

Board Order ABP-319862-24

Planning and Development Acts 2000 to 2022

Planning Authority: Galway County Council

Planning Register Reference Number: 24/60051

Appeal by Michael O'Mahony of Clareville House, Claremount, Oughterard, County Galway against the decision made on the 8th day of May, 2024 by Galway County Council to grant subject to conditions a permission to Bartley Molloy care of ETM Chartered Engineers Limited of Fough West Park, Oughterard, County Galway in accordance with plans and particulars lodged with the said Council.

Proposed Development: Construction of two detached dwellinghouses with all associated works and ancillary services at Claremount, Oughterard, County Galway.

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 residential phase 1 zoning objective of the site and the layout of the dwellings together with the general character of the area, it is considered that, subject to compliance with the conditions set out below, the proposed development would not seriously injure the visual or residential amenities of the area, would not be prejudice to public health 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

The proposed 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 11th 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.

 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.

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3. The disposal of surface water shall comply with the requirements of the planning authority for such works and services. Prior to 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.

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

Reason: In the interest of public health.

 The landscaping scheme as received by the planning authority on the 11th day of April, 2024 shall be carried out within the first planting season following substantial completion of external construction works.

Reason: In the interest of residential and visual amenity.

6. The existing front boundary hedge and wall shall be retained except to the extent that its removal is necessary to provide for the vehicular entrance to the site.

Reason: In the interest of visual amenity.

 All service cables associated with the proposed development (such as electrical, telecommunications and communal television) shall be located underground.

Reason: In the interests of visual and residential amenity.

8. If, during the course of site works any archaeological material is discovered, the City/County Archaeologist/Planning Authority shall be notified immediately. (The applicant/developer is further advised that in this event that under the National Monuments Act, the National Monuments Service, Department of Housing, Heritage and Local Government and the National Museum of Ireland require notification.)

Reason: In the interest of preserving or preserving by record archaeological material likely to be damaged or destroyed in the course of development.

9. The construction of the proposed development shall be managed in accordance with a Construction 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 all intended construction practice for the proposed development, including noise management measures and off-site disposal of construction/demolition waste.

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

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

11. 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.

12. The developer shall pay a financial contribution to the planning authority as a special contribution under Section 48(2)(c) of the Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended, in respect of works along the L-5330 in the vicinity of the site which benefits the proposed development. The amount of the contribution 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 for determination. The contribution shall be paid prior to commencement of development or in such phased payments as may be agreed prior to the commencement of the development and shall be subject to any applicable indexation provisions of the Scheme at the time of payment. Details of the terms of payment of this financial contribution shall be agreed in writing between the planning authority and the developer.

Reason: It is considered reasonable that the developer should contribute towards the specific exceptional costs which are incurred by the planning authority in respect of public services, which are not covered in the Development Contribution Scheme or the Supplementary Development Contribution Scheme and which will benefit the proposed development.

Paul Caprani

Member of An Bord Pleanála duly authorised to authenticate

the seal of the Board

Dated this 15th day of Oclober 2024