

Board Order ABP-319319-24

Planning and Development Acts 2000 to 2022

Planning Authority: Louth County Council

Planning Register Reference Number: 241

APPEAL by Oliver and Fiona Kelly of 293 Rathmullan Park, Drogheda, County Louth against the decision made on the 22nd day of February, 2024 by Louth County Council to refuse permission for the proposed development.

Proposed Development: Retention permission for off street parking to the front of house, provision of a tarmac surface, removal of the front boundary wall and pedestrian gate along with ancillary development works at 293 Rathmullan Park, Drogheda, County Louth.

Decision

REFUSE permission for the above proposed development in accordance with the reasons and considerations set out below.

Reasons and Considerations

Having regard to the relevant provisions of the Louth County Development Plan 2021-2027, as varied, it is considered that the retention of the entrance and parking area to the front of the dwelling would represent substandard development and would endanger public safety by way of a hazard to pedestrians and road users. The development proposed for retention would also result in the permanent loss of on street parking. The removal of the front boundary wall and provision of hard standing over the entirety of the front garden would seriously injure the visual amenities and character of this residential area and, if granted for retention, would set an unacceptable precedent for similar development. The development proposed for retention would, therefore, be contrary to the proper planning and sustainable development of the area.

Mick Long

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

Dated this 29th day of Legust

2024