

Board Direction BD-011251-22 ABP-309789-21

The submissions on this file and the Inspector's report were considered at a Board meeting held on 08/09/2022.

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 zoning objective for the site in the Waterford City and County Development Plan, 2022-2028, and the location of the site within the settlement boundary of the village of Cheekpoint, it is considered that, subject to compliance with the conditions set out below, the proposed development would be acceptable in terms of the policy requirements of the development plan, would not seriously injure the visual amenities of the area or the residential amenities of property in the vicinity and would not be prejudicial to public health. The proposed development would, therefore, be in accordance with the proper planning and sustainable development of the area.

## **Appropriate Assessment Screening**

The Board completed an Appropriate Assessment Screening exercise in relation to the potential effects of the proposed development on designated European Sites, taking into account the nature, scale and location of the proposed development within a zoned and serviced urban area, the Appropriate Assessment Screening for Proposed Development report submitted with the application, and the Inspector's report and submissions on file. In completing the screening exercise, the Board

adopted the report of the Inspector and concluded that, by itself or in combination with other development in the vicinity, the proposed development would not be likely to have a significant effect on any European Site in view of the sites' conservation objectives, and that a Stage 2 Appropriate Assessment is not, therefore, required.

## Conditions

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 9<sup>th</sup> day of December 2020 and 1<sup>st</sup> day of February 2021 and by the further plans and particulars received by An Bord Pleanála on the 23<sup>rd</sup> 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:
  - a) Additional screen planting shall be provided along the sites boundaries consisting predominantly of trees, shrubs and hedging of indigenous species. The planting shall be carried out in accordance with the agreed scheme and shall be completed within the first planting season following the commencement of construction works. 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.
  - b) The southern section of the proposed balcony shall comprise frosted safety glass panels.

Revised drawings and details 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 interest of residential amenity.

3. 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.

4. 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.

- 5. 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.

6. 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.

 Site development and building works shall be carried out only between the hours of 0800 to 1900 Mondays to Fridays inclusive, between 0800 to 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.

8. 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 noise management measures and off-site disposal of construction/demolition waste.

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

9. 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.

Note: The Board noted in the submissions on the file that temporary access on adjoining land for the purposes of the proposed construction via an existing access is proposed, and considered that the temporary access to the site during the period in which construction is being carried out would be exempted development under Schedule 2, Class 16 of the Planning an Development Regulations 2001 – 2022.

**Board Member** 

Date: 12/09/2022

