

# Record of Meeting ABP-301715-18

Case Reference / Description	Demolition of existing house and outbuildings. Construction of 341 no. residential units, créche and associated site works. Glencairn House lands (Glencairn House and associated buildings/structures are identified as protected structures), Murphystown Way, Dublin 18.		
Case Type	Section 5 Pre-Application Consultation Request		
1 <sup>st</sup> /2 <sup>nd</sup> /3 <sup>rd</sup> Meeting	1 <sup>st</sup> Meeting		
Date:	4 <sup>th</sup> July, 2018	Start Time	11.00 am
Location	Offices of An Bord Pleanála	End Time	1.00 pm
Chairperson	Tom Rabbette	<b>Executive Officer</b>	Cora Cunningham

# Representing An Bord Pleanála:

Tom Rabbette, Assistant Director of Planning
Stephen Rhys Thomas, Planning Inspector
Cora Cunningham, Executive Officer

# **Representing Prospective Applicant:**

Dick Cuddihy, Applicant	
John McAndrew, Applicant	
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Maol Iosa Molloy, Conservation Architect	
Siobhan Derry, Archaeologist	
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# **Representing Planning Authority**

Louise McGauran, Senior Planner	
Anthony Kelly, Executive Planner	
Bernard Egan, Senior Executive Engineer	
Elaine Carroll, Executive Engineer	
Claire Casey, Senior Executive Engineer	
Julie Craig, Conservation Officer	

#### Introduction

The representatives of An Bord Pleanála (ABP) welcomed the prospective applicant, Planning Authority (PA) and introductions were made. The procedural matters relating to the meeting were as follows:

- The written record will be placed on the pre-application consultation file and will be made public, along with that file, should an application arise following the conclusion of this consultation process,
- ABP received a submission from the PA on 22<sup>nd</sup> June, 2018 providing the records of consultations held pursuant to section 247 and its written opinion of considerations related to proper planning and sustainable development that may have a bearing on ABP's decision.
- The consultation meeting will not involve a merits-based assessment of the proposed development,
- The meeting will focus on key site-specific issues at strategic overview level, and whether the documents submitted require further consideration and/or amendment in order to constitute a reasonable basis for an application.
- Key considerations will be examined in the context of the statutory development plan for the area and section 28 Ministerial Guidelines where relevant,
- A reminder that neither the holding of a consultation or the forming of an opinion shall prejudice ABP or the PA concerned in relation to any other of their respective functions under the Planning Acts or any other enactments and cannot be relied upon in the formal planning process or in legal proceedings.

The ABP representatives acknowledged the letter dated 29<sup>th</sup> May, 2018 formally requesting pre-application consultations with ABP. Prospective applicant advised of the need to comply with definition of SHD as set out in the Act of 2016, in relation to thresholds of development. It was also noted that the Inspector dealing with the pre-application consultation request would be different to who would deal with the application when it was submitted. Recording of the meeting is prohibited.

#### Agenda

- 1. Architectural and Archaeological Heritage
- 2. Density and proximity to Glencairn Luas Stop
- 3. Access Alternatives, Junction Design and Luas Crossing (consents)
- 4. Traffic and Transport Impact Assessment
- 5. Site Permeability and Planning Application Area
- 6. Residential Amenity Standards, Detailed Design and Interface with Luas Line
- 7. Water Services Detailed Surface Water Design, Irish Water Network Survey and Flow and Load Survey
- 8. Environmental Impact Assessment Report and Appropriate Assessment
- 9. Ballyogan and Environs Local Area Plan Status
- 10. Any other matters

# 1. Architectural and Archaeological Heritage

# ABP sought further elaboration/discussion on:

- Removal and relocation of portal entrance
- Context of proposed development in relation Murphystown Castle

### **Prospective Applicant's response:**

- Main house amenity protected, entrance defined by LUAS line and compromised by LUAS works
- > Entrance portal at risk and considered how to protect in long term
- Conservation work would need to be carried out if left in current location as no works have ever been carried out on it
- Relocation in close proximity to house and provide connection as it has become disconnected
- Main house has been repointed
- Landscape will be formal, gate will remain open, security gate will be located further along driveway
- Obvious location, sitting on existing avenue to house, retain existing setting, currently in public realm and will remain so
- No consultation with architectural heritage in department, will seek to engage in consultation before application is lodged
- Recorded archaeological monument on site, ruins have found to have good stability
- > Buffer zone created around castle ruins, proposed development designed around ruins, preservation and conservation retained
- > Details will be finalised after excavation

#### **Planning Authority's comments:**

- Gates have been compromised due to LUAS
- Constraints on gate having regards to construction traffic
- Satisfied with location proposed
- Policy in development plan to create access to ruins, have regard to lighting, signage and proposed railings

# 2. Density and proximity to Glencairn Luas Stop ABP sought further elaboration/discussion on:

Increase of density since section 247 meetings with PA

#### **Prospective Applicant's response:**

- Higher density on western edge near LUAS
- > Apartment heights cause security issues relating to ambassador's residence
- > Site cannot be further intensified due to constraints

#### **Planning Authority's comments:**

Original scheme was lower density, satisfied with increase in density

#### 3. Access – Alternatives, Junction Design and Luas Crossing (consents)

# ABP sought further elaboration/discussion on:

- Entrance across LUAS line onto Murphystown Way
- Access and optimum arrangement
- Alternatives considered in accessing the site

### **Prospective Applicant's response:**

- Meetings held with PA and TII, north access was agreed, letter of consent will be provided from TII
- Construction stage traffic concern for TII
- Junction will function in same way as Ballyogan Road
- Provision of pedestrian and cycle access along other sections, these accesses can become emergency accesses when required
- Junction concept agreed, discussions ongoing relating to ducting

# **Planning Authority's comments:**

- Consent required from TII regarding access
- > Issues with these particular accesses being used for vehicular access
- Commencement of development on site requires connection being in place and included in redline

#### 4. Traffic and Transport Impact Assessment

#### ABP sought further elaboration/discussion on:

- > TII and NTA comments
- Assessment relating to traffic

#### **Prospective Applicant's response:**

- Various surveys carried out west and east bound
- Quantified level of impact at opposite junctions
- Traffic and Transport Assessment Report will include most up to date data and mitigation measures that may be required, impact any other extant permissions in the area may have
- County Development Plan has long term objectives

#### **Planning Authority's comments:**

Provide more robust study in relation to permeability of site

#### 5. Site Permeability and Planning Application Area

#### ABP sought further elaboration/discussion on:

- Links indicated leading back to existing housing developments to south and southeast of site
- Pedestrian and cyclist permeability to and from the proposed development
- Location of access points
- > Extent of works on publicly owned lands

#### **Prospective Applicant's response:**

- Maximise pedestrian and cyclist permeability to reduce vehicular access
- Envisaged prospective applicant will carry out works or pay financial contribution to PA who will carry out the works

#### **Planning Authority's comments:**

- Adjoining lands taken in charge
- Support approach if these works were carried out as part of redline boundary
- > Consider direct routes in relation to pedestrian routes

# 6. Residential Amenity - Standards, Detailed Design and Interface with Luas Line

#### ABP sought further elaboration/discussion on:

- New apartment guidelines
- Design detail and access
- Car parking
- ➤ Interface with LUAS bridge, elevational treatment

#### **Prospective Applicant's response:**

- Undercroft parking, entrance to car park at ground level
- Acoustic works carried out relating to apartments along LUAS line, mitigation measures build into apartments across site
- Provision of winter gardens

#### **Planning Authority's comments:**

Consultations ongoing with prospective applicant regarding noise and mitigation measures

# 7. Water Services – Detailed Surface Water Design, Irish Water Network Survey and Flow and Load Survey

#### ABP sought further elaboration/discussion on:

- Surface water design
- Irish Water comments

#### **Prospective Applicant's response:**

- Existing soil Type 4, PA requires Type 3 be used, working with PA to possibly use mix of Type 3 and 4
- Post development will have less flow off site
- > Culvert headwall, will have further discussions with PA
- Positive response received from Irish Water relating to foul and water supply
- Ongoing discussions with Irish Water, Irish Water will carry out survey once prospective applicant has entered into agreement

#### 8. Environmental Impact Assessment Report and Appropriate Assessment

#### ABP sought further elaboration/discussion on:

- Reasons EIAR being submitted
- > AA screening document to be provided in application

#### **Prospective Applicant's response:**

- Proposed development sub-threshold but constraints regarding architecture and archaeology
- > AA screening report being prepared for application

#### **Further ABP comments:**

Ensure public notices make reference to EIAR, if one is submitted.

#### 9. Ballyogan and Environs Local Area Plan Status

#### ABP sought further elaboration/discussion on:

Status of LAP

#### **Planning Authority's comments:**

- Pre-consultation completed, unlikely process will be completed before application is lodged
- Comments from TII to be considered

#### 10. Any other matters

#### **ABP** comments:

- ➤ Has prospective applicant carried out any public consultation
- PA raised issues with drawings submitted

#### **Prospective Applicant's comments:**

- No public consultation carried out
- Is any information available if there is a secondary school proposed in the area
- Part V proposals agreed in principle with PA, will reach agreement prior to lodging application

#### **Planning Authority's comments:**

> PA currently looking at available sites to locate secondary school

- ➤ Issues raised over daylight/sunlight relating to apartments on eastern part of site, entrance to apartments, Part V proposals
- Parking and cycling need to be to DLRCC standards

#### **Conclusions**

#### The representatives of ABP emphasised the following:

- There should be no delay in making the planning application once the public notice has been published
- Sample notices, application form and procedures are available on the ABP website
- Irish Water would like prospective applicants to contact Irish Water at <a href="mailto:cdsdesignqa@water.ie">cdsdesignqa@water.ie</a> between the Pre-Application Consultation and Application stages, to confirm details of their proposed development and their proposed design.
- The email address to which applicants should send their **applications** to Irish Water as a prescribed body is <u>spatialplanning@water.ie</u>

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July, 2018