

# Board Order ABP-305309-19

Planning and Development Acts 2000 to 2019

Planning Authority: Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County Council

Planning Register Reference Number: D19A/0201

**Appeal** by Martin and Irene Browne of Magenta, Avoca Avenue, Blackrock, County Dublin and by Others against the decision made on the 8<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2019 by Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County Council to grant subject to conditions a permission to Hanobu Limited care of Extend Architects of 14 Castle Street, Dalkey, County Dublin in accordance with plans and particulars lodged with the said Council:

Proposed Development: (1) Demolition of a three-storey detached dwelling (297 square metres) and associated outbuildings, (2) construction of five number terraced, three bedroom, three-storey pitched roof dwellinghouses, (3) construction of nine number apartments in a four-storey building (consisting of two number one bedroom units, six number two bedroom units and one number three bedroom penthouse), (4) 20 number surface car parking spaces and private amenity open space to each dwelling and landscaped amenity open space for apartments, (5) extinguish existing vehicular entrance on Priory Avenue and replace with pedestrian only entrance, (6) new vehicular and pedestrian entrance on Grove Avenue, (7) new public footpath along Grove Avenue, (8) landscaping, tree planting and boundary treatments and associated works, (9) SuDS surface water drainage,

foul water and potable water connections, and (10) all ancillary works necessary to facilitate the development, all on lands at Old Meadow, Priory Avenue/Grove Avenue, Blackrock, County Dublin. The proposed development was revised by further public notices received by the planning authority on the 15th 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 provisions of the Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County Development Plan, 2016–2022, and to the overall scale, design and height 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 visual or residential amenities of the area or of property in the vicinity, and would be acceptable in terms of pedestrian and 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 received by the planning authority on the 15<sup>th</sup> day of July 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. Prior to commencement of development, the developer shall submit to and agree in writing with the planning authority a revised layout plan showing a minimum of nine 'Sheffield' bicycle stands for residents and visitors of the proposed development. The above shall be covered and secure in accordance with the requirements of the planning authority.

**Reason:** In the interest of proper planning and sustainable development.

3. No additional development shall take place above roof parapet level, unless authorised by a grant of planning permission.

**Reason:** In the interest of visual amenity.

4. 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.

**Reason:** In the interest of public health.

5. 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.

6. The site access arrangements and the internal road network serving the

proposed development, including parking areas, footpaths and kerbs,

shall be in accordance with the detailed requirements of the planning

authority for such works.

**Reason:** In the interests of amenity and of pedestrian and traffic safety.

7. Details of all boundary treatment shall be submitted to, and agreed in

writing with, the planning authority prior to commencement of

development.

**Reason:** In the interests of visual and residential amenity.

8. Prior to commencement of development, the developer shall submit to,

and agree in writing with, the planning authority a revised landscaping

plan which provides for additional native canopy tree planting to the east

of car parking space number 18 and to the east of apartment number 6.

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**Reason:** In the interest of amenity.

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Prior to commencement of any permitted development, the developer shall engage the services of a qualified arborist to act as consultant, for the entire period of construction activity. The developer shall inform the planning authority in writing of the appointment and name of the consultant, prior to commencement of development. The consultant shall visit the site at a minimum on a monthly basis, to ensure the implementation of all of the recommendations in the tree reports and plans. To ensure the protection of trees to be retained within the site, the developer shall implement all the recommendations pertaining to tree retention, tree protection and tree works, as detailed in the Arboricultural Method Statement and Tree Protection Plan in the submitted tree report. All tree felling, surgery and remedial works shall be completed upon completion of the works. All works on retained trees shall comply with proper arboricultural techniques conforming to BS 3998:2010 - Tree Work. Recommendations. The clearance of any vegetation including trees and shrub shall be carried out outside the bird-breeding season (1st March to 31<sup>st</sup> August inclusive) or as stipulated under the Wildlife Acts 1976 and 2000. The arborist shall carry out a post construction tree survey and assessment on the condition of the retained trees. A completion certificate is to be signed off by the arborist when all permitted development works are completed and in line with the recommendations of the tree report. The certificate shall be submitted to the planning authority upon completion of the works.

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**Reason:** To ensure and give practical effect to the retention, protection and sustainability of trees during and after construction of the permitted development.

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10. 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. All existing over ground cables crossing or bounding the site shall be relocated underground as part of the site development works, at the developer's expense.

**Reason:** In the interests of visual and residential amenity.

11. Proposals for an estate/street name, house/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 estate and street signs, and house/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 placenames for new residential areas.

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.

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

13. Site development and building works shall be carried only out 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.

14. 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, noise management measures and off-site disposal of construction/demolition waste.

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

15. A plan containing details for the management of waste 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 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 interests of residential amenity and proper waste management.

16. 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 unit.

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

17. 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 96(4) and 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 97(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 for the area.

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 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.

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**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.

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