An Coimisiún Pleanála

Commission Order
PL-501616-GC-26

Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended

Planning Authority: Galway City Council

Planning Register Reference Number: 26/60101

Appeal by Ronan O' Sullivan against the decision made on the 24th day of June, 2026 by Galway City Council, to grant subject, to conditions a permission to Sandoval Developments Limited in accordance with plans and particulars lodged with the said Council.

Proposed Development: Subdivision of a residential site to construct two detached two storey houses with detached garages including a new access driveway and all necessary ground works at 7 Cuirt Cherin, Circular Road, Galway.

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 location of the subject site within the outer suburbs of Galway City, and to the provisions of the Galway City Development Plan 2023-2029, including the land use zoning objective of the site for R2 - Residential 2, which seeks to provide for sensitive residential infill, where such infill will not have an impact on the environmental and visual sensitivities in the area, and can be assimilated satisfactorily through design, layout and amenity impact in a manner that does not detract from the character of the area, it is considered that, subject to compliance with the conditions set out below, the proposed subdivision of site would allow for the efficient utilisation of zoned and serviced lands, and the proposed scale, height and layout of dwellings would not result in undue visual impact, overlooking, overshadowing or overbearing effects, 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.

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 28th day of May 2026, 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. Revised elevation drawings showing the actual extent, position and number of proposed fenestrations along the eastern and western elevations of both dwellings, shall be submitted for the written agreement of the planning authority, prior to commencement of development.
Reason: In the interests of visual and residential amenity.

3. The external finishes of the proposed extension (including roof tiles/slates) shall harmonise with those of the existing adjacent dwellings, in respect of colour and texture. Details of the materials, colours and textures of all the external finishes and boundary treatment to the proposed buildings 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 high standard of development.

4. Drainage arrangements, including the attenuation and disposal of surface water, shall comply with the requirements, in writing where necessary, of the planning authority for such works and services.
Reason: In the interest of public health.

5. Prior to the commencement of development, the developer shall enter into a Connection Agreement(s) with Uisce Éireann 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/wastewater facilities.

6. Site development and building works shall be carried out 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 circumstances where prior written agreement has been received from the planning authority.
Reason: To safeguard the amenity of property in the vicinity.

7. 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 off-site disposal of construction/demolition waste. Construction compound and contractor parking shall be carried out within the site boundaries.
Reason: In the interests of public safety and amenity.

8. 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 amenity.

9. The glazing to all bathroom and en-suite windows shall be manufactured opaque or frosted glass and shall be permanently maintained. The application of film to the surface of clear glass is not acceptable.
Reason: In the interest of residential amenity.

10. 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 Coimisiún Pleanála for determination.
Reason: To ensure that the public road is satisfactorily reinstated, if necessary.

11. 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.

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

Dated this 13th **day of** October **2026**