

Board Order ABP-305301-19

Planning and Development Acts 2000 to 2019

Planning Authority: Cavan County Council

Planning Register Reference Number: 19/52

Appeal by Noel and Pamela Brady of Tierlahood, Stradone, County Cavan against the decision made on the 2nd day of August, 2019 by Cavan County Council to grant subject to conditions a permission to Patrick Brady care of Damian McGivney of Knockategart, Stradone, County Cavan in accordance with plans and particulars lodged with the said Council.

Proposed Development: (1) Construction of an agricultural slatted shed to incorporate slatted areas, cubicle accommodation, loose bedded area, feed passage and underground slurry storage tanks and (2) completion of all associated and ancillary site works at Tirlahode Lower, Stradone, County Cavan, as amended by the further public notice received by the planning authority on the 9th day of July, 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 nature and scale of the proposed development and its proximity to an existing farmyard complex, 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 respect the existing rural character of the area 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 proposed 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 25th 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 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 retained, carried out and completed in accordance with the agreed particulars.

Reason: In the interest of clarity.

- 2. The agricultural shed shall be used only in strict accordance with a management schedule which shall be submitted to, and agreed in writing with, the planning authority prior to commencement of development. The management schedule shall be in accordance with the European Union (Good Agricultural Practice for Protection of Waters) (Amendment) Regulations, 2017, as amended, and shall provide at least for the following:
 - (i) Details of the number and types of animals to be housed.
 - (ii) The arrangements for the collection, storage and disposal of slurry.
 - (iii) Arrangements for the cleansing of the buildings and structures (including the public road, where relevant).

Reason: In order to avoid pollution and to protect residential amenity.

3. All foul effluent and slurry generated by the proposed development and in the farmyard shall be conveyed through properly constructed channels to the proposed and existing storage facilities and no effluent or slurry shall discharge or be allowed to discharge to any stream, river or watercourse, or to the public road.

Reason: In the interest of public health.

4. A minimum of 22 weeks storage shall be provided in the underground storage tanks. Prior to commencement of development, details showing how it is intended to comply with this requirement shall be submitted to, and agreed in writing, with the planning authority.

Reason: In the interest of environmental protection and public health.

5. Slurry generated by the proposed development shall be disposed of by spreading on land, or by other means acceptable in writing to the planning authority. The location, rate and time of spreading (including prohibited times for spreading) and the buffer zones to be applied shall be in accordance with the requirements of the European Union (Good Agricultural Practice for Protection of Waters) (Amendment) Regulations, 2017, as amended.

Reason: To ensure the satisfactory disposal of waste material, in the interest of amenity, public health and to prevent pollution of watercourses.

6. All uncontaminated roof water from buildings and clean yard water shall be separately collected and discharged in a sealed system to existing drains, streams or adequate soakpits and shall not discharge or be allowed to discharge to the foul effluent drains, foul effluent and slurry storage tanks or to the public road.

Reason: In order to ensure that the capacity of effluent and storage tanks is reserved for their specific purposes.

7. Site development and building works shall be carried out only between the hours of 0700 to 1800 Mondays to Fridays inclusive, between 0800 to 1400 hours on Saturdays and not at all on Sundays and public holidays. Deviated 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 following landscape measures shall apply to the site:
 - (a) all sound trees and hedgerow bounding the site shall be maintained,
 - (b) no new non-native tree species shall be introduced into the site or its boundaries,
 - (c) any failures within a tree planting scheme within five years of planting shall be replaced, and
 - (d) no invasive species shall be introduced into the site. Any invasive species occurring on the site shall only be dealt with any an invasive species specialist.

Reason: In the interests of visual amenity and biodiversity.

9. The external finish of the proposed development shall be Juniper green or similar dark green colour.

Reason: In the interest of visual amenity.

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.

Terry Ó Niadh

Member of An Bord Pleanála

duly authorised to authenticate
the seal of the Board.

Dated this day of 2020.