

## **Board Direction BD-008956-21 ABP-307708-20**

The submissions on this file and the Inspector's report were considered at Board meetings held on 19/02/2021, 06/04.2021 and on 19/08/2021.

At the meeting held on the 19/02/2021 the board decided to defer consideration of the case and to issue a s.137 notice. Following submissions received on foot of the s.137 notice the Board further considered the case at a meeting held on the 06/04/2021 and decided to invoke s.131 and to request the applicant to provide revised public notices. The Board considered the submissions received at a meeting held on the 19/08/2021 and decided to grant permission, for the following reasons and considerations, and subject to the following conditions.

## **Reasons and Considerations**

Having regard to the policies and objectives of the Sligo County Development Plan 2017–2023, the Enniscrone Local Area Plan 2014-2020 and the Sustainable Residential Developments for Urban Areas Guidelines issued by the Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage in 2009 and updated in 2020, the nature and scale of the proposed development and the pattern of development in the area, it is considered that the proposed development would, subject to compliance with the conditions set out below, be consistent with the zoning objectives and policies, would not seriously injure the residential and visual amenities in the area and would be acceptable with regard to pedestrian and traffic safety. The proposed development would therefore be in accordance with the proper planning and sustainable development of the area.

In deciding not to accept the Inspector's recommendation to refuse permission, the Board considered that changes to the proposed development submitted on foot of the Section 137 notice, would provide an increased density of 30 units to the hectare

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would be consistent with the density required under the Enniscrone Local Area Plan 2014-2020 and the Sustainable Residential Developments for Urban Areas Guidelines issued by the Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage

## 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 25th day of May 2020 and 2nd day of June 2020, and by the further plans and particulars received by An Bord Pleanála on the 12th day of March 2021 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:

The solid curved balcony wall at second floor level to Duplex Apartment No.1 shall be redesigned to be parallel with the floor level.

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 visual amenity.

- 3. PA Condition No.2
- 4. PA Condition No.3

5. Proposals for an estate/street name, house numbering scheme and associated signage shall be submitted to, and agreed in writing with, the planning authority prior to commencement of development. Thereafter, all estate and street signs, and house numbers, shall be provided in accordance with the agreed scheme. [The proposed name(s) shall be based on local historical or topographical features, or other alternatives acceptable to the planning authority]. No advertisements/marketing signage relating to the name(s) of the development shall be erected until the developer has obtained the planning authority's written agreement to the proposed name(s).

Reason: In the interest of urban legibility [and to ensure the use of locally appropriate placenames for new residential areas].

6. Public lighting shall be provided in accordance with a scheme, which shall include lighting along pedestrian routes through open spaces, details of which shall be submitted to, and agreed in writing with, the planning authority prior to commencement of development. Such lighting shall be provided prior to the making available for occupation of any house.

Reason: In the interests of amenity and public safety.

7. 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. All existing over ground cables shall be relocated underground as part of the site development works.

Reason: In the interests of visual and residential 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 waste water connection agreement(s) with Irish Water.

Reason: In the interest of public health.

- 10. (a) All foul sewage and soiled water shall be discharged to the public foul sewer.
  - (b) Only clean, uncontaminated storm water shall be discharged to the surface water drainage system.

Reason: In the interest of public health.

11. The management and maintenance of the proposed development following its completion shall be the responsibility of a legally constituted management company. A management scheme providing adequate measures for the future maintenance of public open spaces, roads and communal areas shall be submitted to, and agreed in writing with, the planning authority prior to commencement of development.

Reason: To provide for the satisfactory future maintenance of this development in the interest of residential amenity

- 12. (a) 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] for each apartment unit 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.
  - (b) This plan shall provide for screened communal bin stores, the locations and designs of which shall be included in the details to be submitted.

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Reason: In the interest of residential amenity, and to ensure the provision of adequate refuse storage.

## 13. PA Condition No. 8

14. The internal road and vehicular circulation network serving the proposed development, including turning bays, junctions, parking areas, footpaths, and kerbs shall be in accordance with the detailed construction standards of the planning authority for such works and design standards outlined in DMURS. Details to be submitted

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

- 15. The width of the carriageways on the streets within the proposed development shall not exceed 5.5m. Where perpendicular parking is provided on those streets the additional width required for vehicles to manoeuvre shall be incorporated into the spaces in accordance with figure 4.82 of DMURS without increasing the width of the carriageway to more than 5.5m. Reason: In the interest of road safety."
- 16. A minimum of 10% of all communal car parking spaces should be provided with functioning EV charging stations/points, and ducting shall be provided for all remaining car parking spaces, including in-curtilage spaces, facilitating the installation of EV charging points/stations at a later date. Where proposals relating to the installation of EV ducting and charging stations/points has not been submitted with the application, in accordance with the above noted requirements, such proposals shall be submitted and agreed in writing with the Planning Authority prior to the occupation of the development.
  Reason: To provide for and/or future proof the development such as would facilitate the use of Electric Vehicles
- 17. 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 provision and satisfactory completion of roads,

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footpaths, watermains, drains, open space 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 of any part of the development. The form and amount of the security shall be as agreed between the planning authority and the developer or, in default of agreement, shall be referred to An Bord Pleanála for determination.

Reason: To ensure the satisfactory completion of the development.

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: 23/08/2021

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