# An Bord Pleanála



### PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT ACTS 2000 TO 2015

## **Wicklow County**

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**APPEAL** by Noel Been care of Brian Watchorn of 25 Tonlegee Lawns, Athy, County Kildare against the decision made on the 10<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2016 by Wicklow County Council to grant subject to conditions an outline permission to Kiltegan Construction care of Roger Yarwood Planning Consultant Limited of Wheatley Barn, Wheatley Road, Two Dales, Matlock, Derbyshire, DE4 2FF, United Kingdom in accordance with plans and particulars lodged with the said Council.

**PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT:** Outline permission for development consisting of four number one-and-a-half storey, detached dwellinghouses with garages, new site entrance and road, green area and all ancillary site works at Deerpark, Baltinglass, County Wicklow.

### **DECISION**

GRANT outline permission for the above proposed development in accordance with the said plans and particulars based on the reasons and considerations under and subject to the conditions 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.

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#### REASONS AND CONSIDERATIONS

Having regard to the nature and scale of the proposed development, to the RE residential land use zoning objective for the site as set out in the Baltinglass Town Plan, the proximity of the site to Baltinglass village centre and to community facilities, the pattern of development in the area, and the planning history of the site, it is considered that, subject to compliance with the conditions set out below, the proposed development would be in accordance with the provisions of the Wicklow County Development Plan 2010 - 2016, would not seriously injure the visual or residential 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 22<sup>nd</sup> day of February, 2016, 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 and the development shall be carried out and completed in accordance with the agreed particulars.

**Reason:** In the interest of clarity.

- 2. Plans and particulars to be submitted by way of a separate application for permission consequent on this grant of outline permission shall include the following:
  - (a) a detailed landscaping plan for the entire site including substantial tree and hedgerow planting and proposals for retention of existing trees,
  - (b) details of the site entrance and public footpath,
  - (c) proposals for the retention/reinforcement of existing boundary treatment,

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- (d) proposals to protect the privacy and amenity of existing adjacent properties, and
- (e) design proposals to provide for single storey houses of low profile.

**Reason:** In the interest of clarity and to define the subject matter for consideration at permission consequent stage.

3. The first sale of 50% of the proposed houses shall be restricted to persons who have been resident and/or employed in County Wicklow for at least one year. Details of the houses which are to be sold with this restriction shall be submitted to the planning authority. Confirmation of sale in accordance with this condition shall be submitted to the planning authority by a solicitor.

**Reason:** To comply with Policy UD6 of the Wicklow County Development Plan 2010-2016.

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 and to protect the environment.

5. The internal road network and access serving the proposed development, including turning bays, junctions, parking areas, footpaths and kerbs, shall be in accordance with the detailed standards of the planning authority for such road works.

**Reason:** In the interest of amenities and of traffic and pedestrian safety.

6. The development hereby permitted shall be carried out and completed at least to the construction standards set out in the Planning Authority's Taking in Charge Policy. 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.

7. Prior to the making available for occupation of any house, the internal road network shall be constructed to at least base wearing course.

**Reason:** To ensure timely and satisfactory provision of such site development works.

8. Footpaths shall be dished at road junctions in accordance with the requirements of the planning authority. Details of the locations and materials to be used in such dishing shall be submitted to, and agreed in writing with, the planning authority at permission consequent stage.

**Reason:** In the interest of pedestrian safety.

9. Public lighting shall be provided in accordance with a scheme, which shall include lighting along pedestrian routes through open spaces, details of which shall be submitted to, and agreed in writing with, the planning authority at permission consequent stage. Such lighting shall be provided prior to the making available for occupation of any house.

**Reason:** In the interest of amenity and public safety.

10. All service cables associated with the proposed development (such as electrical, telecommunications and communal television cables) shall be located underground. Ducting shall be provided by the developer to facilitate the provision of broadband infrastructure within the proposed development. All existing over ground cables shall be relocated underground as part of the site development works.

**Reason:** In the interests of visual and residential amenity.

11. Proposals for an estate/street name, house numbering scheme and associated signage shall be submitted to, and agreed in writing with, the planning authority at permission consequent stage. Thereafter, all estate and street signs, and house numbers, shall be provided in accordance with the agreed scheme. The proposed name(s) shall be based on local historical or topographical features, or other alternatives acceptable to the planning authority. No advertisements/marketing signage relating to the name(s) of the development shall be erected until the developer has obtained the planning authority's written agreement to the proposed name(s).

**Reason:** In the interest of urban legibility and to ensure the use of locally appropriate placenames for new residential areas.

12. The areas of public open space shown on the lodged plans shall be reserved for such use and shall be levelled, contoured, soiled, seeded, and landscaped in accordance with the detailed requirements of the planning authority. This work shall be completed before any of the dwellings are made available for occupation and shall be maintained as public open space by the developer until taken in charge by the local authority.

**Reason:** In order to ensure the satisfactory development of the public open space areas, and their continued use for this purpose.

13. The management and maintenance of the proposed development following its completion shall be the responsibility of a legally constituted management company, or by the local authority in the event of the development being taken in charge. Detailed proposals in this regard shall be submitted to, and agreed in writing with, the planning authority at permission consequent stage.

**Reason:** To ensure the satisfactory completion and maintenance of this development.

- 14. The developer shall facilitate the archaeological appraisal of the site and shall provide for the preservation, recording and protection of archaeological materials or features which may exist within the site. In this regard, the developer shall:-
  - (a) notify the planning authority in writing at least four weeks prior to the commencement of any site operation (including hydrological and geotechnical investigations) relating to the proposed development, and
  - (b) employ a suitably-qualified archaeologist prior to commencement of development. The archaeologist shall assess the site and monitor all site development works.

The assessment shall address the following issues:-

- (i) the nature and location of archaeological material on the site, and
- (ii) the impact of the proposed development on such archaeological material.

A report containing the results of the assessment shall be submitted to the planning authority with any application for permission consequent on this grant of outline permission. Details regarding any further archaeological requirements (including, if necessary, archaeological excavation) prior to the commencement of construction work, shall be determined at permission consequent stage.

**Reason:** In order to conserve the archaeological heritage of the area and to secure the preservation (in-situ or by record) and protection of any archaeological remains that may exist within the site.

15. 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 at permission consequent stage. This plan shall provide details of intended construction practice for the development, including noise management measures, on site car parking for construction vehicles and off-site disposal of construction/demolition waste.

**Reason:** In the interest of public safety and residential amenity.

16. At permission consequent stage, 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.

17. 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.

18. 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.

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

Dated this day of 2016.

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