

Board Order ABP-316166-23

Planning and Development Acts 2000 to 2022

Planning Authority: Meath County Council

Planning Register Reference Number: 22/745

Appeal by Catherine and Richard Crowley care of P. Herr and Associates of Floor 3, Block 4, Quayside Business Park, Dundalk, County Louth against the decision made on the 6th day of March, 2023 by Meath County Council to refuse permission for the proposed development.

Proposed Development: Construction of a two-storey dwellinghouse in the rear garden of an existing dwellinghouse, a new vehicular entrance from the Wellesley Manor housing estate and associated site development works at 'Ballyvannon', Eastham Road, Bettystown, County Meath, as revised by the further public notices received by the planning authority on the 17th day of January, 2023 and the 8th day of February, 2023.

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 Meath County Development Plan 2021-2027, including Objective A1 to protect and enhance the amenity and character of existing residential communities, development management standards including infill and backland sites in urban areas, the pattern of development in the area, the infill nature of the application site, and the nature and scale of the proposed development, it is considered that, subject to compliance with the conditions set out below, the proposed development would not seriously injure the visual or residential amenities of the area, would not be prejudicial to public health and would not result in a traffic hazard. 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 received on the 17th day of January, 2023, 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. The site entrance, access driveway and roadside boundary treatment serving the proposed development shall comply with the detailed requirements of the planning authority for such works. Proposals in this regard shall be submitted to, and agreed in writing with, the planning authority prior to commencement of development.

Reason: In the interest of amenity and of traffic and pedestrian safety.

 The existing and proposed rear gardens shall be bounded by block walls, 1.8 metres in height, capped and rendered, on both sides, unless otherwise agreed in writing with the planning authority.

Reason: In the interest of residential and visual amenity.

 All public service cables for the development, including electrical and telecommunications cables, shall be located underground throughout the site.

Reason: In the interest of visual amenity.

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

Reason: In the interest of public health.

 Water supply and drainage arrangements, including the disposal of surface water which shall also provide for appropriate Sustainable Urban Drainage Systems (SuDS), shall comply with the requirements of the planning authority for such works. **Reason:** To ensure adequate servicing of the development, and to prevent pollution.

7. Site development and building works shall be carried out only between the hours of 0700 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.

8. Prior to 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.

9. 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.

Eamonn James Kelly

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

Dated this 1st day of August, 2023