

Board Order ABP-307572-20

Planning and Development Acts 2000 to 2020 Planning Authority: Cork County Council Planning Register Reference Number: 19/05522

Appeal by Michael and Bridie Rea care of Patrick A. Cashman and Associates of Farren House, Cork Road, Midleton, County Cork against the decision made on the 23rd day of June, 2020 by Cork County Council to grant subject to conditions a permission to Ruden Homes Limited care of Kieran J. Barry and Associates Limited of Cilldarragh House, Ferney Road, Carrigaline, County Cork in accordance with plans and particulars lodged with the said Council:

Proposed Development: Demolish existing outhouses and for the construction of 3 number dwellinghouses and to carry out all associated site works at Courtstown, Little Island, County Cork.

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.

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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 within the existing built up area and within the settlement boundary of Little Island, the design and form of the proposed development and the pattern of development in the area, it is considered that, subject to compliance with the conditions set out below, the proposed development would be generally in accordance with the Cork County Development Plan 2014 and Cobh Municipal District Local Area Plan 2017, would not seriously injure the amenities of adjacent residential neighbourhoods or of the property in the vicinity, would not be prejudicial to public and environmental 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 the 19th day of December, 2019 and on the 29th day of May, 2020, 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 dwellings shall be submitted to, and agreed in writing with, the planning authority prior to commencement of development.

Reason: In the interests of orderly development and visual amenity.

 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 and to ensure a proper standard of development.

4. 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.

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5. All service cables associated with the proposed development (such as electrical, communal television, telephone and public lighting cables) shall be run underground within the site. In this regard ducting shall be provided to facilitate the provision of broadband infrastructure within the development.

Reason: In the interest of orderly development and the visual amenities of the area.

6. 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. The scheme shall include the following:

A plan to scale of not less than 1:500 showing:

- the species variety, number, size and locations of all proposed trees and shrubs,
- details of screen planting which shall not include cupressocyparis x leylandii,
- (iii) a timescale for implementation.

Any plants which die, are removed or become seriously damaged or diseased, within a period of five 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 interest of residential and visual amenity.

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7. Prior to commencement of development, the developer shall submit a plan containing details for the management of waste within the development for written agreement with the planning authority.

Reason: In the interest of the residential and visual amenities of the area.

8. Site development and building works shall be carried out only between the hours of 0700 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.

9. 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 "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.

Reason: In the interest of sustainable waste management.

10. 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. The plan shall provide details of intended construction practice for the development, including noise management measures and off-site disposal of construction and demolition waste.

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

11. 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 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