

Board Order ABP-313955-22

Planning and Development Acts 2000 to 2022

Planning Authority: Cavan County Council

Planning Register Reference Number: 21/601

Appeal by Jim Elliot care of David Mooney of 14 Old Farm Rd, Cloughjordan, County Tipperary against the decision made on the 3rd day of June, 2022 by Cavan County Council to grant subject to conditions a permission to Lisdaran Partnership care of Michael Fitzpatrick Architects of Main Street, Butlersbridge, County Cavan in accordance with plans and particulars lodged with the said Council.

Proposed Development: Erection of fully serviced three-storey Medical Centre, the extension of existing access road, associated parking, drop off areas, associated bicycle spaces, connection to public foul drainage system and watermain, landscaping and all ancillary site works, all at Lisdaran, Cavan Town, County Cavan as amended by the further public notice received by the planning authority on the 13th day of April, 2022.

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 provisions of the Cavan County Development Plan 2022-2028, the Public and Community zoning objective for the area as set out in the Plan and the pattern of development in the area, it is considered that, subject to compliance with conditions set out below, the proposed development would be acceptable in terms of pedestrian and traffic safety, would not constitute a flood risk, and would not seriously injure the residential or visual amenities of the area or the amenities of property in the vicinity or be prejudicial to public health. 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 submitted to the planning authority on the 13th day of April 2022, and plans and particulars submitted to An Bord Pleanála on the 25th day of July 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 (including samples) 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 interests of visual amenity.

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- 3. Prior to the commencement of development, the developer shall submit the following details for the written agreement of the planning authority:
 - (a) A comprehensive boundary treatment and landscaping scheme which shall include the following:
 details of proposed boundary treatments at the perimeter of the site, including heights, materials and finishes.
 - (b) Full details of boundary treatment, signage and lighting associated with the development.
 - (c) Details of hours of operation of the pharmacy and medical facility. **Reason:** In the interest of visual amenity.
- 4. The internal road network serving the proposed development, including turning bays, junctions, parking areas, footpaths and kerbs shall comply with the requirements of Cavan County Council and in all respects with the standards set out in the Design Manual for Urban Roads and Streets (DMURS).

Reason: In the interests of pedestrian and traffic safety.

5. Prior to the commencement of development, the developer shall forward detailed proposals for improvement works to the site entrance, site frontage and the L1513 for the written agreement of the planning authority. A Stage 3 Road Safety Audit of the development and its junction with the public road shall be submitted for the written agreement of the planning authority prior to the operation of the development.

Reason: In the interests of pedestrian and traffic safety.

 Prior to the commencement of development, the developer shall submit full details of retaining walls within the development for the written agreement of the planning authority.

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

7. 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 car 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 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.

8. 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 agreed in writing with the planning authority.

Reason: To protect the residential amenities of property in the vicinity and the visual amenities of the area.

9. Mitigation and monitoring measures outlined in the plans and particulars, including the Natura Impact Statement and Outline Construction Management Plan submitted with this application shall be carried out in full, except where otherwise required by conditions attached to this permission.

Reason: In the interest of protecting the environment and in the interest of public health.

10. Drainage arrangements, including the attenuation and disposal of surface water from the site, shall be in accordance with the detailed requirements of the planning authority.

Reason: In the interests of public health.

11. Prior to commencement of development, the applicant shall enter into water and wastewater connection agreements with Uisce Éireann.

Reason: In the interest of public health.

12. Public lighting shall be provided in accordance with a scheme, which shall include lighting along pedestrian routes through open spaces details of which shall be submitted to, and agreed in writing with, the planning authority prior to commencement of development/installation of lighting.

Reason: In the interests of amenity and public safety.

- 13. 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.

14. Prior to the commencement of development, the developer or any agent acting on its behalf, shall prepare a Resource Waste Management Plan (RWMP) as set out in the EPA'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 the file and retained as part of the public record. The RWMP must be submitted to the planning authority for written agreement prior to the 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. The construction of 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. The plan shall provide a demolition management plan, together with details of intended construction practice for the development, including a detailed traffic management plan, and noise management measures.

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

16. 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 interest of visual amenity.

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17. Site development and building works shall be carried out only between the hours of 0700 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 amenities of property in the vicinity.

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.

Patricia Calleary

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

Dated this 12 day of Jestent 2023.