

Board Direction

Ref: PL29S.247548

The submissions on this file and the Inspector's report were considered at a Board meeting held on 23rd March 2017.

The Board decided by a majority of 2:1 to grant permission generally in accordance with the Inspector's recommendation, subject to the amendments shown below.

REASONS AND CONSIDERATIONS

Having regard to the provisions set out in the Dublin City Development Plan 2016-2022, to the residential and mixed use land use zoning, to the location of the subject site within the Architectural Conservation Area and the Liberties Local Plan Area and to the existing pattern of development in the vicinity of the site, it is considered that, subject to compliance with the conditions set out below, the proposed development would not seriously injure the residential amenities of properties in the vicinity, would not detract from the character of the Architectural Conservation Area, would not be detrimental to the character and amenity of the area, and would be acceptable in terms of traffic safety and convenience. The proposed development would, therefore, be in accordance with the proper planning and sustainable development of the area.

CONDITIONS

1. The development shall be carried out and completed in accordance with the plans and particulars lodged with the application, as amended by the further plans and particulars submitted on the 19th day of September 2016, except as may otherwise be required in order to comply with the following conditions. Where such conditions require details to be agreed with the planning authority, the developer shall agree such details in writing with the planning authority prior to commencement of development and the development shall be carried out and completed in accordance with the agreed particulars.

Reason: In the interest of clarity.

- 2. The proposed development shall be amended as follows:
 - (a) The third floor shall be reduced in area by removing c.3.8m from

the eastern end. Unit 6 shall be omitted. Unit 5 shall be enlarged to form a 2-bed unit, with both bedrooms facing streetwards (South).

(b) The west facing bathroom windows on the office and the proposed side windows on the south west elevation shall be permanently obscure glazed.

Revised drawings showing compliance with these requirements shall be submitted to, and agreed in writing with, the planning authority prior to commencement of development.

Reason: In the interest of visual and residential amenity.

3. Details of the materials, colours and textures of all the external finishes to the proposed building, shall be submitted to, and agreed in writing with, the planning authority prior to commencement of development. Sample panels shall be erected on site for inspection by the planning authority in this regard.

Reason: In the interest of visual amenity.

4. Any signage proposed for the ground floor units shall be subject to a separate planning permission.

Reason: In the interest of residential amenity and to limit the scope of the proposed development to that for which the application was made.

5. Details for the effective control of fumes and odours from the café premises shall be submitted to, and agreed in writing with, the planning authority prior to commencement of development.

Reason: In the interest of public health and to protect the amenities of the area.

6. No signage, advertising structures/advertisements, security shutters, or other projecting elements, including flagpoles, shall be erected within the site or any adjoining lands under the control of the applicant unless authorised by a further grant of planning permission.

Reason: To protect the visual amenities of the area.

7. No additional development shall take place above roof parapet level, including lift motor enclosures, air handling equipment, storage tanks, ducts or other external plant, telecommunications aerials, antennas or equipment, unless authorised by a further grant of planning permission.

Reason: To protect the visual amenities of the area.

8. Water supply and drainage arrangements including the disposal of surface water, shall comply with the requirements of the planning authority for such works and services.

Reason: In the interest of public health.

9. All service cables associated with the proposed development (such as electrical, telecommunications and television) shall be located underground within the site.

Reason: In the interest of visual and residential amenity.

10. Litter in the vicinity of the premises shall be controlled in accordance with a scheme of litter control which shall be submitted to, and agreed in writing with, the planning authority prior to the commencement of development.

Reason: In the interest of visual amenity.

11. A plan containing details for the management of waste and recyclable materials shall be submitted to, and agreed in writing with, the planning authority prior to commencement of development.

Thereafter, the waste shall be managed in accordance with the agreed plan.

Reason: To provide for the appropriate management of waste and recyclable materials, in the interest of protecting the environment.

12. Site development and building works shall be carried out only between 0700 hours and 1800 hours Mondays to Fridays excluding bank holidays and between 0800 hours and 1400 hours on Saturdays. Deviation from these times will only be allowed in exceptional circumstances where prior written approval has been received from the planning authority.

Reason: In the interest of protecting the residential amenities of adjoining properties.

- 13. Construction and demolition waste shall be managed in (a) accordance with a construction waste and demolition management plan, which shall be submitted to, and agreed in writing with, the planning authority prior to commencement of development. This plan shall be prepared in accordance with the "Best Practice Guidelines on the Preparation of Waste Management Plans for Construction and Demolition Projects", published by the Department of the Environment, Heritage and Local Government in July, 2006. The plan shall include details of waste to be generated during site clearance and construction phases, and details of the methods and locations to be employed for the prevention, minimisation, recovery and disposal of this material in accordance with the provision of the Waste Management Plan for the Region in which the site is situated.
 - (b) The plan shall include a detailed method statement to mitigate potential nuisance including noise and dust. The plan shall outline how it is proposed to prevent spillage or deposits of clay, rubble or other debris on adjoining roads during construction.

Reason: In the interests of sustainable waste management and to mitigate potential construction nuisance.

14. The construction of the development shall be managed in with a Construction Management Plan, which shall be accordance and agreed in writing with, the planning authority prior to submitted to. commencement of development. This plan shall provide details of intended construction practice for the development, including noise off-site disposal management measures and of construction/demolition waste.

Reason: In the interests of public safety and residential amenity.

- 15. The developer shall facilitate the archaeological appraisal of the site and shall provide for the preservation, recording and protection of archaeological materials or features which may exist within the site. In this regard, the developer shall:
 - (a) notify the planning authority in writing at least four weeks prior to the commencement of any site operation (including hydrological and geotechnical investigations) relating to the proposed development, and
 - (b) employ a suitably-qualified archaeologist prior to commencement of development. The archaeologist shall assess the site and monitor all site development works.

The assessment shall address the following issues:

- (i) the nature and location of archaeological material on the site, and
 - (ii) the impact of the proposed development on such archaeological material.

A report, containing the results of the assessment, shall be submitted to the planning authority and, arising from this assessment, the developer shall agree in writing with the planning authority details regarding any further archaeological requirements (including, if necessary, archaeological excavation) prior to commencement of construction works.

In default of agreement on any of these requirements, the matter shall be referred to An Bord Pleanála for determination.

Reason: In order to conserve the archaeological heritage of the area and to secure the preservation (in-situ or by record) and protection of any archaeological remains that may exist within the site. 16. Prior to commencement of development, the developer shall lodge with the planning authority a cash deposit, a bond of an insurance company, or other security to secure the satisfactory provision of services required in connection with the development, coupled with an agreement empowering the local authority to apply such security or part thereof to the satisfactory completion of any part of the development. The form and amount of the security shall be as agreed between the planning authority and the development of agreement, shall be referred to An Bord Pleanála for determination.

Reason: To ensure the satisfactory completion of the development.

17. The developer shall pay to the planning authority a financial contribution 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. Details of the application of the terms of the Scheme shall be agreed between the planning authority and the developer or, in default of such agreement, the matter shall be referred to An Bord Pleanála to determine the proper application of the terms of the Scheme.

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.

Note: The Board considered the design amendments required by the foregoing conditions adequately addressed the issues raised by the Inspector and that the removal of a full floor was therefore not warranted.

Please apprise the applicant with the provisions of s.34(13) of the Act.

Please issue a copy of the Direction with the Order.

Board Member:

Date: 23rd March 2017

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