

Board Order ABP-315012-22

Planning and Development Acts 2000 to 2022

Planning Authority: Dublin City Council

Planning Register Reference Number: TIL019-22

Appeal by Michael and Helen Reidy of 14 Seafield Grove, Clontarf, Dublin against the decision made on the 20th day of October, 2022 by Dublin City Council Council to grant subject to conditions a licence to Emerald Tower Limited care of Entrust Limited of Unit 1D, Deerpark Business Centre, Oranmore, County Galway.

Licence Application: Section 254 licence for two telecommunications cabinets and one associated 18-metre pole at Seafield Grove/St. Gabriel's Road, Greenlanes, Clontarf, Dublin.

Decision

In exercise of the powers conferred on it under section 254 of the Planning and Development Act, 2000, as amended, An Bord Pleanála, directs the planning authority to GRANT a licence, 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 section 254 of the Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended, to national, regional and local policy objectives, as represented in the Dublin City Development Plan 2022-2028, to support the development of a sustainable telecommunications network throughout the city, to the Telecommunications Antennae and Support Structures – Guidelines for Planning Authorities published by the Department of the Environment and Local Government in July 1996, as updated by circular letter PL 07/12, and to the nature and scale of the proposed development, it is considered that, subject to compliance with the conditions set out below, the proposed development, including two number 300-millimetre dishes attached to the side of the pole, would not seriously injure the residential or visual amenities of the area or of property in the vicinity, would be acceptable in terms of traffic and pedestrian safety, and would, therefore, be in accordance with the proper planning and sustainable development of the area.

The Board considered that the proposed development is a project for the purposes of the Environmental Impact Assessment Directive. However, the Board concluded that the proposed development does not fall within a class of development set out in Part 1 or Part 2 of Schedule 5 to the Planning and Development Regulations 2001, as amended, and, therefore, no preliminary examination, screening for environmental impact assessment, or environmental impact assessment is required.

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Conditions

The proposed development shall be carried out and completed in accordance with the plans and particulars lodged with the application, 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 proposed development shall be carried out and completed in accordance with the agreed particulars.

Reason: In the interest of clarity.

- (a) This permission shall apply for a period of five years from the date of this order. The telecommunications structure and related ancillary structures shall then be removed unless, prior to the end of the period, permission shall have been granted for their retention for a further period.
 - (b) The site shall be reinstated on removal of the telecommunications structure and ancillary structures. Details relating to the removal and reinstatement shall be submitted to, and agreed in writing with, the planning authority at least one month before the date of expiry of this permission.

Reason: To enable the impact of the development to be re-assessed, having regard to changes in technology and design during the specified period.

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3. Notwithstanding the provisions of the Planning and Development Regulations 2001, as amended, and any statutory provision amending or replacing them, the telecommunication structures shall not be altered and no additional apparatus shall be attached, without a prior grant of permission.

Reason: To clarify the nature and extent of the permitted development to which this permission relates and to facilitate a full assessment of any future alterations.

 The proposed cabinets and pole shall be maintained regularly and shall be kept graffiti free.

Reason: In the interest of the visual amenity of the area.

5. The cabinets shall have an anti-climb device fitted and pitched metal capping to the top surface of the cabinet to prevent sitting or standing on the cabinet.

Reason: In the interest of protecting residential amenity.

Martina Hennessy

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

Dated this & day of Paraulack 2023.