

Board Order ABP-304851-19

Building Control Acts 1990 to 2014

Building Control Authority: Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County Council Building Control Authority Register Reference Number: 18/8199

Appeal by University College Dublin care of Jeremy Gardner Associates of 9 Upper Baggot Street, Dublin in relation to the decision made on the 13th day of June, 2019 by Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County Council to refuse a revised fire safety certificate under section 6 (2)(a)(vi) of the Building Control Act, 1990, as amended by section 5 of the Building Control Act 2007, in respect of a material alteration comprising the removal of an external escape stair at Ardmore House, University College Dublin, Belfield, Dublin in accordance with the plans and particulars lodged with the said Building Control Authority:

Decision

Pursuant to the powers conferred on it by section 7 of the Building Control Act, 1990, as amended by section 6 of the Building Control Act 2007, An Bord Pleanála hereby refuses the appeal based on the Reasons and Considerations set out below.

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Reasons and Considerations

Having regard to the material alterations proposed, which include the removal of an external stair at Ardmore House, University College Dublin, it is considered that it has not been demonstrated that the design would comply with the requirements of Part B1 – means of escape in case of fire, and Part B3 – internal fire spread (structure), of Part B to the Second Schedule to the Building Regulations, 1997–2019.

Matters Considered

In making its decision, the Board had regard to those matters to which, by virtue of the Building Control 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.

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

Dated this day of 2020.

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