

An Bord Pleanála



PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT ACTS 2000 TO 2015

Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County

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APPEAL by William and Beatrice Durkan care of McGill Planning Limited of First Floor, 7 Fitzwilliam Street Upper, Dublin against the decision made on the 13th day of November, 2015 by Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County Council to refuse permission.

PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT: Construction of a single storey three-bedroomed detached house (circa 239 square metres), access onto Ballyedmonduff Road, on-site wastewater treatment system and all associated site development and landscaping works at Ballyedmonduff Road, Sandyford, Dublin.

DECISION

REFUSE permission for the above proposed development based on the reasons and considerations set out below.

MATTERS CONSIDERED

In making its decision, the Board had regard to those matters to which, by virtue of the Planning and Development Acts and Regulations made thereunder, it was required to have regard. Such matters included any submissions and observations received by it in accordance with statutory provisions.

REASONS AND CONSIDERATIONS

1. The proposed development is located in an area designated as a rural area under strong urban influence in the Sustainable Rural Housing Guidelines for Planning Authorities issued by the Department of Environment, Heritage and Local Government in 2005 and zoned G 'to protect and improve high amenity areas' in the Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County Council County Development Plan 2016 to 2022. National and local policy seeks to restrict housing in unserviced rural areas to applicants who have demonstrated a genuine need to live in such areas. The Board is not satisfied that the applicant has demonstrated a rural housing need in respect of the subject site. The development proposed on the subject site would consolidate a pattern of urban sprawl and would lead to demands for the uneconomic provision of public services in an unserviced rural area and would, therefore, be contrary to the said Guidelines and contrary to the proper planning and sustainable development of the area.

2. It is an objective of the planning authority as set out in the Dún Laoghaire Rathdown County Development Plan 2016 to 2022 to protect and encourage the enjoyment of views and prospects of special amenity value or special interest. The views from Ballyedmonduff Road are designated for protection in the said plan. The proposed development would result in the introduction of further residential development into the protected views and would further erode the quality of those views. The development would, therefore, materially contravene an objective set out in the development plan and would be contrary to the proper planning and sustainable development of the area.

**Member of An Bord Pleanála
duly authorised to authenticate
the seal of the Board.**

Dated this day of 2016.