

Board Direction PL15.248340

The submissions on this file and the Inspector's report were considered at a Board meeting held on September 14th 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

1.1. Having regard to the zoning objectives for the area and the pattern of development in the area, 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 property in the vicinity, would be acceptable in terms of traffic impact and would 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 24th day of February 2017, 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 proposed café at ground floor level and basement level in No. 1 Seatown Place shall be omitted and the associated floor area shall be incorporated into the residential unit, so as to provide one residential unit within this building.
 - (b) The proposed extension to the rear of house No 2 Seatown Place shall be omitted and the rear garden areas shall be reorganised so as to provide equal areas of private open space for the two dwellings hereby permitted

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 interests of residential amenity.

3 The two dwellings shall each be used as a private dwelling house and shall not be sub-divided into multi-occupancy use or amalgamated or used for any other purpose.

Reason: To protect the amenities of properties in the vicinity.

4-Details of the materials, colours and textures of all the external finishes to the proposed extensions 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- (a) An accredited conservation architect or equivalent conservation expert shall be employed to manage, monitor and implement the works on the site and to ensure adequate protection of the retained and historic fabric during the works. In this regard, all permitted works shall be designed to cause minimum interference to the retained building and facades structure and/or fabric.

(b) All repair works to the protected structures shall be carried out in accordance with best conservation practice as detailed in the application and the Architectural Heritage Protection Guidelines for Planning Authorities issued by the Department of Arts, Heritage and the Gaeltacht in 2011. The repair works shall retain the maximum amount of surviving historic fabric in situ, including structural elements, plasterwork (plain and decorative) and joinery and shall be designed to cause minimum interference to the building structure and/or fabric. Items that have to be removed for repair shall be recorded prior to removal, catalogued and numbered to allow for authentic reinstatement.

- (c) All existing original features, including interior and exterior fittings/features, joinery, plasterwork, features (including cornices and ceiling mouldings) staircases including balusters, handrail and skirting boards, shall be protected during the course of refurbishment.
- (d) where possible the remaining rainwater goods and bargeboard shall be repaired and reused, the replacement rainwater goods and bargeboard shall match the original in terms of design and materials,
- (e) replacement windows shall be modelled on surviving windows and shall match them in dimensions, opening mechanism, profiles and materials;

Reason: To ensure that the integrity of the protected structures is maintained and that the structures are protected from unnecessary damage or loss of fabric.

6-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.

7-Site development and building works shall be carried out between the hours of 0800 hours to 1900 hours Monday to Friday inclusive and between 0800 hours and 1400 hours on Saturdays and not at all on Sundays or Public Holidays. Deviation from these times shall be allowed in exceptional circumstances where prior written approval has been received from the planning authority.

Reason: In order to safeguard the residential amenities of properties in the vicinity.

Note to Direction:

In imposing condition 2b the Board was of the opinion that the proposed extension to No 2 Seaton Place would seriously injure the residential amenities of the adjoining properties and would constitute overdevelopment of the site. (Please issue copy of Direction with the Board Order)

Board Member Date:14/09/2017

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