# An Bord Pleanála



### PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT ACTS 2000 TO 2016

# **Dublin City**

## Amendments to Grangegorman SDZ Planning Scheme, 2012

An Bord Pleanála Reference Number: 29N.ZE.0003

**WHEREAS** on the 10<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2012, An Bord Pleanála decided, under section 169(7) of the Planning and Development Act, 2000, to approve the making of the Grangegorman Strategic Development Zone Planning Scheme, and this scheme was subsequently published by Dublin City Council:

**AND WHEREAS** on the 26<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2017 Dublin City Council on behalf of the Grangegorman Development Agency applied to An Bord Pleanála to make the following amendment to the Grangegorman SDZ Planning Scheme, 2012:

"Chapter 4, pg. 50 Education Uses: A designated site for a Primary School has been identified in Zone 2a. The primary school will comprise in the order of 24 classrooms with ancillary special education rooms. The primary school will replace the temporary school (permitted under reg. ref. 4291/08) located elsewhere on the site and which was subsequently extended to September 2017 under planning reg. ref. GSDZ3263/14.

**Table 5.1 Development Proposals, Chapter 5, pg. 3**: A primary school for approx. c.750-770 pupils and with specific provision for special needs pupils is to be developed on the site and operated by the Educate Together body. The school currently occupies a temporary building on the Grangegorman site which opened in 2009 and which was subsequently extended to September 2017 under planning reg. ref. GSDZ3263/14".

and as set out in Appendix 1, Associated Amendments to Tables and Figures, to the planning report received by An Bord Pleanála on the 26<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2017:

**AND WHEREAS,** in arriving at its decision, the Board had regard to –

- the planning history of the SDZ scheme approved by An Bord Pleanála in May 2012, and to the overall scope and objectives of the approved planning scheme,
- the provisions of section 170(A) of the Planning and Development,
  Act, 2000, and
- the report of the Inspector:

**NOW THEREFORE** An Bord Pleanála decided, under the provisions of section 170(A) of the Planning and Development Act, 2000, as amended, to **APPROVE** the making of the amendment to the planning scheme based on the reasons and considerations set out below.

#### REASONS AND CONSIDERATIONS

The proposed amendment involves a simple increase in the size of a planned primary school within the scheme area, along with a matching reduction in the quantum of healthcare floorspace.

The Board considered that the proposed amendment would satisfy the criteria of section 170A(3)(b) of the Planning and Development Act, 2000, and therefore would not affect the overall nature of the scheme or require a more fundamental review procedure to be followed.

Having regard to the overall provisions of section 170A of the Act, the Board agreed with the Inspector's conclusion that the proposed amendment would not be material, given the limited nature of the proposed amendment. It is considered that the amendment will not have material implications for the amenities of the area and will not affect the overall planning scheme objectives or the character of the Grangegorman SDZ area.

The Board adopted the screening assessment carried out by the inspector in relation to the requirement for Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA) and Appropriate Assessment (AA). The Board agreed with her conclusion that the need for SEA or AA does not arise owing to the limited nature of the proposed amendment and the scope of the original SEA and AA procedures already completed for the adopted scheme.

### **MATTERS CONSIDERED**

In making its decision, the Board had regard to those matters to which, by virtue of the Planning and Development Acts and Regulations made thereunder, it was required to have regard. Such matters included any submissions and observations received by it in accordance with statutory provisions.

Member of An Bord Pleanála duly authorised to authenticate the seal of the Board.

Dated this day of 2017.

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