

## Board Order ABP-313502-22

Planning and Development Acts 2000 to 2022

Planning Authority: Wexford County Council

Planning Register Reference Number: 20220192

**Appeal** by Elizabeth Cullen care of Marston Planning Consultancy of 23 Grange Park, Foxrock, Dublin against the decision made on the 8<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2022 by Wexford County Council to refuse permission for the proposed development.

**Proposed Development:** Demolition of the existing dormer three-bedroom dwelling and the construction of a dormer four-bedroom dwelling with a single storey element to the rear, with new associated domestic secondary wastewater treatment system and percolation area. Vehicular and pedestrian access will be via the existing and slightly modified entrance. The development will include all landscaping and associated site development works, all at Carnivan, Ramstown, Fethard-on-Sea, County Wexford.

## 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 Wexford County Development Plan 2022 -2028, and the scale and design of the proposed replacement dwelling, it is considered that the proposed development involving a replacement house, subject to compliance with the conditions set out below, would not seriously injure the amenities of property in the vicinity, would not be prejudicial to public health, would be acceptable in terms of traffic safety and visual amenity, and would be in accordance with the stated objectives of the development plan for the coastal zone. The proposed development would, therefore, be in accordance with 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 5<sup>th</sup> day of May, 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.

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

**Reason:** In the interests of orderly development and the visual amenities of the area.

3. The proposed vehicular entrance shall not exceed three metres in width and shall not have outward opening gates. The drainage arrangements at the road junction shall be in accordance with the requirements of the planning authority.

Reason: In the interests of clarity, and pedestrian and traffic safety.

4. Details of the boundary treatments, including repairs to banks or the stone wall along the southern boundary of the site, shall be submitted to, and agreed in writing with, the planning authority prior to the commencement of development.

**Reason:** In the interests of orderly development and the visual amenities of the area.

5. (a) The treatment plant and polishing filter shall be located, constructed and maintained in accordance with the details submitted to the planning authority on the 15<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2022, and with the requirements of the document entitled "Code of Practice – Wastewater Treatment and Disposal Systems Serving Single Houses (p.e. ≤ 10)" Environmental Protection Agency, 2021. No system other than the type proposed in the submissions shall be installed unless agreed in writing with the planning authority.

- (b) Certification by the system manufacturer that the system has been properly installed shall be submitted to the planning authority within four weeks of the installation of the system.
- (c) A maintenance contract for the treatment system shall be entered into and paid in advance for a minimum period of five years from the first occupancy of the dwellinghouse and thereafter shall be kept in place at all times. Signed and dated copies of the contract shall be submitted to, and agreed in writing with, the planning authority within four weeks of the installation.
- (d) Surface water soakways shall be located such that the drainage from the dwelling and paved areas of the site shall be diverted away from the location of the polishing filter.
- (e) 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 proprietary effluent treatment system has been installed and commissioned in accordance with the approved details and is working in a satisfactory manner and that the polishing filter is constructed in accordance with the standards set out in the Environmental Protection Agency document.

Reason: In the interest of public health.

 The existing shed shall not be used for habitable or commercial purposes or any other purpose other than those uses incidental to the enjoyment of the dwelling house.

Reason: In the interest of residential amenity.

7. 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.

8. The site shall be landscaped, using only indigenous deciduous trees and hedging species suitable to this coastal location. This scheme shall include the following:

(a) the establishment of a hedgerow along all side and rear boundaries of the site.

Any plants which die, are removed or become seriously damaged or diseased, within a period of five years from the date of this Order, 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 order to screen the development and assimilate it into the surrounding rural landscape, in the interest of visual amenity.

9. 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 hours of working, noise management measures and off-site disposal of construction/demolition waste.

Reason: In the interests of public safety and residential amenit

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 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.

Patricia Calleary

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

Dated this 20 day of September 2023.