existing 12m decommissioned chimney flue with a 20m multi-user telecommunications support structure to include antennas and dishes and all enclosed within a shroud to match the existing decommissioned chimney flue; 2 outdoor cabinets and associated site works and a proposed new flue to replace an existing flue on an existing permitted building and accessed via the existing permitted access; the development will provide improved wireless broadband services in the area.

**Location:** Ballyroan Community & Youth Centre, Marian Road, Rathfarnham, Dublin 14

**Time extension(s) up to and including:**

**Additional Information Requested/Received:** 04-Aug-2021/15-Oct-2021

**Clarification of Additional Information Requested/Received:**

**DECISION:** Pursuant to the Planning and Development Act 2000 (as amended), dated as above a decision to **REFUSE PERMISSION** is hereby made for the said development for the reason(s) set out on the Schedule hereto.

**REASON(S)**

1. Given the height of the proposed chimney at this location, (to merely support telecommunications and within such close proximity to a Protected Structure, Ballyroan Parish Church (RPS Ref. 264)), the overall visual impact of the proposal results in a significant adverse visual impact. Such impact cannot be mitigated against in anyway, therefore the scale of the visual impact is considered to be high. The replacement chimney will be highly visible at this location and can be viewed from all directions from the Protected Structure site. The new 20m chimney will diminish the overall visual amenity of the area and will result in a direct significant adverse visual impact on the Protected Structure (Ballyroan Parish Church) and its setting. This would be contrary to the 'LC' zoning objective for the area which seeks 'to protect, improve and provide for for the future development of Local Centres'. The proposal would also be contrary to HCL Policy 3 Protected Structures of the SDCC Development Plan 2016-2022 where the special character of a Protected Structure including its historic curtilage would be adversely impacted.

Please note that upon receipt of this document you are obliged to remove the planning site notice in compliance with Article 20 of the Planning and Development Regulations 2001 (as amended). Please note that any valid submissions or observations received in accordance with the provisions of the Planning and Development Regulations 2001 (as amended), have been considered in the determination of this application.

**Register Reference:           SD21A/0155**

Signed on behalf of the South Dublin County Council.

Yours faithfully,

*Brian Connolly* 12-Nov-2021  
for **Senior Planner**

## NOTES

### **(A) REFUND OF FEES SUBMITTED WITH A PLANNING APPLICATION**

Provision is made for a partial refund of fees in the case of certain repeat applications submitted within a period of twelve months where the full standard fee was paid in respect of the first application and where both applications related to developments of the same character or description and to the same site. An application for a refund must be made in writing to the Planning Authority and received by them within a period of two months beginning on the date of the Planning Authority's decision on the second application. For full details of fees, refunds and exemptions the Planning & Development Regulations. 200 I should be consulted.

### **(B) APPEALS**

1. An appeal against the decision may be made to An Bord Pleanála. The applicant or ANY OTHER PERSON who made submissions or observations to the Local Authority may appeal within FOUR WEEKS beginning on the date of this decision. (N.B. Not the date on which the decision is sent or received).
2. Every appeal must be made in writing and must state the subject matter and full grounds of appeal. It must be fully complete from the start. In the case of a third party appeal it must be accompanied by the acknowledgement by the Planning Authority of receipt of the submissions/observations. Appeals should be sent to:  
**The Secretary, An Bord Pleanála, 64 Marlborough Street, Dublin 1.**
3. An Appeal lodged by an applicant/ agent or by a third party with An Bord Pleanála will be invalid unless accompanied by the prescribed fee. A schedule of fees is at 7 below.
4. A party to an appeal making a request to An Bord Pleanála for an Oral Hearing of an appeal must, in addition to the prescribed fee, pay to An Bord Pleanála a further fee (see 7 (g) below).
5. A person who is not a party to an appeal must pay a fee to An Bord Pleanála when making submissions or observations to An Bord Pleanála in relation to an appeal.
6. If the Council makes a decision to grant permission/grant permission consequent on a grant of outline permission and there is no appeal to An Bord Pleanála against this decision, PERMISSION/PERMISSION CONSEQUENT ON A GRANT OF OUTLINE PERMISSION will be granted by the Council as soon as may be after the expiration of the period for the taking of such an appeal. If any appeal made in accordance with the Acts has been withdrawn, the Council will grant the PERMISSION/PERMISSION CONSEQUENT ON A GRANT OF OUTLINE PERMISSION/RETENTION as soon as may be after the withdrawal.
7. Fees payable to An Bord Pleanála from 10th December 2007 are as follows:
  - (a) Appeal against a decision of a Planning Authority on a planning application relating to commercial development made by the person by whom the planning application was made. where the application relates to unauthorised development.....€4.500.00 or €9.000 if an E.I.A.R. is involved
  - (b) Appeal against a decision of a planning authority on a planning application relating to commercial development made by the person by whom the planning application was made. other than an appeal mentioned at (a)..... €1.500.00 or €3,000.00 if an E.I.A.R. is involved
  - (c) Appeal made by the person by whom the planning application was made, where the application relates to unauthorised development other than an appeal mentioned at (a) or (b)..... €660.00
  - (d) Appeal other than an appeal mentioned at (a). (b), (c) or (f) ..... €220.00
  - (e) Application for leave to appeal..... €110.00
  - (f) Appeal following a grant of leave to appeal..... €110.00
  - (g) Referral ..... €220.00
  - (h) Reduced fee (payable by specified bodies) ..... €110.00
  - (i) Submission or observations (by observer) ..... €50.00
  - (j) Request from a party for an Oral Hearing..... €50.00

If in doubt regarding any of the above appeal matters, you should contact An Bord Pleanála for clarification at Telephone 01-858 8100