

# Board Order ABP-310524-21

Planning and Development Acts 2000 to 2020

**Planning Authority: Cork County Council** 

Planning Register Reference Number: 20/05774

Appeal by Patrick Delaney and Patricia Sheehan of Curragh Cottage, Careysville, Fermoy, County Cork against the decision made on the 20<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2021 by Cork County Council to grant subject to conditions a permission to DASCL Property Limited care of Meithal Architects of 15 Father Matthew Quay, Cork, County Cork in accordance with plans and particulars lodged with the said Council:

Proposed Development: (1) Demolition of a single storey existing commercial, and an existing three storey dwelling unit, and (2) construction of a three-storey residential development with two own-door apartment blocks (total nine number units) consisting of four number one bedroom ground floor apartments, one number one bedroom first floor apartment, four number two bedroom first floor duplex units, relocation of the existing advertising billboard, and creation of a new vehicular entrance off Oliver Plunkett Hill, and all necessary associated site services and ancillary works necessary to facilitate the development, at 4 Church Place, Oliver Plunkett Hill, Carrignagroghera, Fermoy, County Cork. The proposed development was revised by further public notices received by the planning authority on the 28th day of April, 2021.

### **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 provisions of the current Cork County Development Plan and the current Fermoy Town Council Development Plan, it is considered that, subject to compliance with the conditions set out below, the proposed development would be acceptable in terms of height, scale, and density, would not seriously injure the visual amenities of the area or the residential amenities of adjoining properties, would represent an appropriate design response to the site's context within a designated Architectural Conservation Area, and would be acceptable in terms of pedestrian, cyclist and traffic safety. The proposed development would, therefore, be in accordance with the proper planning and sustainable development of the area.

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#### Conditions

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 16<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2021 and the 28<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2021, 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 development shall be submitted to, and agreed in writing with, the planning authority prior to commencement of development.

Reason: In the interest of visual amenity.

- 3. A comprehensive boundary treatment and landscaping scheme shall be submitted to and agreed in writing with the planning authority, prior to commencement of development. This scheme shall include the following:-
  - (a) details of all proposed hard surface finishes, including samples of proposed paving slabs/materials for footpaths, kerbing and road surfaces within the development,
  - (b) proposed locations of trees and other landscape planting in the development, including details of proposed species and settings,

(c) details of proposed street furniture, including bollards, lighting

fixtures and seating; and

(d) details of proposed boundary treatments at the perimeter of the

site, including heights, materials and finishes of perimeter walls.

The boundary treatment and landscaping shall be carried out in

accordance with the agreed scheme.

**Reason:** In the interest of visual and residential amenity.

4. Prior to commencement of development, the developer shall provide

measures to preserve and protect the existing stone kerb in front of the

proposed vehicular entrance to the satisfaction of the planning authority.

Details in this regard shall be submitted to and agreed in writing with the

planning authority prior to commencement of development.

**Reason:** In the interest of protecting architectural heritage.

5. 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.

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.

 The developer shall enter into water and/or wastewater connection agreement(s) with Irish Water prior to the commencement 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 management measures and traffic management measures.

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

9. Construction and demolition waste shall be managed in accordance with a construction and demolition waste management plan, which shall be submitted to, and agreed in writing with, the planning authority prior to commencement of development. 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.

10. 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.

11. 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.

12. (a) A plan containing details for the management of waste and, in particular, recyclable materials within the development, including the provision of facilities for the storage, separation and collection of the waste and, in particular, recyclable materials for each apartment unit shall be submitted to, and agreed in writing with, the planning authority prior to commencement of development. Thereafter, the waste shall be managed in accordance with the agreed plan.

(b) This plan shall provide for screened communal bin stores, the locations and designs of which shall be included in the details to be submitted.

**Reason:** In the interest of residential amenity, and to ensure the provision of adequate refuse storage.

13. All of the communal parking areas serving the residential units shall be provided with functional electric vehicle charging points. Details of how it is proposed to comply with these requirements shall be submitted to, and agreed in writing with, the planning authority prior to commencement of development.

Reason: In the interest of sustainable transportation.

14. 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, open space 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.

15. 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 the 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.

John Connolly

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