

Board Order PL 06D.249420

Planning and Development Acts 2000 to 2017 Planning Authority: Dun Laoghaire-Rathdown County Council Planning Register Reference Number: D17A/0678

**Appeal** by the Minister for Education and Skills care of Tom Phillips and Associates of 80 Harcourt Street, Dublin against the decision made on the 20<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2017 by Dun Laoghaire-Rathdown County Council to grant subject to conditions a permission in accordance with plans and particulars lodged with the said Council.

**Proposed Development:** Amendments to development permitted under planning register reference number D16A/0542. The development will consist of amendments to the site's permitted southern boundary treatments and the erection of non-illuminated signage (measuring 29.32 square metres approximately) to the eastern elevation of the permitted school building; permission to amend condition number 14 of permission granted under planning register reference number D16A/0542 relating to the provision of a shuttle bus service for the new school building, all on a site area of 1.14 hectares approximately, off Belarmine Vale, Stepaside, Dublin.

## Decision

Having regard to the nature of the condition the subject of the appeal, the Board is satisfied that the determination by the Board of the relevant application as if it had been made to it in the first instance would not be warranted and, based on the reasons and considerations set out below, directs the said Council under subsection (1) of section 139 of the Planning and Development Act, 2000 to AMEND condition number 14 so that it shall be as follows for the reason set out.

4. Within one year of opening, the School Board of Management shall liaise with the local authority to determine whether there is a necessity to provide a shuttle bus service for the new school building. The necessity and demand for such a service shall be determined based on a full travel survey and the implementation of the Travel Plan (Mobility Management Plan). The provision of this information shall be part of the review and update of the school's Travel Plan every four years as per condition number 13 of permission granted under planning register reference number D16A/0542.

**Reason:** In the interests of reducing car transport and the proper planning and sustainable development of the area.

## **Reasons and Considerations**

Having regard to the nature and location of the proposed development, it is considered that the imposition of a condition requiring the operation of a shuttle bus service to be operational on the first day of opening of the school places an onerous burden on the applicant. It is considered that it has not be proven that there is necessarily a demand for such a service pending the implementation of the full suite of mobility management measures as set out in condition number 13 of the parent permission granted under planning register reference number D16A/0542.

It is considered however, that condition number 4 as amended, requiring the necessity for such a shuttle service to be reviewed after one year is reasonable. It is considered that the proposed development, including condition number 4 as amended, would, therefore, be in accordance with the proper planning and sustainable development of the area.

## **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.

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

Dated this day of 2018