

# Board Order ABP-311767-21

Planning and Development Acts 2000 to 2021

Planning Authority: South Dublin County Council

Planning Register Reference Number: SD21A/0135

**Appeal** by Ann Sheridan of 1 Minnowbrook, Terenure Road West, Terenure, Dublin against the decision made on the 29<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2021 by South Dublin County Council to grant subject to conditions a permission Number Four Red Limited care of Hussey Architects of 13 Gilford Road, Sandymount, Dublin in accordance with plans and particulars lodged with the said Council.

Proposed Development: Works comprising the demolition of the Little John Centre and the construction of a three to four storey development (on an overall site of 0.14 hectare) comprising 20 number one bedroom 'Housing for Older People' apartments (each with balcony/terrace). The development shall provide for one number vehicular access point via Cherry Grove; eight number car parking spaces; 20 number bicycle parking spaces; bin storage; an ESB substation and all boundary treatment, site services, landscaping and site development at The Little John Centre, 122-122A Cromwellsfort Road (incorporating 2 Cherry Grove and demolition of rear of 122A Cromwellsfort 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

The application site is zoned for local centre development in the South Dublin County Development Plan 2016-2022 where housing for older people is permitted in principle. Furthermore, it is an objective of the planning authority to facilitate a diverse range of dwelling tenures, social housing and housing for older persons within its administrative area. Having regard to these objectives and subject to compliance with the conditions set out below, it is considered that the proposed development would not give rise to an over-concentration of social housing in the area, would not seriously injure the residential amenity of adjoining property or give rise to traffic hazard and would, therefore, be in accordance with the current County Development Plan and 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 submitted on the 2<sup>nd</sup> 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.

- Prior to the commencement of development, the developer shall enter water and/or wastewater connection agreements with Irish Water.
   Reason: In the interest of public health.
- Surface water drainage arrangements shall comply with the requirements of the planning authority for such works.

Reason: In the interest of public health.

4. Notwithstanding the exempted development provisions of the Planning and Development Regulations, 2001, and any statutory provision amending or replacing them, the use of the proposed development shall be restricted to housing for older people (as specified in the lodged documentation), unless otherwise authorised by a prior grant of planning permission.

Reason: In the interest of residential amenity.



 Details of the external finishes of 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.

6. Public lighting shall be provided in accordance with a scheme, which shall include lighting along pedestrian routes through open spaces, details of which shall be submitted to, and agreed in writing with, the planning authority prior to commencement of development. Such lighting shall be provided prior to the making available for occupation of any apartment.

Reason: In the interests of amenity and public safety.

7. The areas of public open space shown on the lodged plans shall be reserved for such use. These areas shall be soiled, seeded, and landscaped in accordance with the landscaping scheme submitted to the planning authority. This work shall be completed before any of the apartments are made available for occupation.

**Reason:** In order to ensure the satisfactory development of the public open space areas, and their continued use for this purpose.

 Details of the access at Cherry Grove (including dishing of the footpath, gates and boundary walls) shall be submitted to, and agreed in writing with, the planning authority prior to commencement of development.

Reason: In the interest of public safety.



9. Site development and building works shall be carried only out between the hours of 0700 to 1900 Mondays to Fridays inclusive, between 0800 to 1400 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 internal road network serving the proposed development including turning bays, junctions, parking areas, footpaths and kerbs shall comply with the detailed standards of the planning authority for such road works.

Reason: In the interests of amenity and of traffic and pedestrian safety.

11. Proposals for a name for the proposed development and associated signage shall be submitted to, and agreed in writing with, the planning authority prior to commencement of development.

Reason: In the interest of urban legibility.



- 12. (a) The communal open spaces, including hard and soft landscaping, car parking areas and access ways, communal refuse/bin storage and all areas not intended to be taken in charge by the local authority, shall be maintained by a legally constituted management company
  - (b) Details of the management company contract, and drawings/particulars describing the parts of the development for which the company would have responsibility, shall be submitted to, and agreed in writing with, the planning authority before any of the apartments are made available for occupation.

**Reason:** To provide for the satisfactory future maintenance of this development in the interest of residential amenity.

13. A plan containing details for the management of waste (and, in, recyclable materials) within the development, including the provision of facilities for the storage, separation and collection of the waste and, in particular, recyclable materials and for the ongoing operation of these facilities 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.

**Reason:** To provide for the appropriate management of waste and, in particular recyclable materials, in the interest of protecting the environment.

14. 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 off-site disposal of construction/demolition waste.

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

15. A minimum of 10% of the communal parking areas serving the apartments shall be provided with functional electric vehicle charging points, and all other parking spaces serving the apartments shall be provided with electric connections to the exterior of the apartments 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.

16. 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 social and affordable housing in accordance with the requirements of section 96 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 97(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 for the area.

17. 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.

- 18. Prior to the commencement of development, the developer shall submit, for the written agreement of the planning authority, a plan indicating any part of the development, as approved, intended to be offered for Taking-in-Charge by the planning authority, such areas shall be fully consistent with the planning authority's taking-in-charge policy and requirements. The plan shall make provision for all of the following:
  - (a) All drainage and service ducts including accessories are fully located in, and accessible from, areas to be offered for Taking-in-Charge.
  - (b) Where applicable any wayleaves in favour of the planning authority shall be fully executed prior to being offered for Taking-in-Charge.
  - (c) Site features to be retained and protected within any part of the approved development intended to be offered for Taking-in-Charge.
  - (d) Any external common areas of the development as approved that it is intended to be retained in private ownership.

**Reason:** In the interest of the proper planning and sustainable development of the area and to provide clarity on the nature and extent of areas intended to be offered for Taking-in-Charge to the planning authority.



19. 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.

Terry Ó Niadh

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

Dated this 27 day of Coperl, 2022.