



An
Coimisiún
Pleanála

**Commission Order
PL-501314-DS-26**

Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended

Planning Authority: Dublin City Council

Planning Register Reference Number: 5040/26

Appeal by Eugene Hillery against the decision made on the 13th day of April 2026 by Dublin City Council to refuse permission for the proposed development.

Proposed Development: Retention Permission for an electric vehicle charging arm installed in the front garden at 9 Albany Road, Ranelagh, Dublin.

Decision

REFUSE permission for the above proposed development in accordance with the reasons and considerations set out below.

Reasons and Considerations

1. Objective SMT29 of the Dublin City Development Plan 2022 seeks to support the expansion of the EV charging network by increasing the provision of designated charging facilities for Electric Vehicles on public land and private developments in partnership with the ESB and other

relevant stakeholders; and to support the Dublin Regional EV Parking Strategy. This policy is considered to be reasonable. The electric vehicle charging arm to be retained is not aligned with the preferred approach to EV charging provision for residences which do not have off-street parking. The retention of the development would, therefore, set an undesirable precedent for similar type development and is contrary to the proper planning and sustainable development for the area.

2. The electric vehicle charging arm to be retained obstructs the public footpath by way of a height restriction where currently there is no height restriction and that this would have the potential to endanger public safety. The development proposed for retention would be contrary to objective SMT18 (the Pedestrian Environment) of the Dublin City Development Plan 2022-2028 where it is policy of Dublin City Council to protect and maintain existing footpaths and endangers public safety by reason of traffic hazard or obstruction or road users or otherwise. The retention of the development as proposed would, therefore, set an undesirable precedent for similar type development and would be contrary to the proper planning and sustainable development for the area.



Emer Maughan

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

Dated this 4th day of September 2026