



Planning and Development Acts 2000 to 2017

Planning Authority: Cork County Council

Planning Register Reference Number: 16/05554

Appeal by James Landers and others care of Eabhlyd, Mineville, Knocknahorgan Wood Road, Glanmire, County Cork and by Bluescape Limited care of HW Planning of 5 Joyce House, Barrack Square, Ballincollig, County Cork and by others against the decision made on the 2nd day of March, 2017 by Cork County Council to grant subject to conditions a permission to the said Bluescape Limited in accordance with plans and particulars lodged with the said Council:

Proposed Development: Construction of 89 number dwellinghouses and all ancillary site development works. The proposed residential scheme comprises 32 number three-storey dwellings and 57 number two-storey dwellings. Access will be provided via a new vehicular entrance onto the adjacent public road, all at Knocknahorgan, Sallybrook, Glanmire, County Cork.

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.

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, scale and design of the proposed development as amended, to the residential zoning objective for the site as set out in the current development plan for the area and to the character of the general area, it is considered that, subject to compliance with the conditions set out below, the proposed development would not seriously injure the residential or visual amenities of the area or of property in the vicinity, would respect the existing character of the area 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 3rd day of February, 2017, 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. In relation to house type 3, the obscure glazed window on the side elevation serving the bedroom shall be omitted. Revised drawings showing compliance with this condition shall be submitted to and agreed in writing with the planning authority prior to commencement of development.

Reason: In the interest of residential amenity.

3. The developer shall reduce the retained height of the proposed reinforced concrete wall retaining structures along the access road to the satisfaction of the planning authority unless otherwise agreed with the planning authority. The developer shall include in his design a sufficiently wide level area along the top of all of the retaining structures to the satisfaction of the planning authority. The developer shall design/provide a side slope at a maximum of 1 in 2 (vertical to horizontal ratio) in the ground behind the retaining structures from the back edge of the wide level area provided at the top of the retaining structure. The extent of this “tapering”/side slope excavation shall be finalised to the satisfaction of the planning authority.

Reason: In the interest of orderly development.

4. 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.

Reason: In the interest of visual amenity.

5. Water supply and drainage arrangements, including the disposal of surface water, shall comply with the requirements of the planning authority for such works.

Reason: To ensure adequate servicing of the development, and to prevent pollution.

6.
 - (a) The roads and traffic arrangements serving the site (including signage) shall be in accordance with the detailed requirements of the planning authority for such works and shall be carried out at the developer's expense. Details in this regard shall be submitted to and agreed in writing with the planning authority prior to commencement of development.
 - (b) 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 prior to commencement of development.
 - (c) The internal road network to serve the proposed development (including junctions, parking areas, footpaths and kerbs) shall comply with the detailed standards of the planning authority for such road works.
 - (d) The materials used, including tactile paving, in any roads/footpaths provided by the developer to serve the school shall comply with the detailed standards of the planning authority for such road works.

Reason: In the interests of traffic, cyclist and pedestrian safety.

7. Public lighting shall be provided in accordance with a scheme, details of which shall be submitted to, and agreed in writing with, the planning authority prior to commencement of development. Such lighting shall be provided prior to the making available for occupation of any house.

Reason: In the interest of amenity and public safety.

8. All service cables associated with the proposed development (such as electrical, telecommunications and communal television) shall be located underground. Ducting shall be provided by the developer to facilitate the provision of broadband infrastructure within the proposed development.

Reason: In the interest of visual and residential amenity.

9. 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 the 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 and, arising from this assessment, the developer shall agree in writing with the planning authority details regarding any further archaeological requirements (including, if necessary, archaeological excavation) prior to commencement of construction works.

In default of agreement on any of these requirements, the matter shall be referred to An Bord Pleanála for determination.

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.

10. Proposals for an estate/street name, house numbering scheme and associated signage shall be submitted to, and agreed in writing with, the planning authority prior to commencement of development. Thereafter, all estate and street signs, and house numbers, shall be provided in accordance with the agreed scheme. 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.

11. The areas of public open space shown on the lodged plans shall be reserved for such use and shall be 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.

12. The developer shall retain the services of a suitably qualified Landscape Architect (or qualified Landscape Designer) throughout the life of the site development works. A Practical Completion Certificate shall be signed off by the Landscape Architect when all landscape works are completed to the satisfaction of the planning authority in consultation with the Parks and Landscape Services Department, and in accordance with the permitted landscape proposals.

Reason: In the interest of the proper planning and sustainable development of the area.

13. 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 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.

14. 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 interest of public safety and residential amenity.

15. A construction traffic management plan shall be submitted to, and agreed in writing with, the planning authority prior to commencement of development. The plan shall include details of arrangements for routes for construction traffic, parking during the construction phase, the location of the compound for storage of plant and machinery and the location for storage of deliveries to the site.

Reason: In the interests of public safety and residential amenity.

16. Site development and building works shall be carried out only between the hours of 0700 to 1900 Mondays to Fridays inclusive, between 0800 to 1600 hours on Saturdays and not at all on Sundays and 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 order to safeguard the amenities of property in the vicinity.

17. A plan containing details for the management of waste, including proposals for operational stage within the development and the provision of facilities for the storage, separation and collection of the waste and, in particular, recyclable materials 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.

18. Prior to commencement of development, the developer shall lodge with the planning authority a cash deposit, to secure the provision and satisfactory completion and maintenance until taken in charge by the local authority of roads, footpaths, sewers, watermains and public lighting 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.

19. 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

