

Board Order ABP-306004-19

Planning and Development Acts 2000 to 2019

Planning Authority: Wexford County Council

Planning Register Reference Number: 20190968

Appeal by Annette and Sebastien Prud'homme care of BPS Planning Consultants of 23 Saval Park Road, Dalkey, County Dublin against the decision made on the 30th day of October, 2019 by Wexford County Council to grant subject to conditions a permission to Clark Warren care of Nicholas Mernagh Architects of Mullanour, Wexford in accordance with plans and particulars lodged with the said Council:

Proposed Development: Erection of one number fully serviced dwelling house and domestic garage together with associated and auxiliary site works, all at Saint Johns, Enniscorthy Rural, County Wexford.

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, extent and design of the proposed development and the provisions of the Wexford County Development Plan 2013 – 2019 and the Enniscorthy Town and Environs Development Plan 2008 – 2014, as extended, 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, providing for a suitable density of development on zoned, serviceable lands. 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 7th day of October 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.

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Reason: In the interest of clarity.

 Water supply and drainage arrangements, including the 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.

 The developer shall enter into water and/or waste water connection agreement(s) with Irish Water, prior to commencement of development.

Reason: In the interest of public health.

4. All on-curtilage car parking spaces serving the house shall be provided with electric connections to the exterior of the house to allow for the provision of future 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.

5. The developer shall facilitate the archaeological appraisal of the site and shall provide for the preservation, recording and protection of archaeological materials or features which may exist within the site. In this regard, the developer shall:

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- (a) notify the planning authority in writing at least four weeks prior to the commencement of any site operation (including hydrological and geotechnical investigations) relating to the proposed development, and
- (b) employ a suitably-qualified archaeologist prior to the commencement of development. The archaeologist shall assess the site and monitor all site development works.

The assessment shall address the following issues:

- (i) the nature and location of archaeological material on the site, and
- (ii) the impact of the proposed development on such archaeological material.

A report, containing the results of the assessment, shall be submitted to the planning authority and, arising from this assessment, the developer shall agree in writing with the planning authority details regarding any further archaeological requirements (including, if necessary, archaeological excavation) prior to commencement of construction works.

In default of agreement on any of these requirements, the matter shall be referred to An Bord Pleanála for determination.

Reason: In order to conserve the archaeological heritage of the area and to secure the preservation (in-situ or by record) and protection of any archaeological remains that may exist within the site.

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6. All service cables associated with the proposed development (such as electrical, telecommunications and communal television) shall be located underground. Any existing over ground cables shall be relocated underground as part of the site development works.

Reason: In the interests of visual and residential amenity.

7. Details of the materials, colours and textures of all the external finishes to the proposed dwelling shall be submitted to, and agreed in writing with, the planning authority prior to commencement of development. Roof colour shall be blue-black, black, dark brown or dark grey in colour only.

Reason: In the interest of visual amenity.

- 8. The following requirements shall be adhered to in full:
 - (i) The vehicular access, serving the proposed development, shall comply with the requirements of the planning authority for such road works.
 - (ii) Any gate to be installed shall be inwards opening only and shall not open across the public footpath.

Reason: In the interests of traffic and pedestrian safety.

9. The proposed garage shall not be used for human habitation or for the keeping of livestock, poultry, pigs, horses or ponies and shall not be used for any purpose other than a purpose incidental to the enjoyment of the house. The external finishes to the proposed garage shall match that of the dwelling house.

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Reason: In the interest of clarity and in the interest of the proper planning and sustainable development of the area.

- 10. The site shall be landscaped in accordance with a comprehensive scheme of landscaping, details of which shall be submitted to, and agreed in writing with, the planning authority prior to commencement of development. This scheme shall include the following:
 - (a) A plan to scale of not less than 1:500 showing –
 - (i) The species, variety, number, size and locations of all proposed trees and shrubs which shall comprise predominantly native species such as mountain ash, birch, willow, sycamore, pine, oak, hawthorn, holly, hazel, beech or alder and which shall not include prunus species.
 - (ii) Details of roadside/street planting which shall not include prunus species.
 - (b) A timescale for implementation.

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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 two 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.

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11. Site development and building works shall be carried out only between the hours of 0800 and 1900 from Mondays to Fridays inclusive, between the hours of 0800 and 1400 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 necessary measures shall be taken by the contractor to prevent the spillage or deposit of clay, rubble or other debris on adjoining roads during the course of the works.

Reason: To protect the amenities of the area.

13. Surface water from the site shall not be permitted to drain onto the adjoining public road.

Reason: In the interest of traffic safety.

14. Footpaths shall be dished at road junctions in accordance with the requirements of the planning authority. Details of the locations and materials to be used in such dishing shall be submitted to, and agreed in writing with, the planning authority prior to commencement of development.

Reason: In the interest of pedestrian safety.

15. 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.

Maria FitzGerald

Member of An Bord Pleanála

duly authorised to authenticate
the seal of the Board.

Dated this day of 2020.