

Board Order ABP-313546-22

Planning and Development Acts 2000 to 2022

Planning Authority: Dublin City Council

Planning Register Reference Number: 2647/21

Appeal by Peter MacMahon of Metrovets, 72 Meath Street, Dublin against the decision made on the 14th day of April, 2022 by Dublin City Council to grant permission, subject to conditions, to Michael Fitzgerald care of Buckley Partnership Architects of 5a Quinsborough Road, Bray, County Wicklow.

Proposed Development: The proposed development will consist of the phased demolition of the existing market building (806 square metres) in line with the phased construction of a mixed use development (2,294 square metres), including a new market building at ground floor. The development ranges from one to five storeys in height. The development will consist of: • The phased demolition of the existing single-storey market building and all associated elements (806 square metres) to be undertaken with the phased construction of a new market building and ancillary elements at ground floor with pedestrian access off Engine Alley, Crosstick Alley and Meath Street (740 square metres); • Construction of three number residential blocks containing 20 number apartments (four number studios; six number one-bed; nine number two-bed and one number three-bed units) above the market building, with pedestrian access off Engine Alley and Crosstick Alley that will consist of: Block A

bounding Engine Alley (three to five storeys) that will consist of eight number apartments; Block B bounding Meath Street (three to four storeys) that will consist of two number apartments; and Block C bounding Crosstick Alley (three to five storeys) that will consist of 10 number apartments. Each apartment block will also be accessed from and include a communal courtyard at first floor level. Communal terraces are proposed at the fourth floor of Blocks A and C; with private balconies to serve each apartment on all levels. The development will also include hard and soft landscaping as well as 20 number secure bicycle parking spaces to be accessed off Crosstick Alley; and bin store to serve the apartments; as well as all associated ancillary and site development works all at Liberty Market, 71 Meath Street, Dublin. The site is generally bound by Engine Alley to the north, by Crosstick Alley to the south, by two-storey dwellings along Catherine Street to the east, and by Meath Street to the west.

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 nature and scale of the proposed development, the site's city centre location, the proximity to a wide range of public transport options, the provisions of the Dublin City Council Development Plan 2022-2028, the Sustainable Urban Housing: Design Standards for New Apartments Guidelines for Planning Authorities, and the National Planning Framework, which seeks for compact development of brownfield sites, the pattern and character of development in the area and the design and scale of the proposed development and site's existing land uses, it is considered that, subject to compliance with the conditions set out below, the proposed development would constitute an acceptable residential density in this city centre location, would not seriously injure the residential or visual amenity of the area, would be acceptable in terms of urban design, height and quantum of

development and would not conflict with neighbouring land uses. 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 21st day of May 2022 and by further plans and particulars submitted to An Bord Pleanála on the 11th day of December 2023 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. The total number of residential units permitted is 14 number as per the plans and particulars submitted to the Board on the 11th day of December 2023.

Reason: In the interest of clarity.

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

Reason: In the interest of visual amenity.

4. Proposals for a naming and numbering scheme and associated signage shall be submitted to, and agreed in writing with, the planning authority prior to commencement of development. Thereafter, all signs, and unit numbers, shall be provided in accordance with the agreed scheme. The proposed name 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 of the development shall be erected until the developer has obtained the planning authority's written agreement to the proposed name.

Reason: In the interest of urban legibility and to ensure the use of locally appropriate placenames for new development.

5. Prior to commencement of development, the developer shall enter into water and wastewater connection agreement(s) with Uisce Éireann.

Reason: In the interest of public health.

6. 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.

7. No additional development shall take place above roof-parapet level, including lift motor enclosures, air-handling equipment, storage tanks, ducts or other external plant, telecommunication aerials, antennas or equipment, unless authorised by a further grant of planning permission.

Reason: To protect the visual amenities of the area.

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.

Reason: In the interests of visual and residential amenity.

9. No signage, advertising structures/advertisements, security shutters or other projecting elements, including flagpoles, shall be erected on the building or within the site unless authorised by a further grant of planning permission.

Reason: To protect the visual amenities of the area.

10. A plan containing details for the management of waste, in particular recyclable materials, within the development, including the provision of facilities for the storage, separation and collection of the waste and, in particular, recyclable materials 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: In the interest of residential amenity, and to ensure the provision of adequate waste storage.

11. 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 amenities of property in the vicinity.

12. The site development and construction works shall be carried out in such a manner so as to ensure that the adjoining streets are kept clear of debris, soil and other material and if the need arises for cleaning works to be carried out on the adjoining public roads, the said cleaning works shall be carried out at the developer's expense.

Reason: To ensure that the adjoining roadways are kept in a clean and safe conditions during construction works in the interest of orderly development.

13. The construction of the development shall be managed in accordance with a Construction and Environmental Management Plan, which shall be submitted to, and agreed in writing with the planning authority prior to commencement of development. This plan shall provide inter alia: details and location of proposed construction compounds, details of intended construction practice for the development, including noise management measures, details of arrangements for routes for construction traffic, parking during the construction phase, and off-site disposal of construction/demolition waste and/or by-products.

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

14. Prior to commencement of development, the developer shall prepare a Resource Waste Management Plan (RWMP) as set out in the Environmental Protection Agency's Best Practice Guidelines for the Preparation of Resource and Waste Management Plans for Construction and Demolition Projects (2021), including demonstration of proposals to adhere to best practice and protocols. The RWMP shall include specific proposals as to how the RWMP will be measured and monitored for effectiveness; these details shall be placed on file and retained as part of the public record. The RWMP shall be submitted to the planning authority for written agreement prior to commencement of development. All records (including for waste and all resources) pursuant to the agreed RWMP shall be made available for inspection at the site office at all

times.

Reason: In the interest of sustainable waste management.

- 15. (a) During the construction and demolition phases, the proposed development shall comply with British Standard 5228 'Noise Control on Construction and open sites Part 1. Code of practice for basic information and procedures for noise control.'
 - (b) Noise levels from the proposed development shall not be so loud, so continuous, so repeated, of such duration or pitch or occurring at such times as to give reasonable cause for annoyance to a person in any premises in the neighbourhood or to a person lawfully using any public place. In particular, the rated noise levels from the proposed development shall not constitute reasonable grounds for complaint as provided for in B.S. 4142. Method for rating industrial noise affecting mixed residential and industrial areas.

Reason: In order to ensure a satisfactory standard of development, in the interests of residential amenity.

- 16. 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 may 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; and
 - (b) employ a suitably-qualified archaeologist prior to the commencement of development. The archaeologist shall assess the site and monitor all site development works. The assessment shall address the following issues:

- (i) The nature and location of archaeological material on the site; and
- (ii) the impact of the proposed development on such archaeological material.

A report, containing the results of the assessment, shall be submitted to the planning authority and, arising from this assessment, the developer shall agree in writing with the planning authority details regarding any further archaeological requirements (including, if necessary, archaeological excavation) prior to commencement of construction works.

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 area and to secure the preservation (in-situ or by record) and protection of any archaeological remains that may exist within the site.

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 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 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 of the development.

18. The management and maintenance of the proposed development following its completion shall be the responsibility of a legally constituted management company. A management scheme providing adequate measures for the future

maintenance of public open spaces, roads and communal areas shall be submitted to, and agreed in writing with, the planning authority prior to commencement of development.

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

18. The developer shall pay to the planning authority a financial contribution in respect of public infrastructure and facilities, and in lieu of the public open space requirement, 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.

Joe Boland

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

Dated this / day of

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