

Board Order ABP-312256-21

Planning and Development Acts 2000 to 2021

Planning Authority: Kildare County Council

Planning Register Reference Number: 21/586

Appeal by Jason Cross and Amy Quille of Number 5 Yellow Lough Park, Rathangan, County Kildare and by others against the decision made on the 23rd day of November, 2021 by Kildare County Council to grant subject to conditions a permission to Moortrim Limited care of Clarke and Company of Fairgreen, Nass, County Kildare in accordance with plans and particulars lodged with the said Council.

Proposed Development: (A) The development will consist of: (A) 28 number housing units consisting of: four number four-bedroom two-storey detached dual aspect units, eight number three-bedroom two-storey semi-detached units, eight number two-storey end of terrace units, four number one-bed two-storey middle of terrace units and four number three-bed bungalow semi-detached units. (B) Connection to public foul and surface water sewer systems at New Street, site entrance and all associated ancillary site works at Newtown, Rathangan, County Kildare.

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.

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Reasons and Considerations

Having regard to the residential zoning on the site and the policies and objectives of the Kildare County Development Plan 2017 - 2023, to the nature, location and extent of the proposed development and to the established character and pattern of development in the vicinity of the site, it is considered that, subject to compliance with the conditions set out below, the proposed development would not seriously injure the visual or residential amenities of the area, would be acceptable in terms of traffic safety and convenience and would, therefore, be in accordance with the provisions of the current Kildare County Development Plan and the proper planning and sustainable development of the area.

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 received by An Bord Pleanála on the 25th day of January, 2022, 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 be amended as follows:
 - (a) Detailed plans, sections, and layout of the FlorAwall noise barrier along the southern boundary of the site. The barrier shall be a minimum height of two metres.

(b) A site layout plan at a scale of 1:500 indicating a revised pedestrian and cycle way access onto the R414 Regional Road in place until such times as the new entrance is constructed on the delivery of the Roads Objective RN 25 (ii) of the Rathangan Small Town Plan of the Kildare County Development Plan, 2017 - 2023.

Revised drawings showing compliance with these requirements shall be submitted to, and agreed in writing with, the planning authority prior to commencement of development.

Reason: In the interests of visual and residential amenity.

3. The internal road network serving the proposed development, including turning bays, junctions, parking areas, footpaths and kerbs, shall be in accordance with the detailed construction standards of the planning authority for such works and design standards outlined in DMURS. Drawings and particulars showing compliance with these requirements shall be submitted to, and agreed in writing with, the planning authority prior to commencement of development.

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

- 4. (a) Prior to commencement of development, land required by the planning authority for road improvement on the northern boundary of the site (as indicated in the lodged documentation) shall be reserved free from development and shall be marked out on site and finished in consultation with the planning authority.
 - (b) The developer shall arrange for the transfer of lands and a set back from the boundary to construct the road as indicated on Drawing Number NRB-RFI-001.

Reason: In order to prevent development on lands which may be required for future road improvement.

- 5. (a) The landscaping scheme shown on the Landscape Masterplan, as submitted to the planning authority on the 30th day of April, 2022 shall be amended to reflect the design and layout in Drawing Number 5104-03-102. Landscaping shall be carried out within the first planting season following substantial completion of external construction works.
 - (b) In addition to the proposals in the submitted scheme, the following shall be carried out:
 - (i) Proposals for the planting scheme along the FlorAwall shall include native species, and planting shall be completed before the occupation of any residential unit.
 - (ii) Proposals for temporary landscaping for the area required for the Road Reservation.

All planting shall be of a native species and shall be adequately protected from damage until established. Any plants which die, are removed or become seriously damaged or diseased, within a period of five years from the completion of the development or until the development is taken in charge by the local authority, whichever is the sooner, 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 interests of residential and visual amenity.

6. 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, construction traffic management and off-site disposal of construction/demolition waste.

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

7. Comprehensive details of the proposed public lighting system to serve the development shall be submitted to, and agreed in writing with, the planning authority prior to commencement of development. The agreed lighting system shall be fully implemented and operational before the proposed development is made available for occupation.

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

- 8. The developer shall facilitate the archaeological appraisal of the site and shall provide for the preservation, recording and protection of archaeological materials or features which exist within the site. In this regard, the developer shall:-
 - (a) notify the planning authority in writing at least four weeks prior to the commencement of any site operation (including hydrological and geotechnical investigations) relating to the proposed development,
 - (b) employ a suitably qualified archaeologist prior to commencement of development. The archaeologist shall assess the site and monitor all site development works and consult with the planning authority where necessary, and

undertake the works required by the planning authority, including, the (c) preservation of material in situ, landscaping, temporary fencing, and

signage information prior to the occupation of any property.

In default of agreement on any of these requirements, the matter shall be

referred to An Bord Pleanála for determination.

Reason: In order to conserve the archaeological heritage of the site and to

secure the preservation and protection of any remains that may exist within the

site.

The developer shall enter into water and/or wastewater connection 9.

agreement(s) with Irish Water, prior to commencement of development.

Reason: In the interest of public health.

10. 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.

11. Proposals for an estate/street name, house numbering scheme and associated signage shall be submitted to, and agreed in writing with, the planning authority prior to commencement of development. Thereafter, all estate and street signs, and house numbers, shall be provided in accordance with the agreed scheme. The proposed name(s) shall be based on local historical or topographical features, or other alternatives acceptable to the planning authority. No advertisements/marketing signage relating to the name(s) of the development shall be erected until the developer has obtained the planning authority's written agreement to the proposed name(s).

Reason: In the interest of urban legibility and to ensure the use of locally appropriate place names for new residential areas.

12. A minimum of 10% of all communal car parking spaces shall be provided with functioning EV charging stations/points, and ducting shall be provided for all remaining ar parking spaces, including in-curtilage spaces, facilitating the installation of EV charging points/stations at a later date. Where proposals relating to the installation of EV ducting and charging stations/points has not been submitted with the application, in accordance with the above noted requirements, such proposals shall be submitted to, and agreed in writing with, the planning authority prior to the occupation of the development.

Reason: To provide for and/or future proof the development such as would facilitate the use of Electric Vehicles .

13. 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. All existing over ground cables shall be relocated underground as part of the site development works.

Reason: In the interests of visual and residential amenity.

14. 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.

15. Prior to the commencement of any house or duplex unit 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 or duplex unit), pursuant to Section 47 of the Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended, that restricts all houses and duplex units 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.

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 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.

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. 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 Brophy

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

Dated this 18 day of Acres 2023.