

Board Order ABP-305229-19

Planning and Development Acts 2000 to 2019 Planning Authority: South Dublin County Council Planning Register Reference Number: SD19A/0055

**Appeal** by Ballyboden Road Cottages Residents care of Paschal Comerford of 159 Ballyboden Road, Rathfarnham, Dublin against the decision made on the 24<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2019 by South Dublin County Council to grant subject to conditions a permission to Mary Bugler care of Hughes Planning and Development Consultants of 70 Pearse Street, Dublin in accordance with plans and particulars lodged with the said Council.

**Proposed Development:** Construction of a part-single (mono-pitched roof) part-three (pitched roof) storey apartment building to accommodate three number two-bedroom apartments at ground floor level and two number three-bedroom duplex units at first and second floor level. Each ground floor apartment unit to be served by private amenity space to the rear and each duplex unit to be served by a private balcony at first floor level (western elevation), one number dormer window and one number rooflight on front/western roofslope and one number dormer window and two number rooflights on rear/eastern roofslope. A new access road from Bolton Avenue will serve the residential development, together with the provision of a shared car parking area (seven number parking spaces), bin store, bicycle parking

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and all associated ancillary works necessary to facilitate this development including Sustainable Urban Drainage Systems surface water drainage, site works, boundary treatments and landscaping on lands at Buglers Ballyboden House, Ballyboden Road, Rathfarnham, Dublin (with frontage to Bolton Avenue, Rathfarnham, Dublin) and number 38 Glendoher Close, Rathfarnham, Dublin. Further public notices were received by the planning authority on the 27<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2019.

## 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 on lands zoned for residential development in the South Dublin County Development Plan 2016 – 2022, to the Guidelines for Planning Authorities on Sustainable Residential Development in Urban Areas issued by the Department of the Environment, Heritage and Local Government in May, 2009, and to the design and layout of the proposed infill development, it is considered that, subject to compliance with the conditions set out below, the proposed development would not seriously injure the residential or visual amenities of the area or of property in the vicinity, would not be prejudicial to public health and would be acceptable in terms of traffic safety and convenience. 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 5<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2019, except as may otherwise be required in order to comply with the following conditions. Where such conditions require details to be agreed 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.

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 All windows above ground floor level on the side elevations shall be finished in opaque glazing. The side panel to the proposed first floor balcony nearest number 1 Bolton Avenue shall also be finished in opaque glazing.

Reason: In the interest of residential amenity.

 Details of the materials, colours and textures of all the external finishes to the proposed development shall be submitted to, and agreed in writing with, the planning authority prior to commencement of development. Roof colour shall be blue black or slate grey in colour only, and ridge tiles shall be the same colour as the roof.

Reason: In the interest of visual amenity.

4. Footpath reinstatement at the developer's expense shall comply with the detailed standards of the planning authority for such works.

Reason: In the interest of orderly development.

5. 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 dwelling.

Reason: In the interests of amenity and public safety.

- 6. Prior to commencement of development, details of the following shall be submitted to, and agreed in writing with, the planning authority:
  - (a) A hard landscaping plan with delineation and specification of site boundary details including the external finishes.
  - (b) A soft landscaping plan incorporating native/indigenous species.
  - (c) Details of proposed boundary treatments.

Reason: In the interests of visual and residential amenity.

 Measures for the protection of those trees which it is proposed to retain shall be submitted to, and agreed in writing with, the planning authority before any trees are felled.

**Reason:** To facilitate the identification and subsequent protection of trees to be retained on the site, in the interest of visual amenity.

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 noise management measures, measures to ensure the safe removal, handling and disposal of asbestos and any other hazardous waste and off-site disposal of other construction/demolition waste.

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

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9. Water supply and drainage arrangements, including 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.

10. Prior to commencement of development, the developer shall enter into water and/or wastewater connection agreement(s) with Irish Water.

Reason: In the interest of public health.

11. 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 apartment 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.

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

12. 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.

13. All service cables associated with the proposed development (such as electrical, telecommunications and communal television) shall be located underground within the site. Ducting shall be provided by the developer to facilitate the provisions of broadband infrastructure within the proposed development.

Reason: In the interests of visual and residential amenity.

14. 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 residential amenities of property in the vicinity.

15. Proposals for naming, apartment numbering scheme and associated signage shall be submitted to, and agreed in writing with, the planning authority prior to commencement of development. Thereafter, all signs, and apartment numbers, shall be provided in accordance with the agreed scheme. The proposed name(s) 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(s) of the development shall be erected until the developer has obtained the planning authority's written agreement to the proposed name(s).

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

16. All of the parking areas serving the residential units shall be provided with functional electric vehicle charging points. Details of how it is proposed to comply with these requirements shall be submitted to, and agreed in writing with, the planning authority prior to commencement of development.

**Reason:** In the interest of sustainable transportation.

17. Prior to the commencement of development, the developer shall lodge with the planning authority a cash deposit, a bond of an insurance company or such other security as may be accepted in writing by the planning authority, to secure the protection of the trees on site and to make good any damage caused during the construction period, coupled with an agreement empowering the planning authority to apply such security, or part thereof, to the satisfactory protection of any tree or trees on the site or the replacement of any such trees which die, are removed or become seriously damaged or diseased within a period of three years from the substantial completion of the development with others of similar size and species. 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 secure the protection of the trees on the site.

18. 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.

19. 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.

Paul Hyde Member of An Bord Pleanála duly authorised to authenticate the seal of the Board.

Dated this day of 2020.