

Board Order ABP-308562-20

Planning and Development Acts 2000 to 2020

Planning Authority: South Dublin County Council

Planning Register Reference Number: SD20A/0203

Appeal by Vodafone Ireland Limited care of Towercom of Usher House, Main Street, Dundrum, Dublin against the decision made on the 5th day of October, 2020 by South Dublin County Council to refuse permission to Vodafone Ireland Limited for the proposed development.

Proposed Development: Extension of an existing telecommunications lattice tower (providing new overall height of 31.5 metres) carrying existing antennas, dishes and associated equipment and additional new antennas, dishes and associated equipment together with new ground equipment cabinets, new fencing and all associated site development works, all at Eir, Belgard Road, 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 provisions of the South Dublin County Development Plan 2016 - 2022, the "Telecommunications Antennae and Support Structures - Guidelines for Planning Authorities", issued by the Department of the Environment and Local Government in July 1996, as updated by Circular Letter: PL 07/2012, issued by the Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage on the 9th day of March, 2021, it is considered that, subject to compliance with the conditions set out below, the proposed development would be in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Development Plan and would not seriously injure the amenities of the area. The proposed development would, therefore, be in accordance with the proper planning and sustainable development of the area.

Conditions

The development shall be carried out and completed in accordance with the plans and particulars lodged with the application, 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 orderly development

2. The proposed mast and all associated antennas, equipment and fencing shall be demolished and removed from site when it is no longer required. Details relating to the removal and reinstatement shall be submitted to, and agreed in writing with, the planning authority, and shall be at the expense of the developer.

Reason: In the interest of orderly development.

3. Prior to the commencement of development, (a) plan(s) indicating the location of the nearest watermain, wastewater sewer and surface water sewer to the proposed fence shall be submitted to, and agreed in writing with, the planning authority prior to commencement of development.

Reason: In the interest of public health.

4. Surface water drainage arrangements for the proposed development shall comply with the requirements of the planning authority.

Reason: In the interest of public health.

 No advertisement or advertisement structure shall be erected or displayed on the proposed structure or its appendages or within the curtilage of the site without a prior grant of planning permission.

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

6. 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.

Reason: In the interests of public safety and residential amenity

Paul Hyde

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

Dated this 13th day of My 2021.