

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

Case Reference: ABP-306773-20

Proposed Development: Demolition of existing buildings, construction of 127 no. apartments and associated site works.

Lands formerly known as Richmond Cheshire Home, Richmond Park, Monkstown, Co. Dublin.

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 constitute a reasonable basis for an application for strategic housing development.

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:

 A report, including CGIs, visualisations and cross sections, as necessary, which clearly show the relationship between the proposed development and existing development in the immediate and wider area and which illustrates the

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topography of the area. Details should include the relationship between the proposed blocks and any future development on adjacent lands. The applicant should include details which include rationale/justification for the heights/setbacks proposed. Details should also include interactions with the Protected Structure, Dalguise House, and associated lands; boundary treatments and public realm.

- 2. A Daylight/Sunlight analysis, showing an acceptable level of residential amenity for future occupiers and neighbours of the proposed development, which includes details on the standards achieved within the proposed residential units, in private and shared open space, and in public areas within the development and in adjacent properties. A month-by-month assessment of average daylight hours within the public open space should be provided within the Daylight and Sunlight Analysis document to allow for a full understanding of the year-round level of overshadowing of the primary outdoor recreation area for the development should be submitted.
- 3. A housing quality assessment which provides specific information regarding the proposed apartments and which demonstrates compliance with the various requirements of the 2018 Guidelines on Design Standards for New Apartments, including its specific planning policy requirements. This should also include a schedule of floor areas for all proposed units, clearly setting out the aspect (single, dual, triple) of each unit.
- 4. A detailed landscaping plan for the site which clearly differentiates between areas of public, communal and private open pace and which details exact figures for same. Details should also include proposals for hard and soft landscaping including street furniture, where proposed, which ensures that areas of open space are accessible, usable and available for all. Pedestrian permeability through the site should be outlined. Details of the interface between private and communal areas should also be detailed. Additional cross sections, CGIs and visualisations should be included in this regard.
- Justification for lack of childcare facility which includes childcare demand analysis and likely demand for childcare places resulting from the proposed development.

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- 6. Additional details in relation to surface water management for the site, having regard to the requirements of the Drainage Division as indicated in section 1.3(ii) 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.
- Additional details and justification for the proposed development in relation to roads, access and circulation, having regard to the report of the Transportation Division of the planning authority as detailed in section 1.3(i) of their Opinion.
- Ecological Impact Assessment, which includes for, inter alia, an ecological survey which indicates the full extent of tree retention and removal, together with details of proposed tree protection measures during construction and which addresses matters raising within section 1.3(iv) of Chief Executive Opinion.
- 9. Waste management details
- 10. A life cycle report shall be submitted in accordance with section 6.3 of the Sustainable Urban Housing: Design Standards for New Apartments (2018). This report should specifically address proposed materials, finishes and detailing which seek to create a distinctive character for the development, avoiding blank facades, dead frontage and render finishes. The documents should also have regard to the long-term management and maintenance of the proposed development.
- 11. Site Specific Construction and Demolition Management Plan.

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. Department of Culture, Heritage and the Gaeltacht
- 3. Transport Infrastructure Ireland
- 4. National Transport Authority
- 5. An Taisce-the National Trust for Ireland
- 6. Heritage Council
- 7. Failte Ireland
- 8. An Comhairle Ealaionn
- 9. Dun Laoghaire Rathdown County 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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