



Planning and Development Acts 2000 to 2018

Planning Authority: Dublin City Council

Planning Register Reference Number: 3272/18

Appeal by Upper Leeson Street Area Residents' Association care of Carmen Neary of P.O. Box 8411, Ballsbridge, Dublin and by Anthony Harrison of 5 Pembroke Road, Ballsbridge, Dublin against the decision made on the 13th day of November, 2018 by Dublin City Council to grant subject to conditions a permission to Davy Target Investments ICAV care of Declan Brassil and Company Limited of Lincoln House, Phoenix Street, Smithfield, Dublin in accordance with plans and particulars lodged with the said Council:

Proposed Development: Site clearance works including partial demolition of a car park structure at ground and podium level and the incorporation of the existing vehicular accesses at ground level, including the ramped access leading to podium level (both off Fleming's Place) within the proposed development. The proposed office building ranges in height between one and five storeys above basement level with a total gross floor area (GFA) of 3,460.5 square metres (above ground floor level). An ESB sub-station and two switch rooms are proposed at ground floor level accessed off Fleming's Place to the south. Vehicular access serving the proposed development is also provided off Fleming's Place through the continued use of an existing

ground level vehicular access leading to two (2) car lifts that service the basement level that provides 24 car parking spaces and one motorcycle parking space. A total of 29 bicycle parking spaces is provided at ground floor level together with staff shower facilities. A south-east facing roof terrace is provided at third floor level facing Waterloo Road. Pedestrian access to the proposed building is provided at ground floor level along the Waterloo Road frontage leading to reception facilities and the main stair/lift core. Public realm improvements at ground level to the front of the proposed building along the Waterloo Road frontage include the removal of six number trees and hard and soft landscaping of the area to include the provision of four number new planters, timber benches, disabled platform lift together with all associates site works, all on a site to the rear of Waterloo Exchange at the corner of Waterloo Road and Fleming's Place, Dublin.

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 provisions of the Dublin City Development Plan 2016-2022, the Z6 zoning objective, the existing pattern of development in the area, and the nature and scale of the proposed development, 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 or the integrity of the adjacent Protected Structures. 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 17th day of October 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 buildings 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. Water supply and drainage arrangements, including the disposal and attenuation 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. No signage, advertising structures/advertisements, security shutters, or other projecting elements, including flagpoles, shall be erected within the site unless authorised by a further grant of planning permission.

Reason: To protect the visual amenities of the area.

5. The developer shall facilitate the preservation, recording and protection of archaeological materials or features that 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,
 - (b) employ a suitably-qualified archaeologist who shall monitor all site investigations and other excavation works, and
 - (c) provide arrangements, acceptable to the planning authority, for the recording and for the removal of any archaeological material which the authority considers appropriate to remove.

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 site and to secure the preservation and protection of any remains that may exist within the site.

6. No additional development shall take place at roof level including any lift motor enclosures, air handling equipment, storage tanks, ducts or other external plant, telecommunications aerials, antennas or equipment, unless authorised by a further grant of planning permission.

Reason: In order to protect the visual amenities of the area and to permit the planning authority to assess any such development through the statutory planning process.

7. Site development and building works shall be carried out only between the hours of 0800 and 1900 from Mondays to Fridays inclusive, between 0800 and 1400 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.

8. 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.

9. 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.

10. 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.

Stephen Bohan

Member of An Bord Pleanála

**duly authorised to authenticate
the seal of the Board.**

Dated this day of 2019.