

Board Order ABP-301947-18

Planning and Development Acts 2000 to 2018

Planning Authority: Waterford City and County Council

Planning Register Reference Number: 17/900

Appeal by Lucia Quealy care of Project Chartered Architects Limited of 21 Lower Main Street, Dungarvan, County Waterford against the decision made on the 31st day of May, 2018 by Waterford City and County Council to refuse permission to the said Lucia Quealy for the proposed development.

Proposed Development: Demolition of an existing single storey dwelling and outhouses and the construction of six number two-storey houses (two number three-bed end of terrace houses, two number two-bed mid terrace houses and two number two-bed end of terrace houses). All with site ancillary works and connections to public services at 'Cul na Greine', Knockateemore, Dungarvan, County Waterford.

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 location of the site in an area zoned 'Residential Medium' where it is the stated objective 'to protect the amenity of existing residential development and to provide for new residential development at medium density', to the pattern of development in the area and to the nature, design and scale of the proposed infill development at this serviced site, it is considered, subject to compliance with the conditions set out below, that the access, parking and circulation space is adequate and would not cause a traffic hazard or obstruct road users of this lightly trafficked road.

Notwithstanding the restricted depth of the proposed amenity spaces, it is considered that the proposed orientation, limited size and single storey nature of the dwellings to the south of the site would be an appropriate design response at this infill location, would provide adequate open space from the proposed units, would not seriously injure the amenities of properties in the vicinity and would, therefore, be in accordance with the proper planning and sustainable development of the area.

In deciding not to accept the Inspector's recommendation to refuse permission, the Board considered that the size, number of units and layout of the proposed development would not constitute a traffic hazard, would not result in undue overlooking and would provide adequate residential amenity for the future occupants.

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Appropriate Assessment

The site is located within circa 50 metres at the closest point to the Dungarvan

Bay Special Protection Area site. Having regard to the fact that the site is an

infill location within an existing developed urban area and that it is proposed

that any development would be connected to the public water and drainage

network, and to its location relative to Natura 2000 sites, no appropriate

assessment issues arise and it is not considered that the proposed

development would be likely to have a significant effect, either individually or

in combination with, other plans or projects on a European site.

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 May,

2018, 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 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.

 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.

- 4. (a) All foul sewage and soiled water shall be discharged to the public foul sewer.
 - (b) Only clean, uncontaminated storm water shall be discharged to the surface water drainage system.

Reason: In the interest of public health.

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

Reason: In the interests of amenity and of traffic and pedestrian safety.

6. 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 interests of amenity and public safety.

7. 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. 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.

8. All rear gardens shall be bounded by block walls, 1.8 metres in height, capped, and rendered, on both sides, to the written satisfaction of the planning authority.

Reason: In the interests of residential and visual amenity.

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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. The proposed name 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 of the development shall be erected until the developer has obtained the

Proposals for an estate/street name, house numbering scheme and

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

planning authority's written agreement to the proposed name.

- 10. The site shall be landscaped in accordance with a comprehensive scheme of landscaping, details of which shall be submitted to, and agreed in writing with, the planning authority prior to commencement of development. This scheme shall include the following:
 - (a) A plan to scale of not less than [1:500] showing
 - (i) The species, variety, number, size and locations of all proposed trees and shrubs, which shall comprise predominantly native species,
 - (ii) Details of screen planting which shall not include cupressocyparis x leylandii,
 - (iii) Details of roadside/street planting which shall not include prunus species,
 - (iv) Hard landscaping works, specifying surfacing materials and finished levels.
 - (b) Specifications for mounding, levelling, cultivation and other operations associated with plant and grass establishment.
 - (c) A timescale for implementation.

All planting shall be adequately protected from damage until established. Any plants which die, are removed or become seriously damaged or diseased, within a period of five years from the completion of the development, or until the development is taken in charge by the local authority, whichever is the sooner, shall be replaced within the next planting season with others of similar size and species, unless otherwise agreed in writing with the planning authority.

Reason: In the interests of residential and visual amenity.

- 11. (a) Prior to commencement of development, all trees, groups of trees, hedging and shrubs which are to be retained shall be enclosed within stout fences not less than 1.5 metres in height. This protective fencing shall enclose an area covered by the crown spread of the branches, or at minimum a radius of two metres from the trunk of the tree or the centre of the shrub, and to a distance of two metres on each side of the hedge for its full length, and shall be maintained until the development has been completed.
 - (b) No construction equipment, machinery or materials shall be brought onto the site for the purpose of the development until all the trees which are to be retained have been protected by this fencing. No work is shall be carried out within the area enclosed by the fencing and, in particular, there shall be no parking of vehicles, placing of site huts, storage compounds or topsoil heaps, storage of oil, chemicals or other substances, and no lighting of fires, over the root spread of any tree to be retained.

Reason: To protect trees and planting during the construction period in the interest of visual amenity.

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12. Construction and demolition waste shall be managed in accordance with a construction waste and demolition management plan, which shall be submitted to, and agreed in writing with, the planning authority prior to commencement of development. This plan shall be prepared in accordance with the "Best Practice Guidelines on the Preparation of Waste Management Plans for Construction and Demolition Projects", published by the Department of the Environment, Heritage and Local Government in July 2006. The plan shall include details of waste to be generated during site clearance and construction phases, and details of the methods and locations to be employed for the prevention, minimisation, recovery and disposal of this material in accordance with the provision of the Waste Management Plan for the Region in which the site is situated.

Reason: In the interest of sustainable waste management.

13. 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 hours of working, noise management measures and off-site disposal of construction/demolition waste.

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

14. 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.

15. 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.

16. 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.

Eugene Nixon

Member of An Bord Pleanála

duly authorised to authenticate
the seal of the Board.

Dated this day of 2018.

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