# An Bord Pleanála



# PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT ACTS 2000 TO 2016

# Waterford City and County

## Planning Register Reference Number: 16/525

An Bord Pleanála Reference Number: PL 93.247429

**APPEAL** by Brendan O'Brien care of BMA Planning of 128 Lower Baggot Street, Dublin against the decision made on the 22<sup>nd</sup> day of September, 2016 by Waterford City and County Council to refuse permission for the proposed development.

**PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT:** Change of use of existing retail/commercial unit (150 square metres) to off-licence. Permission also sought for amendments to the external elevation of the unit including signage and all associated site and development works at Ardkeen Shopping Centre, Dunmore Road, Waterford.

## DECISION

GRANT permission for the above proposed development in accordance with the plans and particulars lodged with the said council, 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.

Having regard to the zoning of the site in the Waterford City Development Plan 2013–2019, which is 'to provide and improve General Business Uses', to the planning history of the site (including a recent planning permission for retail development on the subject premises), to the pattern of development in the area, and to the nature and extent of the proposed development, it is considered that, subject to compliance with the conditions set out below, the proposed development would be in accordance with the zoning objective for the site, would not seriously injure the amenities of the area, would not result in the over proliferation of off-licence uses in the area and would be acceptable in terms of pedestrian and traffic safety. 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, 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. Details of the materials, colours and textures of all the external finishes to the proposed building shall be submitted to, and agreed in writing with, the planning authority prior to commencement of development.

**Reason:** In the interest of the visual amenities of the area.

3. The proposed signage, as indicated on submitted drawings, shall be restricted to individual lettering, which shall not be internally illuminated but may be backlit, affixed to the fascia of the front elevation.

**Reason:** To protect the visual amenities of the area.

4. Apart from the single sign referred to in condition 3 of this order, and notwithstanding the provisions of the Planning and Development Regulations, 2001, or any statutory provision amending or replacing them, no further advertisement signs (including any signs installed to be visible through windows), advertisement structures, banners, canopies, flags, or other projecting elements shall be displayed or erected on the proposed building or within the curtilage of the site, unless authorised by a further grant of planning permission.

**Reason:** In the interest of visual amenity and orderly development and to permit the planning authority to assess any such development through the statutory planning process.

5. Security roller shutters, if installed, shall be recessed behind the perimeter glazing and shall be factory finished in a single colour to match the colour scheme of the building. Such shutters shall be of the 'open lattice' type only, and shall not be used for any form of advertising, unless authorised by a further grant of planning permission.

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

6. Litter in the vicinity of the premises shall be controlled in accordance with a scheme of litter control which shall be submitted to, and agreed in writing with, the planning authority prior to commencement of development. This scheme shall include the provision of litter bins and refuse storage facilities.

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

7. 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 and, in particular, recyclable materials and for the on-going operation of these facilities shall be submitted to, and agreed in writing with, the planning authority prior to commencement of development. Thereafter, the waste shall be managed in accordance with the agreed plan.

**Reason:** To provide for the appropriate management of waste and, in particular recyclable materials, in the interest of protecting the environment.

8. 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 2017.