

Board Order ABP-312279-21

Planning and Development Acts 2000 to 2021

Planning Authority: Kilkenny County Council

Planning Register Reference Number: 21/714

Appeal by Hubert Daniels care of PBA Architects of Stoneyford, Kilkenny against the decision made on the 29<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2021 by Kilkenny County Council to grant subject to conditions a permission to Steven and Laura Ryan care of Mark Roberts Architecture of Green Street, Callan, County Kilkenny in accordance with plans and particulars lodged with the said Council:

**Proposed Development:** Construction of a single storey, four-bedroom dwelling house, a new site entrance, a bored well, and a new effluent treatment system with raised bed/percolation area and all associated site works on lands at Rahelty, Rathmoyle, County Kilkenny. Further public notices were received by the planning authority on the 3<sup>rd</sup> day of November, 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 condition set out below.

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## Reasons and Considerations

Having regard to the policy and objectives as set out in the Kilkenny City and County Development Plan 2021-2027 in respect of rural residential development, the nature, scale and design of the proposed development (as amended) and to the pattern of existing and permitted development in the area, it is considered that, subject to compliance with the conditions set out below, the proposed development would not seriously injure the residential or visual amenities of the area or of property in the vicinity, would respect the existing visual character of the area and would be acceptable in terms of traffic safety and convenience. 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 submitted to the planning authority on the 21st day of October, 2021 and as amended by the further plans and particulars received by An Bord Pleanála on the 14th day of February 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.

- 2. (a) The proposed dwelling, when completed, shall be first occupied as a place of permanent residence by the applicant, members of the applicant's immediate family or their heirs, and shall remain so occupied for a period of at least seven years thereafter unless consent is granted by the planning authority for its occupation by other persons who belong to the same category of housing need as the applicant. Prior to commencement of development, the applicant shall enter into a written agreement with the planning authority under section 47 of the Planning and Development Act, 2000 to this effect.
  - (b) Within two months of the occupation of the proposed dwelling, the applicant shall submit to the planning authority a written statement of confirmation of the first occupation of the dwelling in accordance with paragraph (a) and the date of such occupation.

This condition shall not affect the sale of the dwelling by a mortgagee in possession or the occupation of the dwelling by any person deriving title from such a sale.

**Reason**: To ensure that the proposed house is used to meet the applicant's stated housing needs and that development in this rural area is appropriately restricted to meeting essential local need in the interest of the proper planning and sustainable development of the area.

- (a) The site entrance shall be located as per the revised plans and particulars submitted to An Bord Pleanála on the 14<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2022.
  - (b) The site entrance shall consist of a sod and stone wall/earth mound together with appropriate gate design and planting. Details shall be submitted to, and agreed in writing with, the planning authority prior to commencement of work on site.

Reason: In the interest of visual amenity.

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- 4. (a) The treatment plant and polishing filter shall be located, constructed and maintained in accordance with the details submitted to the planning authority, and in accordance with the requirements of the document "Wastewater Treatment Manual: Treatment Systems for Single Houses (p.e. < 10)", issued by the Environmental Protection Agency in 2021. No system other than the type proposed in the submissions shall be installed unless agreed in writing with the planning authority.</p>
  - (b) Within three months of the first occupation of the dwelling, the developer shall submit a report from a suitably qualified person with professional indemnity insurance certifying that the raised percolation area is constructed in accordance with the standards set out in the Environmental Protection Agency document.

Reason: In the interest of public health.

- 5. (a) All surface water generated within the site boundaries shall be collected and disposed of within the curtilage of the site. No surface water from roofs, paved areas or otherwise shall discharge onto the public road or adjoining properties.
  - (b) The access driveway to the proposed development shall be provided with adequately sized pipes or ducts to ensure that no interference will be caused to existing roadside drainage.

Reason: In the interest of traffic safety and to prevent pollution.

6. The water supply to serve the proposed dwelling shall have sufficient yield to serve the proposed development, and the water quality shall be suitable for human consumption. Details, demonstrating compliance with these requirements, shall be submitted to, and agreed in writing with, the planning authority prior to commencement of development.

**Reason**: To ensure that adequate water is provided to serve the proposed dwelling, in the interest of public health.

Details of the materials, colours and textures of all the external finishes
to the proposed dwelling shall be submitted to, and agreed in writing
with, the planning authority prior to commencement of development.

Reason: In the interest of visual amenity.

8. 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.

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 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 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.

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Peter Mullan

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

Dated this 3rd day of Ward, 2023