

Board Order ABP-317374-23

Planning and Development Acts 2000 to 2022

Planning Authority: Meath County Council

Planning Register Reference Number: 221558

Appeal by DM Leavy of Proudstown Road, Navan, County Meath against the decision made on the 22nd day of May, 2023 by Meath County Council to grant, subject to conditions, permission to Glenveagh Homes Limited care of Declan Brassil and Company Limited of Lincoln House, Phoenix Street, Smithfield, Dublin in accordance with plans and particulars lodged with the said Council:

Proposed Development: Amendments to the south eastern portion (0.71 hectares) of a residential development permitted under Meath County Council planning register reference number NA181326. The proposed development seeks to replace a permitted four-storey apartment block containing 40 number units (consisting of 17 number one-bed units, 20 number two-bed units and three number three-bed units) with 29 number dwellings. The proposed dwellings consist of 14 number two-storey houses (11 number three-bed units and three number two-bed units), a three-storey triplex block of three number one-bed apartments and 12 number one-bed maisonette units in three number two-storey blocks. The proposed development includes ancillary car parking, open space provision, landscaping, public lighting and pedestrian connections together with internal access roads, footpaths and site

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services that integrate with the permitted Phase 1 development (known as Cluain Adain) under Meath County Council planning register reference number NA151046 to the west, and all associated and ancillary site and development works, all on lands to the north of the Clonmagaddan Road, Clonmagaddan, Navan, County Meath. The proposed development was revised by further public notices received by the planning authority on the 26th day of April 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 sites' zoning objectives, the provisions of the Meath County Development Plan 2021-2027, to the sites location within an existing urban area, and to the existing 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 residential or visual amenities of the area or of property in the vicinity, would be consistent with national and local planning policy and would be acceptable in terms of design, scale, height, quantum of development, and in terms of pedestrian and traffic safety. The proposed development would, therefore, be in accordance with the proper planning and sustainable development of the area.

Conditions

1. The development shall be carried out and completed in accordance with the plans and particulars lodged with the application, as revised by the further plans and particulars received by the planning authority on the 14th day of April 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 following shall be submitted to, and agreed in writing with, the planning authority prior to commencement of development:
 - (a) details of the materials, colours and textures of all the external finishes to the proposed residential units; and
 - (b) details of the balconies which shall include appropriate design/materials to balcony surrounds to provide privacy/screening for residents.

Reason: In the interest of visual amenity and to ensure an appropriate high standard of development.

 The landscaping scheme shown on drawing number P-008, as submitted by the applicant with further information on the 14th day of April 2023, shall be carried out within the first planting season following substantial completion of external construction works. 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 or until the development is taken in charge by the local authority, whichever is the sooner, 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.

4. Proposals for an estate/street name, house/apartment 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/apartment numbers, shall be provided in accordance with the agreed scheme. The proposed name(s) 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.

5. Public lighting shall be provided in accordance with a scheme which shall be submitted to and agreed in writing with the planning authority prior to the commencement of development. The scheme shall include lighting along pedestrian routes through open spaces. Such lighting shall be provided prior to the making available for occupation of any residential unit. Reason: In the interest of amenity and public safety.

6. 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. Details of the ducting shall be submitted to, and agreed in writing with, the planning authority prior to the commencement of development.

Reason: In the interest of visual and residential amenity.

- (a) Drainage arrangements including the attenuation and disposal of surface water, shall comply with the requirements of the planning authority for such works and services.
 - (b) Prior to the commencement of development, the developer shall submit to the planning authority, for written agreement, a Stage 2 Detailed Design Stage Storm Water Audit.
 - (c) Upon completion of the development a Stage 3 Completion
 Stormwater Audit to demonstrate Sustainable Urban Drainage
 System measures have been installed and are working as
 designed, and that there has been no misconnections or damage
 to storm water drainage infrastructure during construction, shall be
 submitted to the planning authority for written agreement.

Reason: In the interest of public health and surface water management.

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

Reason: In the interest of public health.

9. The internal road network serving the proposed development including turning bays, junctions, parking areas, footpaths and kerbs shall comply with the detailed construction standards of the planning authority for such works and design standards outlined in Design Manual for Urban Roads and Streets (DMURS).

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

10. Site development and building works shall be carried out between the hours of 0800 to 1900 Mondays to Fridays inclusive, between 0900 to 1400 on Saturdays and not at all on Sundays and public holidays. Deviation from these times shall only be allowed in exceptional circumstances where prior written agreement has been received from the planning authority.

Reason: To safeguard the amenity of property in the vicinity.

11. 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 Environmental Protection Agency'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 proper planning and sustainable development.

- 12. (a) Each maisonette unit (ground or first floor) shall be provided with an individual cycle and bin store facility to the rear of the building. In this regard the design indicated on drawing number P-054 (proposed bike and bin store for first floor maisonettes) received by the planning authority on 14th day of April 2023 shall be revised to provide an enlarged structure of permanent construction featuring separate facilities that can be accessed independently of each other.
 - (b) The cycle store structure to the side/east of the triplex building shall be enlarged to provide a separate cycle store/facility for each triplex unit that can each be accessed independently of each other.
 - (c) Two cycle parking spaces per unit shall be provided
 - (d) Satisfactory security measures for each store shall be provided.

Prior to commencement of development, the developer shall submit to, and agree in writing with, with the planning authority revised details in this regard.

Reason: In the interest of sustainable transport.

13. (a) Prior to commencement of development, the developer shall delineate on a map those areas that are to be taken in charge for the written agreement of the planning authority.

- (b) All areas not intended to be taken in charge by the planning authority, shall be maintained by a legally constituted management company.
- (c) Details of the legally constituted management company contract, and drawings/particulars describing the parts of the development for which the legally constituted management company would have responsibility, shall be submitted to, and agreed in writing with, the planning authority before any of the proposed units are made available for occupation. The management scheme shall provide adequate measures for the future maintenance of communal areas.

Reason: To provide for the satisfactory future maintenance of this development in the interest of residential amenity.

- 14. (a) Prior to the commencement of the development as permitted, the developer or any person with an interest in the land shall enter into an agreement with the planning authority (such agreement must specify the number and location of each house or duplex unit), pursuant to Section 47 of the Planning and Development Act 2000, that restricts all residential units permitted, to first occupation by individual purchasers i.e. those not being a corporate entity, and/or by those eligible for the occupation of social and/or affordable housing, including cost rental housing.
 - (b) An agreement pursuant to Section 47 shall be applicable for the period of duration of the planning permission, except where after not less than two years from the date of completion of each specified housing unit, it is demonstrated to the satisfaction of the planning authority that it has not been possible to transact each of the residential units for use by individual purchasers and/or to those eligible for the occupation of social and/or affordable housing, including cost rental housing.

(c) The determination of the planning authority as required in (b) shall be subject to receipt by the planning and housing authority of satisfactory documentary evidence from the applicant or any person with an interest in the land regarding the sales and marketing of the specified housing units, in which case the planning authority shall confirm in writing to the applicant or any person with an interest in the land that the Section 47 agreement has been terminated and that the requirement of this planning condition has been discharged in respect of each specified housing unit.

Reason: To restrict new housing development to use by persons of a particular class or description in order to ensure an adequate choice and supply of housing, including affordable housing, in the common good.

15. Prior to commencement of development, the applicant 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.

16. 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 and maintenance until taken in charge by the local authority of roads, footpaths, watermains, drains, public 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 or maintenance 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 and maintenance of the development until taken in charge.

17. 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.

Stewart Logan

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

Dated this 6th day of August 2024.