

Board Order ABP-315388-22

Planning and Development Acts 2000 to 2022

Planning Authority: Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County Council

Planning Register Reference Number: D22A/0508

Appeal by Thomas and Helen Greene care of S J Carroll and Company Architects of Glencullen, Kilternan, County Dublin, and by Others, against the decision made on the 24th day of November, 2022 by Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County Council to grant subject to conditions a permission to Tiejun Hui care of CDP Architecture of 4 The Mall, Main Street, Lucan, County Dublin in accordance with plans and particulars lodged with the said Council.

Proposed Development: Demolition of an existing shed, recreation building, the construction of four number two-storey, four-bedroom dwellings to the rear of existing house, all with existing vehicular and pedestrian access from Leopardstown road, boundary treatment, front and rear gardens, bin storage, landscaping and all associated site works at Chadsley House, Leopardstown Road, Foxrock, 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 Objective A zoning of the site and policies and objectives as set out in the 2023-2028 Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County Development Plan, it is considered that the development would not detract significantly from the amenities of the area and is generally consistent with the provisions of the current Development Plan and is therefore considered to be in accordance with the proper planning and sustainable development of the area, subject to the conditions set out below.

In deciding not to accept the Inspector's recommendation to refuse permission, the Board decided:

- 1. With regard to overlooking and loss of privacy that distances in excess of 22 metres are maintained between the proposed windows at first floor level and the rear elevations of Chadsley House. A separation distance of between the rear of numbers 31 and 34 Foxrock Manor and the rear elevation of houses numbers two and three does not meet these requirements however, these are not directly opposed elevations and a sufficient distance is proposed of a minimum of 12.5 meters.
- That the insertion of an additional condition was sufficient to address concerns in relation to exterior finishes and that the roof design as currently proposed is acceptable on this infill site.

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 information plans and particulars submitted to the planning authority on the 28th day of October 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.

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

Reason: In the interest of urban legibility and to ensure the use of locally appropriate place names for new residential areas.

 Each proposed house shall be used as a single dwelling unit only and shall not be sub-divided in any manner or used as two or more separate habitable units.

Reason: To prevent unauthorised development.

4. 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.

5. Any changes to parking and hardstanding areas shall be constructed in accordance with the recommendations of the Greater Dublin Strategic Drainage Study for sustainable urban drainage systems (SuDS) i.e. permeable surfacing, as indicated in the application. Appropriate measures shall be included to prevent runoff from driveways entering onto the public realm as required. Where unbound material is proposed for driveway, parking or hardstanding areas, it shall be contained in such a way to ensure that it does not transfer on to the public road or footpath on road safety grounds.

Reason: In the interest of public health.

6. Prior to commencement of the proposed development noise, vibration and dust monitoring stations shall be installed and maintained to provide continuous monitoring to measure and record the impact of site activities on local receptors. Noise monitoring to demonstrate compliance with the recommendations contained in BS 5228 shall be installed, monitored and reported on at weekly intervals by a suitable qualified specialist company for the duration of the contract. All monitoring data to be compiled into a weekly technical monitoring report which shall identify remedial measures where levels exceed relevant limit values. Copies of the monitoring shall be made available to the Environmental Health Service's Air & Noise Unit upon request.

Reason: In the interest of public health.

- 7. The construction of the development shall be managed in accordance with a final project 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 details of the construction practice for the development, including:
 - (a) location of the site and materials compound(s), including areas identified for the storage of construction refuse;
 - (b) location and details of areas for construction site offices, staff facilities, site security fencing and hoardings;
 - (c) details of on-site car parking facilities for site workers during the course of construction;
 - (d) details of 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;

- (e) measures to obviate queuing of construction traffic on the adjoining road network:
- (f) details of construction phase mobility strategy, incorporating on-site mobility provisions;
- (g) measures to prevent the spillage or deposit of clay, rubble or other debris on the public road network;
- (h) alternative arrangements to be put in place for pedestrians, cyclists and vehicles in the case of the closure of any public road or footpath during the course of site development works;
- (i) details of appropriate measures to mitigate vibration from construction activity in accordance with BS6472: 1992 Guide to Evaluation of Human Exposure to Vibration in Buildings (1Hz to 80Hz) and BS7385: Part 2 1990: Evaluation and Measurement for Vibration in Buildings - Guide to Damage Levels from Ground-Borne Vibration, and for the monitoring of such levels;
- (j) details of appropriate mitigation measures for noise and dust, and monitoring of such levels;
- (k) containment of all construction-related fuel and oil within specially constructed bunds to ensure that fuel spillages are fully contained. Such bunds shall be roofed to exclude rainwater;
- off-site disposal of construction/demolition waste and details of how it is proposed to manage excavated soil;
- (m) means to ensure that surface water run-off is controlled such that no silt or other pollutants enter local surface water sewers or watercourses;

- (n) a record of daily checks that the works are being undertaken in accordance with the final project Construction and Environmental Management Plan shall be kept for inspection by the planning authority; and
- (o) invasive species management plan.

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

8. The construction of the proposed 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 all intended construction practice for the proposed development, including hours of working, noise management measures and off-site disposal of construction/demolition waste.

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

9. Prior to commencement of development, the developer 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 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.

10. Site development and building works shall be carried out only between the hours of 0800 to 1900 hours on Mondays to Fridays and 0900 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.

11. 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, and for the ongoing operation of these facilities for each dwelling shall be submitted to, and agreed in writing with, the planning authority not later than six months from the date of commencement of the 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 refuse storage.

12. All necessary measures shall be taken by the developer to avoid conflict between construction traffic/activities and traffic/road users, particularly pedestrians and cyclists, on the public road/footpath, during construction works.

Reason: In the interest of public safety, visual and residential amenity.

13. The developer shall prevent any mud, dirt, debris or building material being carried onto or placed on the public road or adjoining properties as a result of the site construction works and repair any damage to the public road arising from carrying out the works.

Reason: In the interest of public safety, visual and residential amenity.

14. All works to the Protected Structure be overseen and supervised by a conservation accredited architect to ensure all works and replacement materials comply with best conservation practice. The name of professional appointed should be submitted to the planning authority prior to commencement of works.

Reason: In the interest of protecting built heritage.

15. 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.

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

Reason: In the interest of public health.

17. (a) An accurate tree survey of the site, which shall be carried out by an arborist or landscape architect, shall be submitted to the planning authority prior to commencement of development. The survey shall

show the location of each tree on the site, together with the species, height, girth, crown spread and condition of each tree, distinguishing between those which it is proposed to be felled and those which it is proposed to be retained.

- (b) Measures for the protection of those trees which it is proposed to be retained shall be submitted to, and agreed in writing with, the planning authority before any trees are felled.
- (c) The arborist shall carry out a post construction tree survey and assessment on the condition of the retained trees. A completion certificate is to be signed off by the arborist when all permitted development works are completed and in line with the recommendations of the tree report. The certificate shall be submitted to the planning authority Parks and Landscape Services for written agreement upon completion of the works, to ensure and give practical effect to the retention, protection and sustainability of trees during and after construction of the proposed development.

Reason: To facilitate the identification and subsequent protection of trees to be retained on the site, in the interest of visual amenity.

18. The permitted development shall be landscaped, and boundary treatments provided in accordance with the detailed comprehensive scheme of landscaping and boundary treatments, details of which shall be submitted to, and agreed in writing with, the planning authority prior to commencement of development. All planting shall be adequately protected from damage until established. Any plants which die, are removed or become seriously damaged or diseased, within a period of five years from the completion of the development, shall be replaced

within the next planting season with others of similar size and species, unless otherwise agreed in writing with the planning authority.

Reason: In the interest of residential and visual amenity.

19. 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.

20. Prior to commencement of development, the developer or other person with an interest in the land to which the application relates shall enter into an agreement in writing with the planning authority in relation to the provision of housing in accordance with the requirements of Section 94(4) and section 96(2) and (3) (Part V) of the Planning and Development Act, 2000 (as amended), unless an exemption certificate shall have been applied for and been granted under Section 97 of the Act, as amended. Where such an agreement is not reached within eight weeks from the date of this order, the matter in dispute (other than a matter to which section 96(7) applies) may be referred by the planning authority or any other prospective party to the agreement to An Bord Pleanála for determination.

Reason: To comply with the requirements of Part V of the Planning and Development Act, 2000 (as amended), and of the housing strategy in the development plan of the area.

21. 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.

22. 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, 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

23. The developer shall pay to the planning authority a financial contribution in respect of the extension of Luas Line B from the Sandyford Depot to Cherrywood, namely Luas Line B1 in accordance with the terms of the Supplementary Development Contribution Scheme made by the planning authority under section 49 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 Supplementary Development Contribution Scheme made under section 49 of the Act be applied to the permission.



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

Dated this 12 day of February 2024