

Board Order ABP-303601-19

Planning and Development Acts 2000 to 2018 Planning Authority: Dún Laoghaire Rathdown County Council Planning Register Reference Number: D18A/1054

Appeal by Seán O'Donovan care of Diarmuid Ó Gráda of 16 Louvain, Roebuck Road, Dublin, by Michael Beausang care of Fergal MacCabe of 4 Summerhill Parade, Sandycove, Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown, County Dublin and by Ecotec Construction Limited care of Brock McClure of 63 York Road, Dún Laoghaire, County Dublin against the decision made on the 15th day of January, 2019 by Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County Council to refuse permission to the said Ecotec Construction Limited for the proposed development.

Proposed Development: The construction of eight number residential units (circa 1,483.7 square metres total Gross Floor Area) on lands adjacent to Gowrie House (a Protected Structure) consisting of six number three bed townhouses (three storeys) and two number two bed mews houses (two storeys), ranging in size from circa 138.8 - 209.4 square metres and all with associated car parking and private rear garden areas. The development shall provide for two number vehicular access points at Glenageary Road Upper (one existing access point and one new access point), all boundary treatment and landscaping works, site services and all associated site development works. There are no works proposed to Gowrie House as part of this application and the development of this property will remain as permitted

under planning register reference number D15A/0156 and An Bord Pleanála appeal reference PL06D.245864, all on site of circa 0.48 hectare at Gowrie House (a Protected Structure), 34 Glenageary Road Upper, Glenageary, County 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 design, height, scale and massing of the proposed development and the provisions of the Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County Development Plan 2016-2022, it is considered that, subject to compliance with the conditions set out below, the proposed development would integrate in a satisfactory manner with the existing built development in the area, would not detract from the character or setting of Gowrie House which is included in the Record of Protected Structures and would adequately protect the residential amenity of adjacent properties. 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 received by An Bord Pleanála on the 11th day of February 2019, 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.

 Details including samples of the materials, colours and textures of all the external finishes to the proposed units shall be submitted to, and agreed in writing with, the planning authority prior to commencement of development.

Reason: In the interest of visual amenity.

- (a) 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.
 - (b) The layout shall be amended in accordance with the revised drawings submitted to An Bord Pleanála on the 11th day of February, 2019 to provide for a six metre wide wayleave for a would be public sewer.

Reason: In the interest of public health.

- 4. (a) The site shall be landscaped in accordance with the Arborist Report and Landscape Plan (drawing number 18-380-DD-01) received by the planning authority on the 12th day of November, 2018. All landscaping shall be carried out within the first planting season following substantial completion of external construction works.
 - (b) 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, 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.

5. 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. Any existing over ground cables shall be relocated underground as part of the site development works.

Reason: In the interests of visual and residential amenity.

6. Public lighting shall comply with the detailed standards of the planning authority, details of which shall be submitted to, and agreed in writing with, the planning authority prior to the commencement of development. Such lighting shall be provided prior to the making available for occupation of any dwelling.

Reason: In the interests of amenity and public safety.

7. Access arrangements shall comply with the detailed standards of the planning authority for such works.

Reason: In the interests of amenity and traffic safety.

- 8. (a) 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 ongoing operation of these facilities for each unit 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.
 - (b) This plan shall provide for screened communal bin stores, the locations and designs of which shall be included in the details to be submitted.

Reason: In the interest of residential amenity, and to ensure the provision of adequate refuse storage.

- 9. (a) 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 and dust management measures and off-site disposal of construction/demolition waste.
 - (b) Site development and building works shall be carried out only between the hours of 0800 and 1900 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.
 - (c) All necessary measures shall be taken by the contactor to prevent the spillage or deposit of clay, rubble or other debris on adjoining roads during the course of the works. Deviation from these times

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

- 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 -
 - 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.

11. No units within the proposed development shall be sold separately, independent from the associated car parking provision. All the proposed car parking spaces shall be for occupants of the residential units and shall be sold off with the units and not sold separately or let independently from the residential development.

Reason: In the interest of orderly development

12. 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.

13. The management and maintenance of the proposed development following its completion shall be the responsibility of a legally constituted management company. A management scheme providing adequate measures for the future maintenance of communal open spaces, roads and communal areas shall be submitted to, and agreed in writing with, the planning authority prior to commencement of development.

Reason: To provide for the satisfactory future maintenance of this development in the interest of residential amenity.

14. 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 of roads, footpaths, watermains, drains, 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 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 of the development.

15. 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 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.

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

Dated this day of 2019.