# An Bord Pleanála



## PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT ACTS 2000 TO 2015

# **Longford County**

Planning Register Reference Number: 16/96

An Bord Pleanála Reference Number: PL 14.246991

**APPEAL** by Tracey Nally of 7 Inny View, Cluain Ri, Athlone Road, Ballymahon, County Longford against the decision made on the 30<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2016 by Longford County Council to grant subject to conditions a permission to Patrick J. and Margaret Cunningham care of Cunningham Design and Planning Limited of Block C, N4 Axis Centre. Longford in accordance with plans and particulars lodged with the said Council.

**PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT:** Change of residential development design previously granted permission under planning register reference number PL15/178 from six number to nine number two-storey detached type dwellinghouses, proposed connection to existing public services and all ancillary site works at Cluain Ri, Creevaghbeg, Ballymahon, County Longford.

#### **DECISION**

GRANT 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.

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## **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**

Having regard to the nature and scale of the proposed development, to the planning history of the overall residential estate and to the existing and permitted pattern of development in the vicinity of the site, it is considered that, subject to compliance with the conditions set out below, the proposed development would not seriously injure the amenities of the area, or of property in the vicinity and would be acceptable in terms of public and private open space, access and traffic safety. The proposed development would, therefore, be in accordance with the proper planning and sustainable development of the area.

#### CONDITIONS

The development shall be carried out and completed in accordance with the plans and particulars lodged with the application, 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.

- 2. The proposed development shall be amended as follows:-
  - (a) The proposed utility room extensions to the rear of the proposed dwellings shall be reduced in length by one metre, so that rear garden lengths of a minimum of 11 metres can be achieved.
  - (b) The windows on the side elevation of house number 6, serving the w.c. on the ground floor and the staircase/landing on the first floor, shall be permanently glazed with opaque glass.
  - (c) All rear gardens shall be bounded, both to sides and rear, by concrete block walls 1.8 metres in height, which shall be capped and finished either in dry dash or nap plaster. Concrete post and timber panel fences shall not be used.

Revised drawings showing compliance with these requirements shall be submitted to, and agreed in writing with, the planning authority prior to commencement of development.

**Reason:** In the interests of protecting the residential amenities of surrounding properties, and of providing durable boundary treatment to rear gardens, and in order to comply with the provisions of the Development Plan.

Details of the materials, colours and textures of all the external finishes
to the proposed dwellings shall be submitted to, and agreed in writing
with, the planning authority prior to commencement of development.
Roof colour shall be blue-black or dark grey in colour only, including
ridge tiles.

**Reason:** In the interest of visual amenity.

4. Site development and building works shall be carried out only between the hours of 08.00 and 18.00 Mondays to Fridays excluding bank holidays and between 08.00 hours and 13.00 hours on Saturdays and not at all on Sundays or 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 the interest of protecting the residential amenities of adjoining properties.

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5. 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 prior to commencement of development. This plan shall provide details of intended construction practice for the development, including noise management measures and off-site disposal of construction/demolition waste.

**Reason:** In the interests of clarity, orderly development and amenity.

6. Development described in Classes 1 or 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 2 to the Planning and Development Regulations, 2001, or any statutory provision modifying or replacing them, shall not be carried out within the curtilage of any of the proposed houses without a prior grant of planning permission.

**Reason:** In order to ensure that a reasonable amount of private open space is provided for the benefit of the occupants of the proposed houses.

7. All service cables associated with the proposed development (such as electrical, telecommunications and communal television) shall be located underground.

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

8. Water supply and drainage arrangements, including the 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.

9. 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 96(4) and 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 97(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 for the area.

10. 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.

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11. 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 the 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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