

Board Order ABP-311662-21

Planning and Development Acts 2000 to 2021

Planning Authority: Kerry County Council

Planning Register Reference Number: 21/489

Appeal by Tara Moran of 2 Fairway Drive, The Links, Ballybunion, County Kerry against the decision made on the 17th day of September, 2021 by Kerry County Council to grant subject to conditions a permission to John Brown care of Paul O'Dowd and Associates of Old Mill Lane, Charles Street, Listowel, County Kerry in accordance with plans and particulars lodged with the said Council:

Proposed Development: Construct six number semi-detached houses on sites 12,13,14,15,16 and 17 and all associated site works at Fairway Drive, The Links, Sandhill Road, Ballybunion, County Kerry as revised by the further public notices received by the planning authority on the 23rd day of August, 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.

Reasons and Considerations

Having regard to the residential zoning objective for the site and provision for infill development in the Listowel Municipal District Local Area Plan 2020-2026 as supported by the National Planning Framework 2040, the planning history and the pattern of development in the area which includes a mix of single and two-storey housing and extensive open space, together with the proposed nature, scale and layout of the proposed development, it is considered that, subject to compliance with the conditions set out below, the proposed development would not seriously injure the residential amenities of area, would be acceptable in terms of use, and would otherwise constitute an appropriate form of infill development in accordance with the orderly development of the town of Ballybunion. 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 plans and particulars received by the planning authority on the 6th and 23rd days of August 2021 and the 9th day of September 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.

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2. Details of the materials, colours and textures of all the external finishes to the proposed dwellings 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. 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.

4. A full and comprehensive boundary treatment plan drawing shall be submitted prior to the commencement of development on site for the written agreement of the planning authority. The boundary walls fronting common areas shall be plastered and capped on both sides.

Reason: To regulate and control the layout of the development.

 Finished floor levels shall not be more than 300 millimetres above existing ground levels measured at the lowest point along the external walls of the dwelling houses.

Within one month of the grant of permission, the applicant shall submit cross-sections through the site indicating the existing and proposed ground levels, service road level and the proposed finished floor levels.

Reason: To integrate the structure into the surrounding area.

6. 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.

7. The site shall be landscaped, using only indigenous deciduous trees and hedging species, in accordance with details which shall be submitted to, and agreed in writing with, the planning authority prior to commencement of development. Any plants which die, are removed or become seriously damaged or diseased, within a period of four years from the completion of the development, shall be replaced within the next planting season with others of similar size and species, unless otherwise agreed in writing with the planning authority.

Reason: In the interest of visual amenity.

8. 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.

9. 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.

10. 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.

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 and maintenance until taken in charge by the local authority of roads, footpaths, watermains, drains, public 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 or maintenance 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 and maintenance of the development until taken in charge.

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.

John Connolly

Member of An Bord Pleanála duly authorised to authenticate

the seal of the Board

Dated this 2 day of August 2022