

## Board Order ABP-319456-24

Planning and Development Acts 2000 to 2022

Planning Authority: Dublin City Council

Planning Register Reference Number: 3044/24

**Appeal** by Grangelough Limited care of Hughes Planning and Development Consultants of 85 Merrion Square, Dublin against the decision made on the 7<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2024 by Dublin City Council to refuse permission for the proposed development.

Proposed Development: (i) Demolition of existing single storage shed; (ii) construction of three storey mews apartment building comprising two number apartments. Unit 1 is a one-bed unit located at ground floor with living/kitchen/dining room, bathroom and storage. Unit 2 is a two-bed unit located across first and second floor levels with living/kitchen/dining room, bathroom and storage. Access to the development will be provided from the existing Mews Lane via Rathdown Road and Grangegorman Road Upper; (iii) provision of private outdoor amenity space in the form of a ground floor terrace to serve unit 1 and two number balconies at first and second floors to serve unit 2 and (iv) drainage, landscaping and all associated ancillary works necessary to facilitate the development, all to the rear of number 258 North Circular Road, Dublin (a Protected Structure RPS Number 1705).



## 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 Dublin City Development Plan 2022-2028 including the Z2 zoning objective and to the standards for urban consolidation and the development of infill and mews development, to the nature and scale of the proposed development, the omission of car parking spaces, an agreed alternate domestic bin pick up location, and to the 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 character of the area or the amenities of property in the vicinity, would not adversely impact on the character of the protected structure and would be acceptable in terms of traffic safety and convenience. 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, 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 requirements of the planning authority's Conservation Section shall be fully complied with in the proposed development:
  - (a) the applicant shall submit the following architectural conservation details/revisions for the written approval of the planning authority prior to the commencement of development:
    - finishes to the elevations of the proposed structure are to be submitted for agreement in advance of construction commencing including the colour of the proposed render and brick,
    - (ii) 1:20 drawing of the screen/gate to the screened entrance to the laneway, clarifying its finishes,
    - (iii) revised drawings omitting the projection of the proposed structure over the boundary walls are to be submitted. The development should be fully contained within the boundary walls and not projecting over them, and
    - (iv) revised 1:20 details of the interface between the proposed structure and the surviving historic boundary wall are to be provided.
  - (b) A conservation expert with proven and appropriate expertise shall be employed to design, manage, monitor and implement the works and to ensure adequate protection of the retained and historic fabric during the works. In this regard, all permitted works shall be designed to cause minimum interference to the retained fabric and the curtilage of the Protected Structure.

- (c) The proposed development shall be carried out in accordance with the following:
  - (i) All works to the structure shall be carried out in accordance with best conservation practice and the Architectural Heritage Protection Guidelines for Planning Authorities (2011) and Advice Series issued by the Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage. Any repair works shall retain the maximum amount of surviving historic fabric in situ. Items to be removed for repair off-site shall be recorded prior to removal, catalogued and numbered to allow for authentic reinstatement.
  - (ii) All existing original features, in the vicinity of the works shall be protected during the course of the refurbishment works.
  - (iii) All repair of original fabric shall be scheduled and carried out by appropriately experienced conservators of historic fabric.
  - (iv) The architectural detailing and materials in the new work shall be executed to the highest standards so as to complement the setting of the protected structure and the historic area.

**Reason**: In order to protect the amenity, setting and curtilage of the Protected Structure at number 258 North Circular Road and to ensure that the proposed works are carried out in accordance with best conservation practice.

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 and to ensure an appropriate
high standard of development.

4. The disposal of surface water shall comply with the requirements of the planning authority for such works and services. Prior to the commencement of development, the developer shall submit details for the disposal of surface water from the site for the written agreement of the planning authority.

Reason: To prevent flooding and in the interest of sustainable drainage.

5. Site development and building works shall be carried out between the hours of 0700 to 1800 Mondays to Fridays inclusive, between 0800 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.

6. Prior to commencement of works, the developer shall submit to, and agree in writing with the planning authority, a Construction Management Plan, which shall be adhered to during construction. This plan shall provide details of intended construction practice for the development, including noise and dust management measures and off-site disposal of construction/demolition waste.

Reason: In the interests of public safety and amenity.

7. The management and maintenance of the proposed development following its completion shall be the responsibility of a legally constituted management company. The management company shall agree a location on Rathdown Road for bin pick up with the planning authority.

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

8. Proposals for an estate/street name, 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 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 and to ensure the use of locally appropriate placenames for new residential areas.

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 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



10. The developer shall pay to the planning authority a financial contribution in respect of the LUAS Cross City Scheme 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.

Declan Moore

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

Dated this 16th day of December 2024.