



## Observer's details

### 1. Observer's details (person making the observation)

If you are making the observation, write your full name and address.

If you are an agent completing the observation for someone else, write the observer's details:

(a) Observer's name

(b) Observer's postal address

## Agent's details

### 2. Agent's details (if applicable)

If you are an agent and are acting for someone else **on this observation**, please **also** write your details below.

If you are not using an agent, please write "Not applicable" below.

(a) Agent's name

(b) Agent's postal address

## Postal address for letters

3. During the process to decide the application, we will post information and items to you **or** to your agent. For this **current application**, who should we write to? (Please tick ✓ one box only)

**You (the observer) at the postal address in Part 1**

**The agent at the postal address in Part 2**

## Details about the proposed development

4. Please provide details about the **current application** you wish to make an observation on.

- (a) **An Bord Pleanála case number for the current application (if available)**  
(for example: 300000)

313220

- (b) **Name or description of proposed development**

Old Dundrum Shopping Centre

- (c) **Location of proposed development**

(for example: 1 Main Street, Baile Fearainn, Co Abhaile)

Old Dundrum Shopping Centre, Main Street Dundrum

## Observation details

### 5. Grounds

Please describe the grounds of your observation (planning reasons and arguments). You can type or write them in the space below. There is **no word** limit as the box expands to fit what you write. You can also insert photographs or images in this box.

(See part 6 – Supporting materials for more information.)

**The proposed development is not in keeping with the character of the area, particularly historic Main Street.** The Old Shopping Centre is in need of development, but it has the opportunity to be a vibrant centre for the community, rather than characterless blocks of apartments. They are completely unimaginative: **their high profile will dominate the area and cause traffic congestion, eroding the character of historical Dundrum village.** Replacing the old shopping centre with a carefully planned, thoughtful development that provides services for the surrounding area and new housing would be welcome. **This development will destroy historical buildings and remove community services.** Dundrum Town Centre is a great facility to have nearby but it is not for the local community. **Main Street provides many facilities that are specific to the community and the old shopping centre is part of that; it should be replaced with similar services and add communal value to the area.** There are many well developed town centres in Ireland and around the world. Can we not take inspiration from them, rather than just build multistorey blocks of uninspiring concrete? Above all, **this development contravenes the current Dun Laoghaire Rathdown Development Plan.**

## Supporting materials

6. If you wish, you can include supporting materials with your observation.

Supporting materials include:

- photographs,
- plans,
- surveys,
- drawings,
- digital videos or DVDs,
- technical guidance, or
- other supporting materials.

If your supporting materials are physical objects, **you must send** them together with your observation by post or deliver it in person to our office. You cannot use the online uploader facility.

**Remember:** You can insert photographs and similar items in part 5 of this form – Observation details

## Fee

7. You **must** make sure that the correct fee is included with your observation.

**Observers (except prescribed bodies)**

- strategic housing observation **only** is €20.
- strategic housing observation **and** oral hearing request is €70

## Oral hearing request

8. If you wish to [request the Board to hold an oral hearing](#), please tick the “Yes, I wish to request an oral hearing” box below.

Please note you will have to pay the correct **additional non-refundable fee** to request an oral hearing. You can find information on how to make this request on [our website](#) or by contacting us.

If you do not wish to request an oral hearing, please tick the “No, I do not wish to request an oral hearing” box.

**Yes, I wish to request an oral hearing**

**No, I do not wish to request an oral hearing**

## Final steps before you send us your observation

9. If you are sending us your observation using the online uploader facility, remember to save this document as a Microsoft Word document or a PDF and title it with:

- the case number and your name, or
- the name and location of the development and your name.

If you are sending your observation to us by post or delivering in person, remember to print off all the pages of this document and send it to us.

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**Notes**