



Planning and Development Acts 2000 to 2020

Planning Authority: Fingal County Council

Planning Register Reference Number: F19A/0603

Appeal by Christina Dwyer and Karl Dillon care of Hendrik van der Kamp of 1, Woodstown Court, Knocklyon, Dublin against the decision made on the 21st day of July, 2020 by Fingal County Council to refuse a permission to Christina Dwyer and Karl Dillon for the proposed development.

Proposed Development: Demolition of outbuildings and construction of a three-bedroom dormer bungalow on lands to the rear of the existing dwelling 'Matakana' the relocation of the existing vehicular entrance gate and the construction of a shared driveway and all associated works, all at 'Matakana', Greys Lane, Howth, County Dublin.

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 location of the site in a mature residential area and to the pattern of existing development in the area, it is considered that the proposed development, subject to compliance with the conditions set out below, would not seriously injure the amenities of the area or of property in the vicinity and would not conflict with the objectives, as set out in the Fingal County Development Plan, 2017 - 2023. 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 14th day of May, 2020, by the clarification of additional information, plans and particulars submitted on the 9th day of July, 2017, and by the plans and particulars received by An Bord Pleanála on the 12th day of August, 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. The proposed development shall be amended as follows:
 - (a) The proposed dwellings shall be in accordance with the first-floor plan submitted to An Bord Pleanála on the 12th day of August, 2020.
 - (b) Details of all boundary treatments shall be in accordance with the requirements of the planning authority.

Revised drawings showing compliance with these requirements 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.

3. 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.

Reason: In the interest of the visual amenity.

4. The windows indicated on Drawing Number 2019-045-ABP-200 shall be glazed with obscure and gradually obscured glass permanently.

Reason: To prevent overlooking of adjoining residential property.

5. The applicant or 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.

6. 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.

7. All public service cables for the development, including electrical and telecommunications cables, shall be located underground throughout the site.

Reason: In the interest of visual amenity.

8. The vehicular entrance serving the proposed development, including works to improve visibility shall comply with the requirements of the planning authority for such works.

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

9. 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 recommendations set out in the 'Arboricultural Report' submitted with this application on the 14th day of May, 2020, and 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] [which shall not include prunus species].
 - (ii) Details of screen planting [which shall not include cupressocyparis x leylandii].

- (iii) Details of roadside/street planting [which shall not include prunus species].
 - (iv) Hard landscaping works and finished levels.
- (b) Specifications for works associated with the landscape plan proposed.
- (c) A timescale for implementation.

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 five years from the completion of the development or until the development is taken in charge by the local authority, whichever is the sooner, 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.

10. Site development and building works shall be carried out only between the hours of 0800 and 1900 from Mondays to Fridays inclusive, between 0800 and 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.

11. 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 provision of the Waste Management Plan for the Region in which the site is situated.

Reason: In the interest of sustainable waste management.

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

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

13. 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.

Paul Hyde
Member of An Bord Pleanála
duly authorised to authenticate
the seal of the Board.

Dated this day of 2020.