

**Board Direction BD-015720-24 ABP-317598-23** 

The submissions on this file and the Inspector's report were considered at a Board meeting held on 04/03/2024.

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 location of the proposed development within the development boundary of Courtmacsherry, to the established pattern of existing and permitted development within the vicinity of the site and to the design and layout of the proposed development, it is considered that, subject to compliance with the conditions set out below, the proposed development would be acceptable in terms of public health, would not seriously injure the residential or visual amenities of the area or of property in the vicinity and would be acceptable in terms of traffic safety and convenience. 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 15th day of February 2023 and 26th day of May 2023, 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.

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

Reason: In the interest of visual amenity.

3. 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. No advertisements/marketing signage relating to the name of the development shall be erected until the developer has obtained the planning authority's written agreement to the proposed name.

Reason: In the interest of urban legibility.

4.

- (a) Prior to commencement of development, all invasive species shall be removed from the site by an invasive alien species specialist as per the recommendation of the submitted green infrastructure report.
- (b) The site shall be landscaped in accordance with the landscape plan and green infrastructure report submitted to the planning authority on 26th May 2023.
- (c) An updated landscaping plan indicating the retention of the existing southern, western and eastern boundaries of the site, shall be submitted to, and agreed in writing with, the planning authority prior to

- commencement of development. The plan shall be implemented in full under the supervision of a competent tree specialist.
- (d) 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 biodiversity and the visual and residential amenity of the area.

5. Public lighting shall be provided in accordance with a scheme, 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 unit.

Reason: In the interests of amenity and public safety.

6.

- (a) 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, in all respects, with the standards set out in the Design Manual for Urban Roads and Streets (DMURS), issued by the Department of the Environment, Community and Local Government in March 2019, as amended.
- (b) Pedestrian and cyclist warning signage shall be erected on the L-81131-0, in accordance with the details submitted on the 15th February 2023.

Reason: In the interest of amenity and for the safety of vulnerable road users.

7. Prior to the commencement of development, a Resource Waste Management Plan (RWMP), as set out in the Environmental Protection Agency's Best Practice Guidelines for the Preparation of Resource and Waste Management Plans for Construction and Demolition Projects (2021), shall be prepared and

submitted to the planning authority for written agreement. The RWMP shall include specific proposals as to how the RWMP will be measured and monitored for effectiveness. All records (including for waste and all resources) pursuant to the agreed RWMP shall be made available for inspection at the site office at all times.

Reason: In the interest of proper planning and sustainable development.

8. 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, shall be submitted to, and agreed in writing with, the planning authority prior to commencement of development. Thereafter, waste shall be managed in accordance with the agreed plan.

Reason: To provide for the appropriate management of waste in the interest of protecting the environment.

9. Prior to the commencement of any works associated with the development hereby permitted, the developer shall submit a detailed Construction Environmental Management Plan (CEMP) for the written agreement of the planning authority. The CEMP shall include details for the collection and disposal of construction waste, surface water run-off from the site, on-site road construction, and environmental management measures during construction including working hours, noise control, dust and vibration control and monitoring of such measures. A record of daily checks that the construction works are being undertaken in accordance with the CEMP shall be kept at the construction site office for inspection by the planning authority. The agreed CEMP shall be implemented in full in the carrying out of the development.

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

10. Site development and building works shall be carried out only between the hours of 0700 to 1800 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.

11. Prior to the commencement of any works associated with the development hereby permitted, the developer shall submit a Traffic Management Plan (TMP) for the construction phase of the development for the written agreement of the planning authority. The agreed TMP shall be implemented in full during the course of construction of the development.

Reason: In the interest of sustainable transport and safety.

12. Drainage arrangements, including the attenuation and disposal of surface water and the implementation of Sustainable Urban Drainage measures, shall comply with the detailed requirements of the planning authority for such works and services.

Reason: In the interest of public health.

13. Prior to commencement of development, the developer shall enter into water and wastewater connection agreements with Uisce Éireann.

Reason: In the interest of public health.

14. Details of any required wayleave agreements for the provision of surface water services shall be agreed in writing with the planning authority prior to commencement of the development.

Reason: To ensure adequate access to services.

15. 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.

16. The development hereby permitted shall be carried out and completed at least to the construction standards set out in the Recommendations for Site Development Works in Housing Areas issued by the Department of Environment and Local Government in November 1998. Following completion, the development shall be maintained by the developer in compliance with these standards until taken in charge by the planning authority.

Reason: To ensure that the development is carried out and completed to an acceptable standard of construction.

17. Prior to commencement of development, the applicant or other person with an interest in the land to which the application relates, shall enter into an agreement in writing with the planning authority in relation to the provision of housing in accordance with the requirements of section 94(4) and section 96(2) and (3) (Part V) of the Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended, unless an exemption certificate shall have been applied for and been granted under section 97 of the Act, as amended. Where such an agreement is not reached within eight weeks from the date of this order, the matter in dispute (other than a matter to which section 96(7) applies) may be referred by the planning authority or any other prospective party to the agreement to An Bord Pleanála for determination.

Reason: To comply with the requirements of Part V of the Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended, and of the housing strategy in the development plan of the area.

18. 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 of roads, footpaths, watermains, drains, public 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 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.

- 19. 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 the 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. The application of any indexation required by this condition 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.
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  - 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.
- 20. The developer shall pay a financial contribution of €5000 (five thousand euro) to the planning authority as a special contribution under Section 48(2)(c) of the Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended, in respect of improving storm water drainage capacity which benefits the proposed development. The contribution shall be paid prior to commencement of development or in such phased payments as may be agreed prior to the commencement of the development, and shall be subject to any applicable indexation provisions of the Scheme at the time of payment. Details of the terms of payment of this financial contribution shall be agreed in writing between the planning authority and the developer.

Reason: It is considered reasonable that the developer should contribute towards the specific exceptional costs which are incurred by the planning

authority in respect of public services, which are not covered in the Development Contribution Scheme or the Supplementary Development Contribution Scheme and which will benefit the proposed development.

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**Board Member** 

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