

## Board Order ABP-314605-22

Planning and Development Acts 2000 to 2022

**Planning Authority: Fingal County Council** 

Planning Register Reference Number: F22A/0324

**Appeal** by Sarah and Conor Gallagher care of Hughes Planning and Development Consultants of 85 Merrion Square, Dublin against the decision made on the 16<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2022 by Fingal County Council to refuse permission for the proposed development.

**Proposed Development:** Demolition of the existing single-storey garage and the construction of a new two-storey dwelling, new driveway entrance and piers, connection to existing services, and all associated site works necessary to facilitate the development at 21 Asgard Park, Howth, County 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 RS zoning of the site which seeks to provide for residential development while protecting and enhancing residential amenities, the provisions of the Fingal County Development Plan 2023-2029 which seek to support infill development and the pattern of 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 amenities of property in the vicinity and would be acceptable in terms of traffic and pedestrian safety and visual amenity. The proposed development would, therefore, be in accordance with the proper planning and sustainable development of the area.

Having regard to the nature and scale of the proposed development, comprising the construction of one dwelling within an existing built-up area served by public services, there is no real likelihood of significant effects on the environment arising from the proposed development. The need for an Environmental Impact Assessment can, therefore, be excluded at preliminary examination and a screening determination is not required.

Having regard to the nature, scale and location of the proposed development which comprises the development of a dwelling within a built-up area served by public services and the distance to the nearest European site, it is concluded that no Appropriate Assessment issues arise as the proposed development would not be likely to have a significant effect individually or in combination with other plans or projects on a European site.

## **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 An Bord Pleanála on the 12<sup>th</sup> day of September 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.

The developer shall enter into water and wastewater connection agreements
with Uisce Éireann, prior to commencement of development and shall comply
with the requirements of Uisce Éireann in respect of separation distances to
foul sewer infrastructure.

Reason: In the interests of clarity and public health.

Details of the materials, colours and textures of all the external finishes to the
proposed development and boundaries 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.

 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 and surface water management.

5. The developer shall comply with the transportation requirements of the planning authority.

Reason: In the interest of road safety and orderly development.

6. The site shall be landscaped in accordance with a detailed scheme of landscaping, which shall be submitted to and agreed in writing with the planning authority prior to commencement of development. The scheme shall include provisions for hard and soft landscaping within the site, boundary treatments and includes measures for the protection of trees within and adjoining the site.

Reason: In order to ensure the satisfactory completion of the development.

7. All service cables associated with the proposed development (such as electrical, telecommunications and communal television) shall be located underground. The cables shall avoid roots of trees and hedgerows to be retained in the site. Ducting shall be provided by the developer to facilitate the provision of broadband infrastructure within the proposed development.

Reason: In the interest of orderly development.

8. A plan containing details for the management of waste 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:** To provide for the appropriate management of waste and, in particular recyclable materials, in the interest of protecting the environment.

9. 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.

- 10. The construction of the development shall be managed in accordance with a Construction and Traffic 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:
  - (a) Location of the site and materials compounds including areas identified for the storage of construction refuse; areas for construction site offices and staff facilities; site security fencing and hoardings; and car parking facilities for site workers during the course of construction;
  - (b) The timing and routing of construction traffic to and from the construction site and associated directional signage, to include proposals to facilitate the delivery of abnormal loads to the site; measures to obviate queuing of construction traffic on the adjoining road network; and measures to prevent the spillage or deposit of clay, rubble or other debris on the public road network;
  - (c) Details of the implementation of appropriate mitigation measures for noise, dust and vibration, and monitoring of such levels;
  - (d) Means to ensure that surface water run-off is controlled such that no silt or other pollutants enter local surface water sewers or drains. The measures detailed in the construction management plan shall have regard to

guidance on the protection of fisheries during construction works prepared by Inland Fisheries Ireland.

A record of daily checks that the works are being undertaken in accordance with the Construction Management Plan shall be kept for inspection by the planning authority.

**Reason:** In the interest of amenities, public health and safety.

11. 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.

12. 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.

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

Dated this I day of March 2024