

An
Bord
Pleanála

Board Direction
BD-019562-25
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The submissions on this file and the Inspector's report were considered at a Board meeting held on 30/04/2025.

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 and character of the site and surrounding area in a rural area together with the provisions of the Wexford County Development Plan 2022-2028, including Objectives SH39 and SH45, it is considered that, subject to compliance with the conditions set out below, the scale and nature of the proposed development would be acceptable. The development would not seriously injure the visual or residential amenity of the area. The proposed development would, therefore, be in accordance with the proper planning and sustainable development of the area.

Conditions

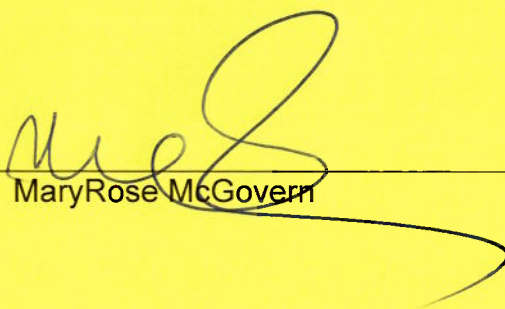
1.	The development shall be carried out and completed in accordance with the plans and particulars lodged with the application, as amended by the further plans and particulars received by the planning authority on the 07 th day of November 2024, except as may otherwise be required in order to comply with the following conditions. Where such conditions require details
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	<p>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>This permission is for one dwelling with a maximum floorspace of 298.7m² and a garage of 46.6m². Prior to the commencement of development, the applicant shall submit to the planning authority, revised dimensioned drawings illustrating the dwelling design.</p> <p>Reason: In the interest of clarity.</p>
3.	<p>(a) 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 ten 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 meet essential local need, in the interest of the proper planning and sustainable development of the area.</p>

4.	<p>The landscaping scheme shown on drawing titled 'Proposed Landscape Scheme', as submitted to the planning authority on the 15th day of August 2024 shall be carried out within the first planting season following substantial completion of external construction works. All planting shall be adequately protected from damage until established. 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.</p> <p>Reason: In the interests of residential and visual amenity.</p>
5.	<p>(a) The wastewater treatment system hereby permitted shall be installed in accordance with the recommendations included within the site characterisation report submitted with this application on 15th day of August 2024 and shall be in accordance with the standards set out in the document entitled "Code of Practice - Domestic Waste Water Treatment Systems (Population Equivalent ≤ 10)" – Environmental Protection Agency, 2021.</p> <p>(b) Treated effluent from the wastewater treatment system shall be discharged to a polishing filter which shall be provided in accordance with the standards set out in the document entitled "Code of Practice - Domestic Waste Water Treatment Systems (Population Equivalent ≤ 10)" – Environmental Protection Agency, 2021.</p> <p>(c) Within three months of the first occupation of the dwelling, the developer shall submit a report to the planning authority from a suitably qualified person (with professional indemnity insurance) certifying that the septic tank/ wastewater treatment system and associated works is constructed and operating in accordance with the standards set out in the Environmental Protection Agency document referred to above.</p> <p>Reason: In the interest of public health and to prevent water pollution</p>
6.	<p>(a) All surface water generated within the site boundaries shall be collected and disposed of within the curtilage of the site. No surface water from roofs, paved areas or otherwise shall discharge onto the public road or adjoining properties.</p>

	<p>(b) The access driveway to the proposed development shall be provided with adequately sized pipes or ducts to ensure that no interference will be caused to existing roadside drainage.</p> <p>Reason: In the interest of traffic safety and to prevent flooding or pollution.</p>
7.	<p>The existing front boundary hedge shall be retained except to the extent that its removal is necessary to provide for the entrance to the site.</p> <p>Reason: In the interest of visual amenity.</p>
8.	<p>The entrance gates to the proposed house shall be set back not less than four metres and not more than six metres from the edge of the public road. Wing walls forming the entrance shall be splayed at an angle of not less than 45 degrees and shall not exceed one metre in height.</p> <p>Reason: In the interest of traffic safety.</p>
9.	<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 matter shall be referred to An Bord Pleanála to determine the proper application of the terms of the Scheme.</p> <p>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.</p>

Board Member



MaryRose McGovern

Date: 01/05/2025