

## Board Order ABP-311092-21

Planning and Development Acts 2000 to 2021

Planning Authority: Leitrim County Council

Planning Register Reference Number: 21/47

**Appeal** by Anthony and Frances O'Reilly of Gubacreeny, Kinlough, County Leitrim against the decision made on the 15<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2021 by Leitrim County Council to grant subject to conditions a permission to EBV Construction Limited care of Clement Travers of Sea Road, Bundoran, County Donegal in accordance with plans and particulars lodged with the said Council.

**Proposed Development:** Construction of six number two-bed semi-detached bungalows with a revised house type and layout to that previously granted under planning register reference numbers P.00/00035 and P.04/1761, and connection to on-site services and associated site works, all at Gubacreeny Townland, Kinlough, County Leitrim, as revised by the further public notices received by the planning authority on the 23<sup>rd</sup> day of June, 2021.

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## 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.

## Reasons and Considerations

Having regard to the location of the site on a infill site within an existing residential development, the residential zoning objective for the site, national and local policy objectives which support the development of infill sites, the pattern of development in the area, and the nature and scale of the proposed development, it is considered that, subject to compliance with the conditions set out below, the proposed development would be acceptable in terms of scale and form, would not seriously injure the residential or visual amenities of the area, would be acceptable in terms of pedestrian and traffic safety and would constitute an appropriate use at this location. The proposed development would, therefore, be in accordance with the proper planning and sustainable development of the area.

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## Conditions

The proposed 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 received by the planning authority on the 14<sup>th</sup> day of June, 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 proposed development shall be carried out and completed in accordance with the agreed particulars.

Reason: In the interest of clarity.

 All bathroom windows permitted as part of the proposed development shall be glazed in opaque glass.

Reason: In the interest of residential amenity.

 The site shall be landscaped, and the open space maintained in accordance with the landscaping details submitted with the planning application. All landscaping shall be completed prior to the first occupation of the proposed development.

Reason: In the interest of visual amenity.

4. Proposals for a naming scheme and associated signage shall be submitted to, and agreed in writing with, the planning authority prior to commencement of development. Thereafter, all street signs and house numbers shall be provided in accordance with the agreed scheme.

Reason: In the interest of urban legibility.

- 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 interest of visual and residential amenity.
- Drainage arrangements, including the disposal and attenuation 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 prior to commencement of development.

Reason: In the interest of public health.

8. The construction of the proposed 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 proposed development, including noise and dust management measures, a Traffic Management Plan and details of disposal of construction waste.

Reason: In the interest of public safety 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 or public holidays. Deviation from these times shall 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. All of the in-curtilage car parking spaces serving residential units shall be provided with electric connections to the exterior of the houses to allow for the provision of future 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.
- 11. Prior to the commencement of any house in the development, as permitted, the applicant or any person with an interest in the land shall enter into an agreement with the planning authority (such agreement must specify the number and location of each house) pursuant to Section 47 of the Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended, that restricts all houses permitted to first occupation by individual purchasers i.e. those not being a corporate entity, and/or by those eligible for the occupation of social and/or affordable housing, including cost rental housing.

**Reason:** To restrict new housing development to use by persons of a particular class or description in order to ensure an adequate choice and supply of housing, including affordable housing, in the common good.

12. Prior to commencement of development, the applicant or other person with an interest in the land to which the application relates shall enter into an agreement in writing with the planning authority in relation to the provision of housing in accordance with the requirements of section 94(4) and section 96(2) and (3) (Part V) of the Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended, unless an exemption certificate shall have been applied for and been granted under section 97 of the Act, as amended. Where such an agreement is not reached within eight weeks from the date of this order, the matter in dispute (other than a matter to which section 96(7) applies) may be referred by the planning authority or any other prospective party to the agreement to An Bord Pleanála for determination.

**Reason:** To comply with the requirements of Part V of the Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended, and of the housing strategy in the development plan of the area.

13. 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 planning 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.

14. 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.

15. The developer shall pay to the planning authority a financial contribution as a special contribution under section 48(2) (c) of the Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended, in respect of the costs of completing the road and associated services fronting the site. The amount of the contribution 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 for determination. The contribution shall be paid prior to commencement of development or in such phased payments as the planning authority may facilitate and shall be updated at the time of payment in accordance with changes in the Wholesale Price Index – Building and Construction (Capital Goods), published by the Central Statistics Office.

**Reason:** It is considered reasonable that the developer should contribute towards the specific exceptional costs which are incurred by the planning authority which are not covered in the Development Contribution Scheme and which will benefit the proposed development.

Chris McGarry

Member of An Bord Pleanála

duly authorised to authenticate

the seal of the Board.

Dated this

2023.