

Board Order ABP-304806-19

Planning and Development Acts 2000 to 2019 Planning Authority: Cork County Council Planning Register Reference Number: 18/06293

Appeal by Neville Lester and Aishling Long of Summerhill House, Kilbeg, Bandon, County Cork against the decision made on the 6th day of June, 2019 by Cork County Council to grant subject to conditions a permission to Seán Canniffe and Brendan Hayden care of Barnes Murray De Bhaill of The Old Forge, Inishannon, County Cork in accordance with plans and particulars lodged with the said Council.

Proposed Development: Construction of six number two-storey semidetached dwellinghouses, the construction of a site entrance, connection to public mains water, connection to public foul sewer and all associated ancillary works at Watergate Street, Knockbrogan, Bandon, 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 location of the site within the existing built up area of Bandon, to the relevant provisions of the Cork County Development Plan, 2014 and of the Bandon Kinsale Municipal District Local Area Plan, 2017, to the existing pattern of development in the area and to 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 property in the area, would be acceptable in terms of layout and design, would be acceptable in terms of pedestrian and traffic safety and would constitute an appropriate form of development. 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 26th day of March, 2019 and on the 14th day of May, 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.

2. The internal access road surface shall be pulled back from the southern boundary by at least 1.5 metres, to ensure a sufficient buffer for landscape planting and management. Details of the revised layout shall be submitted to, and agreed in writing with, the planning authority prior to the commencement of development.

Reason: In the interests of visual and residential amenity.

3. The site shall be landscaped in accordance with a comprehensive scheme of landscaping including boundary treatment and the protection of all existing trees and hedgerows, save those for which removal is agreed in writing with the planning authority, details of which shall be submitted to, and agreed in writing with, the planning authority prior to commencement of development. 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.

4. Details of the retaining structures shall be agreed in writing with the planning authority. A letter of certification shall be provided by the Design Engineer responsible for the retaining structures, confirming that the structures have been constructed as per the design. Alternatively, this certification shall be provided by a suitably qualified structural design engineer to the written agreement of the planning authority.

Reason: In the interests of orderly development and residential amenity.

5. The formation of the vehicular access to the site and the provision of a footpath along the eastern boundary of the site shall be constructed in accordance with the requirements of the planning authority.

Reason: In the interests of orderly development and traffic safety.

6. The internal road network serving the proposed development, including the turning area, 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.

7. 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 the method for removing rock, intended construction practice for the development, including noise management measures and off-site disposal of construction/demolition waste.

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

8. Proposals for a 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.

Reason: In the interest of urban legibility.

 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.

10. The developer shall enter into water and wastewater connection agreements with Irish Water prior to commencement of development.

Reason: In the interest of public health.

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

12. 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 interests of visual and residential amenity.

13. 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.

Reason: In the interests of amenity and public safety.

14. 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 public 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.

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 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.

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 the 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.

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

Dated this day of 2019.