

Board Order ABP-316207-23

Planning and Development Acts 2000 to 2022

Planning Authority: Dublin City Council

Planning Register Reference Number: 4821/22

Appeal by Residents of Jamestown Road and Jamestown Square care of Marston Planning Consultancy of 23 Grange Park, Foxrock, Dublin against the decision made on the 9th day of March, 2023 by Dublin City Council to grant subject to conditions a permission to Alone care of CJ Falconer and Associates of St. Patrick's House, Newtown, Waterford in accordance with plans and particulars lodged with the said Council.

Proposed Development: Demolition of two number two-storey apartment buildings. Construction of two number apartment buildings comprising of one number three-storey block and one number four-storey block containing 43 number one-bedroom apartments with private balconies (total 2,325 square metres) accessed off covered external walkways together with community facilities, including community centre on ground floor of proposed Block A (105 square metres), landscaped courtyard, mobility storage area (18.65 square metres), refuse store (28 square metres) together with all associated site works, including six number carparking spaces plus 44 number bicycle spaces and ESB substation. The site works to include upgrade of open space amenity area for completed phase 1 of overall development, all at Jamestown Court, on lands bounded by Jamestown Road, accessed off Jamestown Road, Inchicore, 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 residential zoning objective, as set out in the Dublin City Development Plan 2022-2028, national and local policy objectives, which support the redevelopment of brownfield/infill sites, the consideration by the planning authority of the need for demolition, the site's proximity to public transport, the design, layout and scale of the proposed development, and the existing pattern of development in the vicinity, it is considered that, subject to compliance with the conditions set out below, the proposed development would appropriately intensify residential use on this suitably located infill site, would not detrimentally impact on the built heritage or visual amenity of the area, would be acceptable in terms of design, height, layout and scale of development, would provide a suitable level of accommodation and amenity for future occupants, would not seriously injure the residential amenities of adjacent residents, would be acceptable in terms of traffic safety/parking provision and would comply with the provisions of the Dublin City Development Plan 2022-2028, the Sustainable Urban Housing: Design Standards for New Apartments -Guidelines for Planning Authorities (2022) and the Sustainable Residential Development and Compact Settlements Guidelines for Planning Authorities (2024). The proposed development would, therefore, be in accordance with the proper planning and sustainable development of the area.

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Conditions

1. The proposed 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 the planning authority on the 10th day of February, 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 proposed development shall be carried out and completed in accordance with the agreed particulars.

Reason: In the interest of clarity.

2. The total number of residential units permitted in this development is 40 number units.

Reason: In the interest of clarity.

 Details 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 interest of visual amenity.

4. The site shall be landscaped in accordance with a comprehensive scheme of landscaping, 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.

5. Proposals for an apartment naming/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 apartment numbers, shall be provided in accordance with the agreed scheme. 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.

6. A minimum of 10% of all car parking spaces shall be provided with functioning electric-vehicle charging stations/points, and ducting shall be provided for all remaining car parking spaces, facilitating the installation of electric-vehicle charging points or stations at a later date. Where proposals relating to the installation of electric-vehicle ducting and charging stations or points has not been submitted with the planning application, in accordance with the above noted requirements, such proposals shall be submitted to, and agreed in writing with, the planning authority prior to the occupation of the development. The car parking spaces for sole use of the car-sharing club shall also be provided with functioning electric-vehicle charging stations or points.

Reason: To provide for and/or future proof the development such as would facilitate the use of electric vehicles.

7. One car parking space shall be allocated to car share use.

Reason: In order to ensure a satisfactory standard of development.

8. Prior to the occupation of the development, a finalised Mobility Management Plan shall be submitted to, and agreed in writing with, the planning authority. This plan shall include modal shift targets and shall provide for incentives to encourage the use of public transport, cycling, walking and carpooling by residents of the development and to reduce and regulate the extent of parking. The mobility strategy shall be prepared and implemented by the management company for all units within the development.

Reason: In the interest of encouraging the use of sustainable modes of transport.

- 9. 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 and residential amenity.
- 10. 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.
 Reason: To protect the visual amenities of the area.
- 11. 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 operations (including hydrological and geotechnical investigations) relating to the proposed development, and
 - (b) employ a suitably qualified archaeologist prior to 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.

12. Water supply and 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.

13. Prior to commencement of development, the developer shall enter into a water and wastewater connection agreement with Uisce Éireann.

Reason: In the interest of public health.

14. Site development works and construction works shall be carried out in such a manner as to ensure that the adjoining street(s) are kept clear of debris, soil and other material and, if the need arises for cleaning works to be carried out on the adjoining public roads, the said cleaning works shall be carried out at the developer's expense.

Reason: To ensure that the adjoining roadways are kept in a clean and safe condition.

15. 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.

16. 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 intended construction practice for the proposed development, including noise management measures and off-site disposal of construction/demolition waste.

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

- 17. (a) A plan containing details for the management of waste (and, in particular, recyclable materials) 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 apartment unit 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.
 - (b) This plan shall provide for screened communal bin stores, the locations and designs of which shall be included in the details to be submitted to the planning authority.

Reason: In the interest of residential amenity, and to ensure the provision of adequate refuse storage.

18. 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 or public holidays. Deviation from these times shall 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.

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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 PLE

applied to the permission.

Joe Boland

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

Dated this 25th day of January