

**Board Direction BD-010266-22 ABP-308838-20** 

The submissions on this file and the Inspector's report were considered at a Board meeting held on 15/03/2022.

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 policies and objectives of the Dublin City Development Plan, 2016-2022, including the Z1 zoning objective that applies to the site under which hotels are open for consideration and policy CEE 12 to support the provision of facilities such as hotels, as well as to the nature, scale and design of the proposed development, to the availability in the area of a wide range of social and transport infrastructure and to the pattern of existing and permitted 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 residential or visual amenities of the area or the amenities of property in the vicinity, would respect the existing character of the area and would be acceptable in terms of traffic and pedestrian safety and convenience and would represent a high quality architectural and urban design response to the site's context and its constraints. It is further considered that the proposed development would represent a positive re-use of a derelict brownfield inner city site at an appropriate scale given its location within the streetscape and proximity to excellent public transport links. The proposed development would, therefore, be in accordance with the proper planning and sustainable development of the area.

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## Conditions

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

The proposed railings bounding Cromwell's Quarters shall be coloured in a light grey finish to match the cut stone finish to the ground and first floor - St James Street elevation. Revised drawings shall be submitted to, and agreed in writing with, the planning authority prior to commencement of works on site.

Reason: In the interest of visual amenity.

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

Reason: In the interest of the visual amenities of the area.

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. In addition, prior to commencement of development, mitigation measures against the risk of flooding including measures to address egress of occupants from the building in the case of flooding of surrounding land shall be submitted to, and agreed in writing with, the planning authority.

Reason: In the interest of public health.

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

Reason: In the interest of public health.

All the plant equipment to the north-east corner of the site shall have acoustic attenuation and be located within an enclosure designed to buffer and screen the area at all times.

Reason: To protect the amenities of adjoining residential occupants.

No advertisement or advertisement structure, the exhibition or erection of which would otherwise constitute exempted development under the Planning and Development Regulations 2001, or any statutory provision amending or replacing them, shall be displayed or erected (on the building/within the curtilage of the site) unless authorised by a further grant of planning permission.

Reason: In the interest of visual amenity.

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 hours of working, noise management measures and off-site disposal of construction/demolition waste.

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

 No additional development shall take place above roof parapet level, including lift motor enclosures, air handling equipment, storage tanks, ducts or other external plant, unless authorised by a further grant of planning permission.

**Reason**: To protect the residential amenities of property in the vicinity and the visual amenities of the area.

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 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.

- 11 The developer shall comply with the following requirements of the planning authority:-
  - (a) no construction or site preparation work shall be carried out on the site until all archaeological requirements of the City Archaeologist are complied with,
  - (b) the project shall have an archaeological assessment (and impact assessment) of the proposed development, including all temporary and enabling works, geotechnical investigations, for example, boreholes and engineering test pits carried out for this site as soon as possible and before any site clearance/construction work commences. The assessment shall be prepared by a suitable qualified archaeologist and shall address the following issues:-
  - (i) the archaeological and historical background of the site, to include industrial heritage,
  - (ii) a paper record (written, drawn and photographic, as appropriate) of any historic building and boundary treatments,
  - (iii) the nature, extent and location of archaeological material on site by way of archaeological testing and/or monitoring of the removal of overburden,
  - (iv)the impact of the proposed development on such archaeological material,
  - (c) the archaeologist shall forward their method statement to the City Archaeologist in advance of commencement,
  - (d) where archaeological material is shown to be present, a detailed impact statement shall be prepared by the archaeologist which will include specific information on the location, form, size and level (corrected to Ordnance Datum)

of all foundation structures, ground beams, floor slabs, trenches for services and drains. The assessment shall be prepared on the basis of a comprehensive desktop study and, where appropriate/feasible, trial trenches excavated on the site by the archaeologist and/or remote sensing. The trial trenches shall be excavated to the top of the archaeological deposits only. The report containing the assessment shall include adequate ground plan and cross-sectional drawings of the site, and of the proposed development, with the location and levels (corrected to Ordnance Datum) of all trial trenches and/or bore holes clearly indicated. A comprehensive mitigation strategy shall be prepared by the consultant archaeologist and included in the archaeological assessment report,

- (e) no sub-surface work shall be undertaken in the absence of the archaeologist without their express consent. The archaeologist retained by the project to carry out the assessment shall consult the City Archaeologist in advance regarding the procedure to be adopted in the assessment,
- (f) a written and digital report (on compact disc) containing the results of the archaeological assessment shall be forwarded on completion to the City Archaeologist. The city archaeologist (in consultation with the National Monuments Service, Department of Culture, Heritage and Gaeltacht) shall determine the further archaeological resolution of the site,
- (g) the developer shall comply in full with any further archaeological requirement, including archaeological monitoring, and if necessary, archaeological excavation and/or the preservation in situ of archaeological remains, which may negate the facilitation of all, or part of any basement,
- (h) the developer shall make provision for archaeological excavation in the project budget and timetable,
- (i) prior to commencement of development, the developer shall agree the foundation layout with the City Archaeologist,
- (j) following submission of the final report to the City Archaeologist, where archaeologist material is shown to be present, the archaeological paper archive shall be compiled in accordance with the procedures detailed in the Dublin City Archaeological Archive Guidelines (2008 Dublin City Council) and lodged with the Dublin City Library and Archive.

- **Reason**: In the interest of preserving or preserving by record archaeological material likely to be damaged or destroyed in the course of development.
- 14. 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 and maintenance until taken in charge by the local authority or by a management company of 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 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 and maintenance of the development until taken in charge.

15. 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.

- 16. The developer shall pay to the planning authority a financial contribution as a special contribution under section 48(2) (c) of the Planning and Development Act 2000 in respect of works to improve the public domain on and near Cromwell's Quarters. The amount of the contribution shall be agreed between the planning authority and the developer or, in default of such agreement, the matter shall be referred to the Board for determination. The contribution shall be paid prior to the commencement of the development or in such phased payments as the planning authority may facilitate and shall be updated at the time of payment in accordance with changes in the Wholesale Price Index Building and Construction (Capital Goods), published by the Central Statistics Office.
  - **Reason:** It is considered reasonable that the developer should contribute towards the specific exceptional costs which are incurred by the planning authority which are not covered in the Development Contribution Scheme and which will benefit the proposed development.

**Board Member** 

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