

Commission Order ABP-322170-25

Planning and Development Acts 2000 to 2022

Planning Authority: Carlow County Council

Planning Register Reference Number: 24/60182

Appeal by Gary and Sharon Maxwell of Barrack Street, Tullow, County Carlow against the decision made on the 3rd day of March, 2025 by Carlow County Council to grant subject to conditions a permission to Anthony Cullen of 11 Gulistan Cottages, Rathmines, Dublin in accordance with plans and particulars lodged with the said Council:

Proposed Development: The construction of three number two-storey four-bedroom detached dwellings to the side of the existing single storey four-bedroom dwelling, including new boundary treatments to the proposed new and existing dwellings to provide private open space, new vehicular entrances involving the dishing of the existing kerb to provide off-street vehicular parking for the new and existing dwellings, the removal of the existing single storey storage shed (circa 30 square metres), the removal of the single storey extension to the side of the existing dwelling (circa eight square metres), all associated landscaping and all other necessary ancillary site development works, all at Barrack Street, Tullow, County Carlow.

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 pattern of development in the area and to the zoning as 'Existing Residential/Infill' in the current Tullow Local Area Plan, it is considered that, subject to compliance with the conditions set out below, the proposed development would provide a high-quality residential development, at an acceptable density on an infill site, would not seriously injure the character of the area or the amenities of property in the vicinity, would provide an adequate standard of residential amenity to future occupiers, and would be acceptable in terms of traffic and pedestrian safety. The proposed development would, therefore, be in accordance with the proper planning and sustainable development of the area.

The Board made its decision consistent with:

- the Climate Action and Low Carbon Development Act 2015, as amended,
- the Climate Action Plan 2024 and Climate Action Plan 2025.

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 15th day of January, 2025, and on the 11th day of February, 2025, 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.

 The proposed external finishes to the dwellings, hard and soft landscaping, and boundary treatments shall be in accordance with the revised drawings submitted as further information to the planning authority on the 15th day of January, 2025.

Reason: In the interests of visual amenity and traffic safety.

3. The landscaping scheme shown on drawings submitted to the planning authority on the 15th day of January, 2025 shall be carried out within the first planting season following substantial completion of external construction works. All planting shall be adequately protected from damage until established. Any plants which die, are removed or become seriously damaged or diseased, within a period of five years from the completion of the development, shall be replaced within the next planting season with others of similar size and species, unless otherwise agreed in writing with the planning authority.

Reason: In the interest of residential and visual amenity.

4. 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.

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

Reason: In the interest of public health

- 6. (a) All foul sewage and soiled water shall be discharged to the public foul sewer.
 - (b) Only clean, uncontaminated storm water shall be discharged to the surface water drainage system.

Reason: In the interest of public health.

7. Site development and building works shall be carried out only between the hours of 0800 to 1800 Mondays to Friday inclusive, between 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.

- 8. Prior to the commencement of development, the applicant shall consult with the Road's Design office of the planning authority regarding the following:
 - (a) a construction and traffic management plan required during construction period of the development, and
 - (b) a road opening licence.

Reason: In the interest of road safety.

9. 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 offsite disposal of construction/demolition waste.

Reason: In the interest of public safety and amenity.

10. Prior to commencement of development, a Resource Waste
Management Plan (RWMP) as set out in the EPA'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.

All the parking areas serving the residential units shall be provided with functional electric vehicle charging points, and all of the in-curtilage car parking spaces serving residential units shall be provided with electric connections to the exterior of the houses to allow for the provision of future electric vehicle charging points. Details of how it is proposed to comply with these requirements shall be submitted to, and agreed in writing with, the planning authority prior to commencement of development.

Reason: In the interest of sustainable transportation.

12. All service cables associated with the proposed development (such as electrical, telecommunications and communal television) shall be located underground. Ducting shall be provided by the developer to facilitate the provision of broadband infrastructure within the proposed development.

Reason: In the interest of visual and residential amenity.

13. 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 Coimisiún 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

Declan Moore

Planning Commissioner of An Coimisiun Pleanála duly authorised to authenticate the seal of the Commission.

Dated this 24th day of JULY

2025