

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 18/07/2023.

The Board, in a majority 2:1 decision, decided to grant permission, for the following reasons and considerations, and subject to the following conditions.

Reasons and Considerations

Having regard to the provisions of the National Planning Framework, the Cork County Development Plan 2022– 2028 and that the site is located in an area that falls within the category 'Rural Area Under Strong Urban Influence', as set out in the *Sustainable Rural Housing Guidelines for Planning Authorities, 2005*, it is considered that the applicant satisfies the relevant policies and guidelines for a rural dwelling in this area, and that, subject to the conditions set out below, the proposed dwelling on this site would be compatible with the amenities of the area, would not give rise to a traffic hazard, and is consistent with the relevant design and siting requirements. 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 was satisfied that the applicant meets the provision for rural housing need "*in applying to build a first home for permanent occupation*" as set out in Objective RP 5-4 in the Cork County Development Plan 2022-2028. The Board considered that the applicant's part ownership of another rental property does not conflict with this provision in the Development Plan.

Conditions

1.	<p>The development shall be carried out in accordance with the plans and particulars lodged with the application, as amended by Further Information received by the planning authority on the 16th day of March 2022, 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.</p> <p>Reason: In the interest of clarity</p>
2.	<p>The proposed dwelling, when completed, shall be first occupied as a place of permanent residence by the applicant, members of the applicant's immediate family or their heirs, and shall remain so occupied for a period of at least seven years thereafter, unless consent is granted by the planning authority for its occupation by other persons who belong to the same category of housing need as the applicant. Prior to commencement of development, the applicant shall enter into a written agreement with the planning authority under section 47 of the Planning and Development Act, 2000 to this effect.</p> <p>(b) Within two months of the occupation of the proposed dwelling, the applicant shall submit to the planning authority a written statement of confirmation of the first occupation of the dwelling in accordance with paragraph (a) and the date of such occupation.</p> <p>This condition shall not affect the sale of the dwelling by a mortgagee in possession or the occupation of the dwelling by any person deriving title from such a sale.</p>


	<p>Reason: To ensure that the proposed house is used to meet the applicant's stated housing needs and that development in this rural area is appropriately restricted to meeting essential local need in the interest of the proper planning and sustainable development of the area.</p>
3.	<p>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.</p> <p>Reason: In the interest of visual amenity.</p>
4.	<p>Before development commences on foot of this permission, details relating to the entrance and required sightlines will be agreed in writing with the planning authority and the development shall be carried out and completed in accordance with the details agreed.</p> <p>Reason: In the interest of traffic safety and to ensure the proposal integrates appropriately within its setting.</p>
5.	<p>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.</p> <p>Reason: In the interest of public health and surface water management.</p>
6.	<p>Prior to the commencement of development, the developer shall enter into a water and wastewater connection agreement with Uisce Eireann (formerly Irish Water).</p> <p>Reason: In the interest of public health.</p>
7.	<p>(a) The proposed effluent treatment and disposal system shall be located, constructed and maintained in accordance with the details submitted to the planning authority, and in accordance with the requirements of the document entitled "Code of Practice - Wastewater Treatment and Disposal Systems Serving Single Houses (p.e. ≤ 10)" – Environmental Protection Agency, 2021. Arrangements in relation to the ongoing maintenance of the system shall be submitted to, and agreed in writing with, the planning authority prior to commencement of development.</p>

	<p>(b) Within three months of the first occupation of the dwelling, the developer shall submit a report from a suitably qualified person with professional indemnity insurance certifying that the proprietary effluent treatment system has been installed and commissioned in accordance with the approved details and is working in a satisfactory manner in accordance with the standards set out in the EPA document.</p> <p>Reason: In the interest of public health.</p>
8.	<p>Site development and building works shall be carried out only between the hours of 0700 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.</p> <p>Reason: In order to safeguard the amenities of property in the vicinity.</p>
9.	<p>All service cables associated with the proposed development (such as electrical, telecommunications and communal television) shall be located underground.</p> <p>Reason: In the interest of visual and residential amenity.</p>
10.	<p>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</p>

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


Martina Hennessy

Date: 19/07/2023

