

# Case Reference: ABP-303827-19

# Planning and Development (Housing) and Residential Tenancies Act 2016 Notice of Pre-Application Consultation Opinion

Proposed Development: 355 no. dwellings (113 no. apartments, 12 no. duplexes and 230 no. houses) and associated site works. Crodaun, Celbridge, Co. Kildare.

An Bord Pleanála has considered the issues raised in the pre-application consultation process and, having regard to the consultation meeting and the submission of the planning authority, is of the opinion that the documents submitted with the request to enter into consultations require further consideration and amendment to constitute a reasonable basis for an application for strategic housing development.

An Bord Pleanála considers that the following issues need to be addressed in the documents submitted that could result in them constituting a reasonable basis for an application for strategic housing development.

### Design and Layout

1. Further consideration/justification of the documents as they relate to the layout of the proposed development particularly in relation the treatment of the interface with the Maynooth Road and the potential to create a more defined urban edge along same and the treatment of the interface with the proposed amenity lands to the north; connectivity with adjoining lands including the proposed future amenity lands ABP-303827-19 Pre-Application Consultation Opinion Page 1 of 4 to the north, provision of quality, usable open space and the creation of distinct character areas within a high quality scheme should be given further consideration. In addition, further consideration/justification of the documents as they relate to the proposed design, layout and orientation of the apartment buildings including the proposed palette of material. The further consideration of these issues may require an amendment to the documents and/or design proposals submitted

#### Infrastructural Constraints

2. Further consideration/clarification of the documents as they relate to wastewater infrastructure constraints in the network serving the proposed development in particular as it relates to the Lower Liffey Drainage Area Plan. The documentation at application stage should clearly indicate the nature of the constraints, the proposals to address the constraints and the timelines involved in addressing these constraints relative to the construction and completion of the proposed development. (The prospective applicant may wish to satisfy themselves that an application is not premature having regard to the information sought above).

#### Surface Water Management and Flood Risk Assessment

3. Further consideration of the documents as they relate to surface water management for the site. This further consideration should have regard to the requirements of the Drainage Division as indicated in their report dated 19 March, 2019 and contained in Appendix B of the Planning Authority's Opinion. Any surface water management proposals should be considered in tandem with a Flood Risk Assessment specifically relating to appropriate flood risk assessment that demonstrates the development proposed will not increase flood risk elsewhere and, if practicable, will reduce overall flood risk. A Flood Risk Assessment should be prepared in accordance with 'The Planning System and Flood Risk Management' (including the associated 'Technical Appendices'). Further consideration of these issues may require an amendment to the documents and/or design proposals submitted. Furthermore, Pursuant to article 285(5)(b) of the Planning and Development (Strategic Housing Development) Regulations 2017, the prospective applicant is hereby notified that, in addition to the requirements as specified in articles 297 and 298 of the Planning and Development (Strategic Housing Development) Regulations 2017, the following specific information should be submitted with any application for permission:

- 1. A detailed phasing plan for the proposed development.
- 2. Screening proposals for proposed substation.
- 3. Ecological Survey of existing trees and hedgerows which clearly identifies all trees/hedgerows proposed for removal.
- 4. A report should include full and complete drawings including levels and cross sections showing the relationship between the development and adjacent residential units, public pathways and interfaces with the public realm.
- A detailed schedule of accommodation which shall indicate compliance with relevant standards in the Sustainable Urban Housing: Design Standards for New Apartments, Guidelines for Planning Authorities' 2018.
- 6. A life cycle report shall be submitted in accordance with Section 6.3 of the Sustainable Urban Housing: Design Standards for New Apartments (2018).
- 7. A site layout that details any areas to be taken in charge by the local authority.

Also, pursuant to article 285(5)(a) of the Planning and Development (Strategic Housing Development) Regulations 2017, the prospective applicant is informed that the following authorities should be notified in the event of the making of an application arising from this notification in accordance with section 8(1)(b) of the Planning and Development (Housing) and Residential Tenancies Act 2016:

- 1. Irish Water
- 2. Transport Infrastructure Ireland
- 3. National Transport Authority
- 4. Minister for Culture, Heritage and the Gaeltacht
- 5. Heritage Council
- 6. An Taisce the National Trust for Ireland
- 7. Kildare Childcare Committee

## PLEASE NOTE:

Under section 6(9) of the Planning and Development (Housing) and Residential Tenancies Act 2016, neither the holding of a consultation under section 6, nor the forming of an opinion under that section, shall prejudice the performance by the Board, or the planning authority or authorities in whose area the proposed strategic housing development would be situated, of any other of their respective functions under the Planning and Development Acts 2000 to 2016 or any other enactment and cannot be relied upon in the formal planning process or in legal proceedings.

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