



An
Bord
Pleanála

Board Order
ABP-313917-22

Planning and Development Acts 2000 to 2022

Planning Authority: Dublin City Council

Planning Register Reference Number: 3278/22

Appeal by Aldi Stores (Ireland) Limited care of O'Connor Whelan Planning Consultants of 222-224 Harold's Cross Road, Dublin against the decision made on the 1st day of June, 2022 by Dublin City Council to refuse a permission for the proposed development.

Proposed Development: The proposed development involves: (1) the demolition of the existing Aldi store (1,306 square metres gross); (2) construction of a two-storey commercial block fronting Saint Margaret's Road, incorporating a food store measuring 2,620 square metres gross (1,326 square metres net retail), with ancillary off-licence sales area at first-floor level over undercroft car parking, including an external service area; (3) associated signage consisting of four number internally illuminated fascia signs (four number of 4.8 square metres each, total area 19.2 square metres) and four number vinyl signs (four number of 1.8 square metres each, total area 7.2 square metres); (4) reconfiguration of the existing car parking to provide for a reduction of car parking spaces from 171 existing to 154 proposed; (5) 20 number cycle spaces; (6) revised southern vehicular access off Saint

Margaret's Road; (7) All landscape, boundary treatment and site development works. All on a 1.03-hectare site at the existing Aldi Store site, Saint Margaret's Road, Finglas, 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.

Reasons and Considerations

Having regard to the provisions of the Dublin City Development Plan 2022 – 2028, including Policy SMT22 - Key Sustainable Transport Projects and Appendix 5: Transport and Mobility: Technical Requirements, to the established use on the site comprising an existing food store, and to the scale of the development as proposed, it is considered that the proposed development, subject to compliance with the conditions set out below, would not seriously injure the amenities of the area or of property in the vicinity and would not, therefore, be contrary to 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 5th day of May, 2022, and by the further plans and particulars received by An Bord Pleanála on the 21st day of December, 2023 and on the 23rd day of February, 2024, 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. Parking for the development shall be provided in accordance with a detailed parking layout which shall be submitted to, and agreed in writing with, the planning authority prior to commencement of development.

The layout shall provide for:

- (a) A total of 132 car parking spaces within the site;
- (b) Of the 132 car parking spaces, a total of 30 Park and Ride spaces shall be provided as set out in Drawing Number PA 301 - Revision C submitted to An Bord Pleanála on the 23rd day of February, 2024;
- (c) Landscaping within the boundary of the parking area;
- (d) Lining or other method of demarcation of the individual spaces;

- (e) A plan for the monitoring and management of these spaces to ensure their use for public transport Park and Ride purposes once the Luas Green Line Finglas Extension along Saint Margaret's Road is complete and operational shall be submitted to, and agreed in writing with, the planning authority.

Reason: To ensure a satisfactory parking layout in the interests of pedestrian and traffic safety and of visual amenity.

3. Details of the materials, colours and textures of all the 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 interest of visual amenity.

4. Details of all external signage shall be agreed in writing with the planning authority prior to commencement of development.

Reason: In the interest of visual amenity.

5. A comprehensive boundary treatment and landscaping scheme shall be submitted to, and agreed in writing with, the planning authority, prior to commencement of development. This scheme shall include the following:-

- (a) details of all proposed hard surface finishes, including samples of proposed paving slabs/materials for footpaths, kerbing and road surfaces within the development;

- (b) proposed locations of trees and other landscape planting in the development, including details of proposed species and settings;
- (c) details of proposed street furniture, including bollards, lighting fixtures and seating; and
- (d) details of proposed boundary treatments at the perimeter of the site, including heights, materials and finishes of perimeter walls.

The boundary treatment and landscaping shall be carried out in accordance with the agreed scheme.

Reason: In the interests of visual and residential amenity.

- 6. 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.

- 7. 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.

8. The developer shall enter into water and/or wastewater connection agreements with Uisce Éireann prior to the commencement of development.

Reason: In the interest of public health.

9. Public lighting shall be provided in accordance with a scheme, details of which shall be submitted to, and agreed in writing with, the planning authority prior to commencement of development.

Reason: In the interests of amenity and public safety.

10. A plan containing details for the management of waste (and, in particular, recyclable materials) within the development, including the provision of facilities for the storage, separation and collection of the waste and 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: To provide for the appropriate management of waste and, in particular recyclable materials, in the interest of protecting the environment.

11. 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 traffic management measures, inclusive of HGV delivery routes, construction parking, and storage areas.

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

12. Construction and demolition waste shall be managed in accordance with a construction waste and demolition management plan, which shall be submitted to, and agreed in writing with, the planning authority prior to commencement of development. The plan shall include details of waste to be generated during site clearance and construction phases, and details of the methods and locations to be employed for the prevention, minimisation, recovery and disposal of this material in accordance with the provision of the Waste Management Plan for the Region in which the site is situated.

Reason: In the interest of sustainable waste management.

13. Site development and building works shall be carried out only between the hours of 0800 and 1900 from Mondays to Fridays inclusive, between 0800 and 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.

14. A minimum of 10% of all car parking spaces shall be provided with functioning electric vehicle (EV) charging stations/points and ducting shall be provided for all remaining car parking spaces to facilitate the installation of electric vehicle charging points/stations at a later date. Where proposals relating to the installation of EV ducting and charging stations/points have not been submitted with the application, in accordance with the above requirements, such proposals shall be submitted to, and agreed in writing with, the planning authority prior to commencement of development, and the agreed provisions shall be carried out and completed prior to the operational phase of the development.

Reason: In the interest of sustainable transport.

15. Prior to the opening of the development, a Mobility Management Strategy shall be submitted to, and agreed in writing with, the planning authority. This shall provide for incentives to encourage the use of public transport, cycling, walking and car-pooling by staff employed in the development and to reduce and regulate the extent of staff parking. The mobility strategy shall be prepared and implemented by the management company for all units within the retail centre. Details to be agreed with the planning authority shall include the provision of centralised facilities within the development for bicycle parking, shower and changing facilities associated with the policies set out in the strategy.

Reason: In the interest of encouraging the use of sustainable modes of transport.

16. 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.



Una Crosse

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

Dated this 9th **day of** April **2024.**