

## Commission Order ABP-322517-25

Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended

**Planning Authority: Tipperary County Council** 

Planning Register Reference Number: 24/60705

**Appeal** by Dolph McGrath of Garden Cottage, Patrick's Well, Clonmel, County Tipperary against the decision made on the 16<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2025 by Tipperary County Council to grant subject to conditions a permission to Luizshire Limited care of MKO Planning and Environmental Consultants of Tuam Road, Galway in accordance with plans and particulars lodged with the said Council.

Proposed Development: Construction of 72 number residential units comprising of four number two-bed houses, 40 number three-bed houses, 24 number four-bed houses, two number two-bed duplex units, two number one-bed duplex units. Provision of a new pedestrian and vehicular access to Cregg Road (R697) and the provision of a shared access laneway. Provision of all associated surface water and foul drainage services, provision of an attenuation tank and sustainable drainage solutions (SuDS), connections and sewer upgrade works and all associated site works and ancillary services. Provision of communal open space, private open space, site landscaping and boundary treatments, public lighting, resident and visitor car parking, bicycle parking, pedestrian, cycle, and vehicular links throughout the development, and all other associated site development works, all on a site which extends to

2.857 hectares on lands located at Cregg Road (R697), in the townland of Knocknaconnery, Carrick-on-Suir, County Tipperary as revised by the further public notices received by the planning authority on the 26<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2025.

## 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**

The Commission made its decision consistent with:

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

Having regard to the District Town status of Carrick-on-Suir in the Tipperary County Development Plan 2022-2028, the new residential zoning objective for the site in the Carrick-on-Suir and Environs Local Area Plan 2025-2030, the location and proximity of the site to Carrick-on-Suir town centre, and the layout and design of the proposed development, it is considered that, subject to compliance with the conditions set out below, the proposed development would not seriously injure the amenities of property in the vicinity, would not be prejudicial to public health, and would be acceptable in terms of traffic and pedestrian safety and visual amenity. The proposed development would, therefore, be in accordance with the proper planning and sustainable development of the area.

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## **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 18<sup>th</sup> day of March, 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 proposed 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
  standard of development.
- 3. The glazing to all bathroom and en-suite windows shall be manufactured or frosted glass and shall be permanently maintained. The application of film to the clear glass shall not be permitted.

Reason: In the interest of residential amenity.

- 4. (a) Prior to commencement of the development, a revised western boundary treatment shall be submitted for Unit 1 replacing the proposed two-metre-high concrete boundary wall with a lower wall (0.6 metres) and landscaping, unless otherwise agreed with the planning authority.
  - (b) The boundary wall along the agricultural lane to the south of the site shall comprise a 1.4-metre-high block wall.

Revised drawings shall be submitted to, and agreed in writing with, the planning authority prior to commencement of development.

Reason: In the interest of visual and residential amenity.

5. The proposed development shall be carried out on a phased basis. Prior to commencement of development, the phasing scheme for the proposed development, inclusive of all associated infrastructure, shall be submitted for the written agreement of the planning authority. The central open space area shall be completed in phase one. No development shall commence on any subsequent phase of the proposed development authorised by this permission until the planning authority has certified in writing that the works in the previous phase have been completed to a satisfactory extent.

**Reason:** To ensure the timely and orderly development of the site for housing with the required supporting infrastructure.

- 6. (a) Prior to the occupation of any residential unit hereby permitted, the developer shall provide the public open space and landscaping as per the submitted drawings and specifications. The open spaces shall be developed for, and devoted to, public use and shall be maintained as public open space by the developer until taken in charge by the planning authority or management company.
  - (b) 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.
  - (c) All hard and soft landscaping works shall be carried out in accordance with the approved details and the appropriate British Standard document or other recognised Code of Practice, unless otherwise agreed in writing with the planning authority.
  - (d) Final details of all boundary treatments shall be agreed in writing with the planning authority prior to commencement of development.

**Reason:** To ensure that the public open space, planting provision, boundary treatment, and public art is provided in a timely manner and retained for the benefit of the occupiers and to aid integration of the development into the local landscape as soon as possible.

- 7. (a) Prior to the commencement of the development, as permitted, the applicant or any person with an interest in the land shall enter into an agreement with the planning authority (such agreement must specify the number and location of each house or duplex unit) pursuant to Section 47 of the Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended, that restricts all relevant residential units permitted to first occupation by individual purchasers i.e. those not being a corporate entity, and/or by those eligible for the occupation of social and/or affordable housing, including cost rental housing.
  - (b) An agreement pursuant to Section 47 shall be applicable for the period of duration of the planning permission, except where after not less than two years from the date of completion of each specified housing unit, it is demonstrated to the satisfaction of the planning authority that it has not been possible to transact each of the residential units for use by individual purchasers and/or to those eligible for the occupation of social and/or affordable housing, including cost rental housing.
  - (c) The determination of the planning authority as required in (b) shall be subject to receipt by the planning and housing authority of satisfactory documentary evidence from the applicant or any person with an interest in the land regarding the sales and marketing of the specified housing units, in which case the planning authority shall confirm in writing to the applicant or any person with an interest in the land that the Section 47 agreement has been terminated and that the requirement of this planning condition has been discharged in respect of each specified housing unit.

**Reason:** To restrict new housing development to use by persons of a particular class or description in order to ensure an adequate choice and supply of housing, including affordable housing, in the common good.

8. Prior to commencement of development, the applicant or other person with an interest in the land to which the application relates shall enter into an agreement in writing with the planning authority in accordance with the requirements of section 94(4) and section 96(2) and 96(3) (b), (Part V) of the Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended, unless an exemption certificate has been granted under section 97 of the Act, as amended. Where such an agreement cannot be reached between the parties, the matter in dispute (other than a matter to which section 96(7) applies) shall be referred by the planning authority or any other prospective party to the agreement to An Coimisiún Pleanála for determination.

**Reason:** To comply with the requirements of Part V of the Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended, and of the housing strategy in the development plan for the area.

9. Proposals for an estate/street name, house/apartment numbering scheme and associated signage shall be submitted to, and agreed in writing with, the planning authority prior to commencement of development. Thereafter, all estate and street signs, and house/apartment numbers, shall be provided in accordance with the agreed scheme. The proposed name(s) shall be based on local historical or topographical features, or other alternatives acceptable to the planning authority. No advertisements/marketing signage relating to the names of the development shall be erected until the developer has obtained the planning authority's written agreement to the proposed name(s).

**Reason:** In the interest of urban legibility and to ensure the use of locally appropriate place names for new residential areas.

10. Prior to commencement of development, the developer shall enter into Connection Agreement(s) with Uisce Éireann to provide for service connections to the public water supply and wastewater collection network and shall adhere to the standards and conditions set out in that agreement. All development shall be carried out in compliance with Uisce Éireann's Standard Details and Codes of Practice. Where the developer proposes to build over or divert existing water or wastewater services, the developer shall have received written Confirmation of Feasibility (COF) of Diversions from Uisce Éireann prior to any works commencing.

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

11. Drainage arrangements, including the attenuation and 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:** In the interest of public health.

12. Public lighting shall be provided in accordance with a lighting scheme which shall be submitted to, and agreed in writing with, the planning authority prior to commencement of development. The scheme shall include lighting along pedestrian routes through open spaces. 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.

- 13. 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.
- 14. (a) 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 as outlined in the Design Manual for Urban Roads and Streets (DMURS).
  - (b) Footpaths shall be dished at road junctions in accordance with the requirements of the planning authority. Details of all locations and materials to be used shall be submitted to, and agreed in writing with, the planning authority prior to commencement of development.

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

15. 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 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.

16. 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. In the absence of specific local standards, the standards as set out in the 'Recommendations for Site Development Works for Housing Areas' issued by the Department of the Environment and Local Government in November 1998 shall be adhered to. Following completion, the development shall be maintained by the developer, in compliance with these standards, until taken in charge by the planning authority.

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

17. A Construction and Environmental Management Plan (CEMP) shall be submitted to, and agreed in writing with, the planning authority prior to commencement of development. The Construction and Environmental Management Plan shall include, but not be limited to, construction phase controls for dust, noise and vibration, waste management, protection of archaeological assets, soils, groundwaters, and surface waters, site housekeeping, emergency response planning, site environmental policy, and project roles and responsibilities.

**Reason:** In the interest of environmental protection, residential amenities, public health and safety.

18. 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 Resource Waste Management Plan shall include specific proposals as to how the Resource Waste Management Plan will be measured and monitored for effectiveness. All records (including for waste and all resources) pursuant to the agreed Resource Waste Management Plan shall be made available for inspection at the site office at all times.

Reason: In the interest of reducing waste and encouraging recycling.

- 19. (a) 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.
  - (b) Details of road signage, warning the public of the entrance and of proposals for traffic management at the site entrance, shall be submitted to, and agreed in writing with, the planning authority prior to commencement of development.

Reason: In the interest of traffic safety.

20. All the communal parking areas serving the residential units shall be provided with functional electric vehicle charging points, and all of the incurtilage 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.

21. 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 and maintenance until taken in charge by the planning authority of roads, footpaths, watermains, drains, public open space and other services required in connection with the development, coupled with an agreement empowering the planning authority to apply such security or part thereof to the satisfactory completion or maintenance 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 Coimisiún Pleanála for determination. Reason: To ensure the satisfactory completion and maintenance of the development until taken in charge.

22. 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.

Planning Commissioner of An Colmisiún

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duly authorised to authenticate the seal of the Commission.

Dated this 9th day of September 2025.