

Board Order ABP-310426-21

Planning and Development Acts 2000 to 2021

Planning Authority: Dublin City Council

Planning Register Reference Number: 3823/20

Appeal by Martin and Eileen Healy of 36 Chelmsford Road, Ranelagh, Dublin, by James Bruce of 9 Westmoreland Park, Ranelagh, Dublin and by Eoin Quinn and Jeremy Wales of 4 Chelmsford Close, Ranelagh, Dublin against the decision made on the 11th day of May, 2021 by Dublin City Council to grant subject to conditions a permission to Eoin Quinn and Jeremy Wales in accordance with plans and particulars lodged with the said Council:

Proposed Development: Construction of a new two-storey two bedroom house with pedestrian/cycling access off Westmoreland Park. Two on-site bicycle spaces are proposed in lieu of an on-site car parking space, all on lands to the side of existing dwelling at number 4 Chelmsford Close, Ranelagh, 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 objectives of the National Planning Framework, to the pattern of permitted development in the area, to the provisions of the Dublin City Development Plan 2016-2022, and to the layout and design as submitted and amended by drawings submitted to the planning authority on the 14th day of April 2021 following the request for further information, the Board considered that, subject to compliance with the conditions set out below, the proposed development would not seriously injure the residential or visual amenities of adjoining properties, would not seriously injure the residential amenities of future occupants, and would be acceptable in terms of traffic safety and convenience.

The development is also considered to be justified in accordance with:

- (a) Government policy to ramp up delivery of housing from its current undersupply as set out in Rebuilding Ireland – Action Plan for Housing and Homelessness issued in July 2016, and
- (b) Objective 13 of the National Planning Framework, which supports denser residential development on public transport corridors within the built-up area of Dublin city and its suburbs, as is proposed in this case.

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, 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.

The proposed development shall provide for a pedestrian access from 2. the north of the site onto Chelmsford Close. Pedestrian access gates shall not open outwards onto Chelmsford Close or Westmoreland Park.

Reason: In the interest of road safety, residential amenity and to ensure permeability.

Notwithstanding the exempted development provisions of the Planning 3. and Development Regulations, 2001, and any statutory provision replacing or amending them, no development falling within Class 1 or Class 3 of Schedule 2, Part 1 of those Regulations shall take place within the curtilage of the house without a prior grant of planning permission.

Reason: In order to ensure that a reasonable amount of rear garden space is retained for the benefit of the occupants of the dwelling.

4. 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 traffic management and access, noise management measures and off-site disposal of construction/demolition waste.

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

5. 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 visual amenity.

 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. Prior to commencement of development, the developer shall enter into water and/or waste water connection agreement(s) with Irish Water.

Reason: In the interest of public health.

8. 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.

9. Site development and building works shall be carried out only between the hours of 0800 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.

10. 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.

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