

## **Board Direction BD-002636-19 ABP-303031-18**

The submissions on this file and the Inspector's report were considered at a Board meeting held on 20/03/2019.

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 proposed development and the policy objectives of the Wicklow County Development Plan, 2016 - 2022, and the extent of the development, it is considered that subject to compliance with conditions set out below, the development proposed to be carried out would not seriously injure the amenities of the area 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, and as amended by plans and particulars submitted to the Board on the 20<sup>th</sup> November 2018 and, except as may otherwise be required in order to comply with the following conditions.
Where such conditions require points of detail to be agreed with the planning

authority, these matters shall be the subject of written agreement and shall be implemented in accordance with the agreed particulars.

**Reason**: In the interest of clarity.

2. The houses, hereby permitted, shall not be separately sold off from the main estate nor shall the houses be owner occupied. The permitted houses shall be used for the purpose of long-term letting which shall be ancillary to the primary tourism use within Russbourrough House.

**Reason**; In the interest of clarity and the proposed site is located in a rural area where it is considered necessary to restrict the number of new houses in the area.

3. A 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 structure 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 Environment, Heritage and Local Government in 2011. The repair works shall retain the maximum amount of surviving historic fabric in situ, including structural elements, 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 re-instatement. (c) All existing original features, including interior and exterior fittings/features, shall be protected during the course of works.

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

4. An architectural impact statement and conservation plan for the proposed development shall be submitted to, and agreed in writing with, the planning authority prior to commencement of development. The development shall be carried out in accordance with this plan, and the relevant works shall be restricted to conservation, consolidation and presentation works.

**Reason**: To ensure that these elements of the historic structure are maintained and protected from unnecessary damage or loss of fabric.

5. The entire premise for each house shall be used as a single dwelling unit only.

**Reason**: To prevent unauthorised development.

6. Prior to the commencement of development, details of the materials, colours and textures of all the external finishes shall be submitted to the planning authority for agreement.

**Reason**: In the interest of orderly development and the visual amenities of the area.

 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 and to ensure a proper standard of development.

8. Prior to the commencement of development the developer shall submit a full and detailed construction management plan which shall include a construction programme for the works, hours of operation, a traffic management plan, noise and dust mitigation measures(including details of truck wheel wash at the site entrances) and details of construction lighting. A Construction Manager shall be appointed to liaise directly with the council. Details to be agreed in writing with the Planning Authority.

**Reason**: In the interest proper planning and sustainable development of the area.

That all necessary measures be taken by the contractor to prevent spillage or deposit of clay, rubble or other debris on adjoining roads during the course of the works.

Reason: To protect the amenities of the area.

10. Prior to the commencement of development the developer shall submit, and obtain written agreement of the planning authority to, a plan containing details of the management of waste (and, in particular, recyclable materials) within the development including the provision of facilities for the separation and the collection of the waste and, in particular, recyclable materials, and for the ongoing operation of these facilities.

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

11. 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. 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 the Board to determine the proper application of the terms of the Scheme.

**Reason**: It is a requirement of the Planning and Development Act 2000 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**: In deciding to grant permission for both dwellings, the board noted that the proposed dwellings would continue to be in the ownership of the charitable foundation managing Russborough House, which is a protected structure of National importance. The Board considered that the development, albeit for longer term rental dwellings, came within the scope of tourism related accommodation associated with Russborough House and that the settlement was suitable to absorb an element of urban generated development in accordance with HD19 of the Wicklow County Development Plan, 2016 – 2022.

Board Member		Date:	20/03/2019
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