



An
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Pleanála

Board Direction
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The submissions on this file and the Inspector's report were considered at a Board meeting held on 07/07/2020.

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 Fingal Development Plan 2017-2023, including the residential zoning objective for the site, the planning history of the site and 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 residential or visual amenities of the area or of property in the vicinity, would not be detrimental to the character or amenities of the Howth Special Amenity Area, would be acceptable in terms of pedestrian and traffic safety, would constitute an acceptable form of development at this location. 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 11th day of July, 2019, 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. A minimum separation distance of 1.5m shall be provided between the northern elevation of proposed house No. 2 and the northern boundary of the site.

Reason: In the interest of clarity.

3. No flat roof above ground level shall be used as a balcony at any time, save for the proposed terrace areas located on the west elevation of proposed house Nos. 1 and 2. The depth of these terrace areas shall not exceed 3 metres.

Reason: In the interests of residential amenity.

4. Details of the materials, colours and textures of all the external finishes to the proposed development, 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. All bathroom/ensuite windows on each dwelling shall be fitted and permanently maintained with obscure glass.

Reason: In the interest of visual amenity.

6. Ducting shall be provided for all in-curtilage car parking spaces, to facilitate the installation of electric vehicle charging points/stations. Where proposals relating to the installation of electrical vehicle ducting and charging stations/points have not been submitted with the application, in accordance with the above requirements, such proposals shall be submitted to, and agreed in writing with, the Planning Authority prior to commencement of development, and the agreed provisions shall be carried out and completed prior to the making available by the developer for occupation of any of the residential units in the proposed development.

Reason: In the interest of sustainable transportation.

7. The landscaping scheme which was submitted to the planning authority on the 11th day of July, 2019 shall be carried out within the first planting season following substantial completion of external construction works.

All planting shall be adequately protected from damage until established. Any plants which die, are removed or become seriously damaged or diseased, within a period of five years from the completion of the development, shall be replaced within the next planting season with others of similar size and species, unless otherwise agreed in writing with the planning authority.

Reason: In the interest of residential and visual amenity.

8. 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.

9. Prior to commencement of development, the developer shall enter into water and/or wastewater connection agreement(s) with Irish Water.

Reason: In the interest of public health.

10. All service cables associated with the proposed development (such as electrical, telecommunications and communal television) shall be located

underground. Ducting shall be provided by the developer to facilitate the provision of broadband infrastructure within the proposed development.

Reason: In the interests of visual and residential amenity.

11. The internal road network serving the proposed development including turning bays, junctions, parking areas, footpaths and kerbs shall comply with the detailed standards of the planning authority for such road works and shall comply with all relevant aspects of DMURS.

Reason: In the interest of amenity and of traffic and pedestrian safety.

12. Proposals for a name and numbering scheme and associated signage for the proposed development shall be submitted to, and agreed in writing with, the planning authority prior to commencement of development.

Reason: In the interest of urban legibility.

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

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

14. Site development and building works shall be carried only out between the hours of 0800 and 1900 from Mondays to Fridays inclusive, between 0800 and 1400 hours on Saturdays and not at all on Sundays and public holidays. Deviation from these times will only 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 property in the vicinity.

15. A tree bond of €10,000 shall be lodged with the planning authority prior to the commencement of development in order to ensure that trees are protected and maintained in good condition during the construction of the proposed development. This bond shall be held by the planning authority for a period of two years post the construction of the proposed development, which period may be extended in the event of possible construction related effects.

Reason: In the interest of tree protection and amenity.

16. Prior to commencement of development, the developer shall lodge with the planning authority a bond of an insurance company, a cash deposit, or other security to secure the provision and satisfactory completion, and maintenance until taken in charge by the local authority, of roads, sewers, watermains, drains, car parks, open spaces and other 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 or maintenance of any part of the development. The security to be lodged shall be as follows -

(a) an approved insurance company bond in the sum of €40,000 (forty thousand euro), or

(b) a cash sum of €25,000 (twenty five thousand euro) to be applied by the planning authority at its absolute discretion if such services are not provided to its satisfaction, or

(c) such other security as may be accepted in writing by the planning authority.

Reason: To ensure the satisfactory completion and maintenance of the development until taken in charge.

17. The developer shall pay to the planning authority a financial contribution in lieu of the public open space shortfall that arises based on the provisions of Objectives DMS57 and Objective PM52 of the Development Plan and in accordance with Objective PM53 and 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.

18. 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.

Board Member

Date: 09/07/2020

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