

Board Order ABP-308400-20

Planning and Development Acts 2000 to 2020

Planning Authority: Cork County Council

Planning Register Reference Number: 20/00060

Appeal by Patrick Gaffney of 7 Novara Park, Antrim, County Antrim against the decision made on the 16th day of September, 2020 by Cork County Council to grant subject to conditions a permission to Michael O'Driscoll care of Frank Murphy and Partners Architects of Granary Hall, Rutland Street, Cork in accordance with plans and particulars lodged with the said Council.

Proposed Development: Construction of four number terraced dwellings, the demolition of an existing shed, forming a new entrance onto public road and associated site works, including the adjustment of ground levels at Fishermans Row, Baltimore, 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.

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 design, character and layout of the proposed development, it is considered that the proposed development, subject to compliance with the conditions set out below, would not adversely impact on the residential amenities of adjoining properties and would be in accordance with the provisions of the West Cork Municipal District Local Area Plan as they relate to the village of Baltimore. 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 drawings and details submitted to the planning authority on the 4th day of March, 2020 and the 20th 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 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.

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.

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

3. Details of the materials, colours and textures of all the external finishes to the proposed houses shall be submitted to, and agreed in writing with, the planning authority prior to commencement of development.

Reason: In the interest of visual amenity.

4. The developer shall employ a suitably qualified Structural Engineer to assess the site and to monitor all site development works at the construction phase associated with the retaining features to be constructed on the site. A report containing the results of the assessment and detailing the proposed construction methodologies shall be submitted to the planning authority for written agreement prior to commencement of construction works.

Reason: To protect the amenities of property in the vicinity.

5. The site shall be landscaped and the boundary treatment shall be provided in accordance with a comprehensive scheme, inclusive of the retention and consolidation of the front boundary wall and the provision of the retaining walls, details of which shall be submitted to, and agreed in writing with, the planning authority prior to commencement of development.

Reason: In the interests of residential 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.

 The developer shall enter into water and wastewater connection agreements with Irish Water, proper to commencement to of development.

Reason: In the interest of public health.

8. 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 and vibration management measures and off-site disposal of construction/demolition waste.

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

9. 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 Saturday 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.

10. 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.

Reason: In the interests of amenity and public safety.

11. 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, public open space, landscaping 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.

12. 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

Stephen Bohan

Member of An Bord Pleanála

duly authorised to authenticate
the seal of the Board.

Dated this day of 2021.