

Board Order ABP-319842-24

Planning and Development Acts 2000 to 2022

Planning Authority: Cork City Council

Planning Register Reference Number: 2342385

Appeal by Catherine Uniacke care of John MacCarthy and Partners of 16 Mary Street, Cork against the decision made on the 7th day of May, 2024 by Cork City Council to grant subject to conditions a permission to Jim Murphy and Kathleen Daly care of HW Planning of 5 Joyce House, Barrack Square, Ballincollig, County Cork in accordance with plans and particulars lodged with the said Council.

Proposed Development: Construction of a residential development comprising four number three-bedroom townhouses and all ancillary site development works with access to the proposed development via the existing entrance to the Windmere residential development, at Windmere, Cross Douglas Road, Douglas, Cork.

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 Cork City Development Plan 2022-2028 including the ZO 01 Sustainable Residential Neighbourhoods land use zoning of the site, to the pattern of development in the area, to the infill nature and size of the site, and to the design of the proposed development, it is considered that, subject to compliance with the conditions set out below, the proposed development would be in keeping with the established pattern of development at this location, would not seriously injure the residential or visual amenities of the area or of property in the vicinity and would be acceptable in terms of design 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 amended by the further plans and particulars received by the planning authority on the 8th day of April 2024, 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.

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2. The existing vehicular parking on site shall remain allocated for the sole use of the residents of the existing duplex units.

Reason: In the interest of clarity and the proper planning and sustainable development of the area.

3. 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. Drainage arrangements, including the attenuation and disposal of surface water, shall comply with the requirements of the planning authority for such works.

Reason: In the interest of public health.

 Prior to the commencement of development, the developer shall enter into water and/or wastewater connection agreement(s) with Uisce Eireann to provide for a service connection(s) to the public water supply and/or wastewater collection network.

Reason: In the interest of public health.

6. All public service cables for the development, including electrical and telecommunications cables, shall be located underground throughout the site.

Reason: In the interest of visual amenity.

7. 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 commencement of development. 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.

8. 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.

9. The management and maintenance of the proposed development following its completion shall be the responsibility of a legally constituted management company, or by the local authority in the event of the development being taken in charge. Detailed proposals in this regard shall be submitted to, and agreed in writing with, the planning authority prior to commencement of development.

Reason: To ensure the satisfactory completion and maintenance of this development.

10. The development hereby permitted shall be carried out and completed at least to the construction standards as set out in the planning authority's Taking In Charge Standards.

Reason: To ensure that the development is carried out and completed to an acceptable standard of construction

11. Proposals for a naming/numbering scheme for the dwellings shall be submitted to and agreed in writing with the planning authority prior to the occupation of the dwellings.

Reason: In the interest of urban legibility.

12. Site development and building works shall be carried out only between 0800 to 1900 hours Mondays to Fridays inclusive and 0800 to 1400 hours on Saturdays, and not at all on Sundays and public holidays. Deviation from these times will 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.

13. The construction of the development shall be managed in accordance with a 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 details of intended construction practice for the development, including noise and dust management measures, waste management and recycling of materials, environmental protection measures, welfare facilities, site deliveries, complaints procedure, pest control and traffic management arrangements.

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

14. A detailed construction traffic management plan shall be submitted to, and agreed in writing with, the planning authority prior to commencement of development. The plan shall include details of arrangements for routes for construction traffic, parking during the construction phase, the location of the compound for storage of plant and machinery and the location for storage of deliveries to the site.

Reason: In the interest of sustainable transport and safety.

15. Prior to commencement of development, 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) shall be prepared and submitted to the planning authority for written agreement. The RWMP shall include specific proposals as to how the RWMP will be measured and monitored for effectiveness. 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 reducing waste and encouraging recycling.

16. 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 within each house plot 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.

Reason: To provide for the appropriate management of waste and, in particular recyclable materials, in the interest of protecting the environment.

17. 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 of roads, footpaths, watermains, drains, 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 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 of the development.

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18. 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 the 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.

Liam McGree

Member of An Bord Pleanála duly authorised to authenticate

the seal of the Board.

Dated this 20th day of MARCH

2025.