

Board Order ABP-321904-25

Planning and Development Acts 2000 to 2022 Planning Authority: Cork County Council Planning Register Reference Number: 24/00290

Appeal by Ann O'Connell care of Coakley O'Neill Town Planning of NSC Campus, Mahon, Cork against the decision made on the 22nd day of January, 2025 by Cork County Council to refuse permission for the proposed development.

Proposed Development: The construction of three number detached dwellings comprising two number two-storey, four-bedroom dwellings (198 square metres) and one number part single-storey part two-storey split level four-bedroom dwelling (203 square metres). The development will also incorporate a new vehicular access roadway, onsite foul treatment systems, retaining walls, parking, boundary treatment and landscape planting, and all associated site development works at Ardagh, Union Hall, County 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.

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Reasons and Considerations

Having regard to the location of the subject site within a key village of Cork County and objective DB-01 which states, 'within the development boundary encourage the development of up to 31 additional dwelling units during the plan period' as per Cork County Development Plan 2022-2028, and the scale and layout of the proposed dwelling, it is considered that, subject to compliance with the conditions set out below, the proposed development would not negatively impact the traffic safety in the area or have an undue impact on the visual amenity of the wider landscape. 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 18th day of December 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.

2. Prior to the commencement of the development, the access road and internal road network serving the proposed development shall be completed and 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) issued by the Government of Ireland 2019. Details of all

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locations and materials to be used shall be submitted to and agreed in writing with the planning authority prior to the commencement of development.

Reason: In the interest of amenity and of traffic and pedestrian safety.

 All site development works, with the exception of the laying of the final dressing to the road surface, shall be completed prior to the commencement of construction of any of the dwelling units.

Reason: To ensure the timely provision of infrastructural works for the 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: In the interest of public health.

- (a) Details of the materials, colours and textures of all the external finishes to the proposed dwellings shall be submitted to, and agreed in writing with, the planning authority prior to commencement of development.
 - (b) The roof colour shall be blue-black, black, dark brown or dark grey in colour only.

Reason: In the interest of visual amenity and protection of residential amenity.

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

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

7. 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.

- (a) All surface water generated within the site boundaries shall be collected and disposed of within the curtilage of the site. No surface water from roofs, paved areas or otherwise shall discharge onto the public road or adjoining properties.
 - (b) The access driveway to the proposed development shall be provided with adequately sized pipes or ducts to ensure that no interference will be caused to existing roadside drainage.

Reason: In the interest of traffic safety and to prevent pollution.

9. Site development and building works shall be carried out only between the hours of 0700 to 1900 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 circumstance where prior written agreement has been received from the planning authority.

Reason: To safeguard the residential amenities of property in the vicinity.

10. No dust, mud or debris from the site shall be carried onto or deposited on the public road/footpath. Public roads and footpaths in the vicinity of the site shall be maintained in a tidy condition by the developer during the construction phase.

Reason: To protect the amenities of the area and in the interest of road safety.

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11. During construction, the developer shall provide adequate off carriageway parking facilities for all traffic associated with the proposed development, including delivery and service vehicles/trucks. There shall be no parking along the public road or footpath.

Reason: In the interest of traffic safety.

12. 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.

13. Prior to commencement of development, the developer shall lodge with the planning authority a cash deposit, a bond of an insurance company, or such other security as may be acceptable to the planning authority, to secure the reinstatement of public roads which may be damaged by the transport of materials to the site, coupled with an agreement empowering the planning authority to apply such security or part thereof to the satisfactory reinstatement of the public road. 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: In the interest of traffic safety and the proper planning and sustainable development of the area.

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14. 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, 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.

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

Dated this Iday of

2025