

Board Order ABP-306520-20

Planning and Development Acts 2000 to 2019 Planning Authority: Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County Council Planning Register Reference Number: D19A/0432

**Appeal** by Eugene Greene of Maryvale, 38A Church Road, Killiney, County Dublin and by Grainne Rothery and Kieran O'Daly of 3 Oakton Court, Ballybrack, County Dublin against the decision made on the 14<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2020 by Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County Council to grant subject to conditions a permission to Benem Properties Limited 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:** Demolition of existing single-storey dwelling and all ancillary structures on site and the construction of a part-two, part-three-storey residential development consisting of five number residential units as follows: two number two-bedroom apartments at ground floor level (79 square metres) and three number three-bedroom duplex units (140 square metres-148 square metres). Each ground floor apartment unit to be served by private terraces to the rear and front and each duplex unit to be served by private terraces to the rear and front at ground floor level, private balconies at first floor level (front and rear elevation) and second floor level (front elevation). A new upgraded access from Oakton Court will serve the residential

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development, together with the provision of a shared car parking area (eight number parking spaces), communal open space areas, bin store, 12 number bicycle parking spaces and all associated ancillary works necessary to facilitate the development including Sustainable Urban Drainage Systems surface water drainage, site works, boundary treatments and landscaping at 4 Oakton Court, Glenageary, Ballybrack, County Dublin. Further public notices were received by the planning authority on the 9<sup>th</sup> day of December, 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, extent and design of the development proposed, to the general character and pattern of development in the area and to the provisions of the Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County Development Plan 2016-2022, 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 property in the vicinity and would not be out of character with the area. 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 9<sup>th</sup> day of December, 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. 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.

Reason: In the interest of visual amenity.

- (a) All screen walls shall be as submitted with the planning application unless otherwise agreed in writing with the planning authority prior to commencement of development.
  - (b) All rear garden walls shall be as submitted with the planning application unless otherwise agreed in writing with the planning authority prior to commencement of development.
  - (c) Brick balcony walls at first floor shall be detailed to prevent open brick design from providing footholds for climbing.

Reason: In the interests of safety and visual amenity.

4. Proposals for an estate name, 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 unit 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.

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 apartment unit.

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

6. 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.

Reason: In the interests of visual and residential amenity.

7. At least one car parking space shall be provided with an electric vehicle charging station/point, and ducting shall be provided for all remaining car parking spaces facilitating the installation of electric vehicle charging points/stations at a later date. Where proposals relating to the installation of electric vehicle ducting and charging stations/points have not been submitted with the planning application, in accordance with the above noted requirements, such proposals shall be submitted to, and agreed in writing with, the planning authority prior to the making available by the developer for occupation of any of the residential units.

**Reason:** To provide for and/or future proof the development such as would facilitate the use of electric vehicles.

 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 interests of public health and surface water management.

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

Reason: In the interest of public health.

10. The site shall be landscaped (and earthworks carried out) in accordance with the detailed comprehensive scheme of landscaping which accompanied the planning application unless otherwise agreed in writing with the planning authority prior to commencement of development.

Reason: In the interests of residential and visual amenity.

11. 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 occupation of the development.

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

12. 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 and traffic management measures.

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

13. Construction and demolition waste shall be managed in accordance with a construction waste and demolition management plan, which shall be

submitted to, and agreed in writing with, the planning authority prior to commencement of development. This plan shall be prepared in accordance with the "Best Practice Guidelines on the Preparation of Waste Management Plans for Construction and Demolition Projects", published by the Department of the Environment, Heritage and Local Government in July, 2006. The plan shall include details of waste to be generated during site clearance and construction phases, and details of the methods and locations to be employed for the prevention, minimisation, recovery and disposal of this material in accordance with the provisions of the Waste Management Plan for the Region in which the site is situated.

Reason: In the interest of sustainable waste management.

14. Site development and building works shall be carried 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 or public holidays. Deviation from these times shall 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. 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.

16. 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.

Michelle Fagan Member of An Bord Pleanála duly authorised to authenticate the seal of the Board.

Dated this day of 2020.