

## Commission Order ACP-323129-25

Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended

**Planning Authority: Wicklow County Council** 

Planning Register Reference Number: 2560363

**APPEAL** by Robert Downes care of PACC of Unit 7 Enterprise Centre, County Wicklow against the decision made on the 4<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2025 by Wicklow County Council to refuse permission for the proposed development.

**Proposed Development:** Conversion and change of use of an existing garage/storage outbuilding to a new stand-alone one-bed apartment unit (circa 63 square metres), minor alterations to front and rear elevations, new vehicular parking, connection to services and all associated site and development works at Newpark Road, Wicklow Town, County Wicklow.

## 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.

PC.

## **Reasons and Considerations**

Having regard to the residential land use zoning objective pertaining to the site, as set out in the Wicklow County Development Plan 2022-2028, the established nature, scale and design of the proposed development, the separation distances between the proposed development and existing neighbouring dwellings, and the orientation of the development on the site relative to existing neighbouring dwellings, it is considered that, subject to compliance with the conditions set out below, the proposed development would not adversely impact on the residential amenities of the area by way of overlooking, overshadowing or overbearance, would not adversely impact on the visual amenities of the receiving environment and would be acceptable in terms of traffic and pedestrian safety and convenience. The proposed development would be consistent with national, regional and local planning policies and objectives supporting compact urban growth, densification and intensification of use of existing built-up serviced, zoned lands. The proposed development would, therefore, be in accordance with the proper planning and sustainable development of the area.

## **Conditions**

The development shall be carried out and completed in accordance with the plans and particulars lodged with the application, 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. Site development and building works shall be carried out only between the hours of 0700 to 1900 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.

3. The attenuation and 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.

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

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

5. 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.

Patricia Calleary

Planning Commissioner of An Coimisiun

Pleanála duly authorised to authenticate the seal of the Commission.

Dated this 26 day of November 2025.

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