

Board Order ABP-319631-24

Planning and Development Acts 2000 to 2022

Planning Authority: Limerick City and County Council

Planning Register Reference Number: 2459

Appeal by Brian Meaney and Nessa Meaney of 21 Cherry Avenue, Caherdavin Lawn, Limerick against the decision made on the 11th day of April, 2024 by Limerick City and County Council to grant subject to conditions a permission to Ard Services Limited care of McArdle Doyle of 2nd Floor, Exchange Building, The Long Walk, Dundalk, County Louth in accordance with plans and particulars lodged with the said Council.

Proposed Development: Provision of high-power electric vehicle charging points and associated infrastructure consisting of the following: (i) the installation of eight number electric vehicle charging bays and four number charging units, (ii) the installation of a new modular substation, (iii) the associated revisions to existing paved and landscaped areas, (iv) the erection of associated signage, (v) all associated site development works including lighting, drainage infrastructure and line marking at Circle K Caherdavin Service Station, Ennis Road, Limerick, County Limerick.

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 design, layout and scale of the proposed development

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 residential or visual amenities, established

character or appearance of the area and would, otherwise, 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. No advertising signage is permitted as part of this grant of permission.

Reason: In the interest of clarity.

3. The existing planting along the southern boundary of the site shall be retained and reinforced with additional planting, of native species. Details of such additional planting shall be submitted to, and agreed in writing with, the planning authority prior to commencement of development. All proposed planting shall be undertaken prior to the first operation of the EV charging bays.

Reason: In the interest of clarity and orderly development and to protect the amenities of adjoining residents.

- 4. The developer shall comply with all requirements of the planning authority in relation to roads, access, lighting and parking arrangements, including facilities for the recharging of electric vehicles. In particular, the following shall be submitted to the planning authority for written agreement, prior to the commencement of any works on site:
 - (a) a revised site layout plan, at an appropriate scale, which indicates clear directional markings through the site.
 - (b) the provision of accessible parking bays in line with the 'Irish Wheelchair Association' manual.
 - (c) delineate pedestrian routes from the proposed parking areas/electric vehicle units to the service station with a minimum width of two metres, and
 - (d) details of cowl positioning on proposed lighting so as to ensure light overspill into neighbouring properties is minimised

Reason: In the interest of traffic, cyclist and pedestrian safety and to protect residential amenity.

5. The construction of the development shall be managed in accordance with a Final Construction and Environmental Management Plan, which shall be submitted to, and agreed in writing with, the planning authority prior to commencement of development. This plan shall provide, inter alia: details and location of proposed construction compounds, details of intended construction practice for the development, including hours of working, noise and dust management measures, details of arrangements for routes for construction traffic, parking during the construction phase, and off-site disposal of construction/demolition waste.

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

6. The attenuation and 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: In the interest of public health.

7. Prior to the commencement of development, the developer shall enter into a Connection Agreement (s) with Uisce Éireann (Irish Water) to provide for a service connection(s) to the public water supply and/or wastewater collection network.

Reason: In the interest of public health and to ensure adequate water/wastewater facilities.

Eamonn James Kelly

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

Dated this 9th day of December 2024.