

Board Direction PL26.247597

The submissions on this file and the Inspector's report were considered at a Board meeting held on March 29th 2017.

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

Reasons and Considerations

Having regard to the provisions of the Gorey Town and Environs Local Area Plan 2010-2016 and of the draft Gorey and Environs Local Area Plan 2017 – 2023, and having regard to the planning history of the adjoining site to the north and to the pattern of development in the vicinity, it is considered that, subject to compliance with the conditions set out below, the proposed development would not seriously injure the amenities of the area or of property in the vicinity, would be consistent with the zoning and the emerging pattern of development in the area, and would be acceptable in terms of pedestrian and traffic safety. 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, 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) At least four number car parking spaces shall be equipped to charge electric vehicles.
 - (b) At least 24 number covered cycle parking stands shall be provided.

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 order to comply with development plan standards and to promote sustainable modes of transport.

- A comprehensive boundary treatment and landscaping scheme shall be submitted to, and agreed in writing with, the planning authority prior to commencement of development. This scheme shall include the following: -
 - (a) Details of all proposed hard surface finishes, including samples of proposed paving slabs/materials for footpaths, kerbing and road surfaces within the development.
 - (b) Proposed locations of trees and other landscape planting in the development, including details of proposed species and settings.

- (c) Details of proposed street furniture, including bollards, lighting fixtures and seating.
- (d) Details of proposed boundary treatments at the perimeter of the site, including heights, materials and finishes.

The boundary treatment and landscaping shall be carried out in accordance with the agreed scheme.

Reason: In the interest of visual amenity.

4. Details of the materials, colours and textures of all the external finishes to the proposed office building shall be submitted to, and agreed in writing with, the planning authority prior to commencement of development.

Reason: In the interest of visual amenity.

5. Water supply and drainage arrangements, including the attenuation and 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.

6. Prior to their installation, the developer shall submit to, and agree in writing with, the planning authority details of all the external signage for the proposed development. Thereafter, and notwithstanding the provisions of the Planning and Development Regulations, 2001, or any statutory provision amending or replacing them, no further signage or advertisement structures shall be installed, unless authorised by a further grant of planning permission.

Reason: In the interest of visual amenity and orderly development and to permit the planning authority to assess any such development through the statutory planning process.

7. Apart from any roof mounted plant necessary to serve the proposed office development, and notwithstanding the provisions of the Planning and Development Regulations, 2001, or any statutory provision amending or replacing them, no additional development shall take place at roof level, including any lift motor enclosures, air handling equipment, storage tanks, ducts or other external plant, telecommunication aerials, antennas or equipment, unless authorised by a further grant of planning permission.

Reason: To protect the visual amenities of the area, and to permit the planning authority to assess any such development through the statutory planning process.

8. A plan containing details for the management of waste and, in particular, recyclable materials within the development, including the provision of facilities for the storage, separation and collection of the waste and, in particular, recyclable materials and for the ongoing operation of these facilities 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, in particular recyclable materials, in the interest of protecting the environment.

 All service cables associated with the proposed development shall be underground. All existing over ground cables crossing or bounding the site shall be relocated underground as part of the site development works. Reason: In the interest of visual and residential amenity.

10. 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 the 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.

Board Member

Date: 29th March 2017

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