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The Secretary. An Bord Pleanála, 46 Marlborough Street, Dublin 1

5th February 2024

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Re. Protected structure: Planning permission sought for a period of 7 years at Nos. 10 - 13 and Nos. 18 - 21 Moore Street, No. 5A Moore Lane (also known as Nos. 15 - 16 Henry Place), Nos. 6 - 7 and Nos. 10 - 12 Moore Lane and Nos. 17 - 18 Henry Place (also known as Nos. 4 - 5 Moore Lane), Dublin 1. Also, the site includes the rear of Nos. 50 - 51 and Nos. 52 - 54 Upper O'Connell Street, No. 13 Moore Lane, No. 14 Moore Lane (otherwise known as Nos. 1 - 3 O'Rahilly Parade and Nos. 14 - 15 Moore Lane or Nos. 1 - 8 O'Rahilly Parade and Nos. 14 - 15 Moore Lane), Dublin 1 and otherwise generally bounded by No. 22 Moore Street and No. 13 Moore Lane to the north, Moore Lane to the east, Moore Street to the west and Henry Place to the south. Nos. 14 - 17 Moore Street (National Monument / Protected Structures) is bounded north and south by the proposed development.

Case Number: ABP-312642-22 Planning Authority Reference Number: 2862/21

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Thank you for your correspondence of the 23<sup>rd</sup> January seeking submissions or observations in relation to a number of responses to the Section 137 request as issued by An Bord Pleanála on the 13<sup>th</sup> December 2023.

The Moore Street Preservation Trust (MSPT) is supportive of the submissions made on behalf of the following:

- Mary Lou McDonald TD
- Relatives of the Signatories to the 191 Proclamation
- Shane Stokes
- Sinn Féin Group

However the MSPT comments on the following submissions (see enclosed):

- Stephen Little & Associates on behalf of Dublin Central GP Ltd.
- Dublin City Council

Should you have any queries concerning the Trust's observations, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned

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Mícheál Mac Donncha

Rúnaí, Moore Street Preservation Trust, 27 Pearse St., Dublin 2.

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## Stephen Little & Associates on behalf of Dublin Central GP Ltd.

The applicant's agent has addressed its response to the Section 137 request, as issued by An Bord Pleanála, under the new/revised policies and objectives of Dublin City Development Plan 2022-2028 chapters, to which the MSPT responds below. The relevant chapters are:

Chapter 4	Shape and Structure of the city
Chapter 5	Quality Housing and Sustainable Neighbourhood
Chapter 6	City Economy and Enterprise
Chapter 7	The City Centre, Urban Village and Retail
Chapter 8	Sustainable Movement and Transport
Chapter 11	Built heritage and Archaeology
Chapter 12	Culture
Chapter 13	Strategic Development Regeneration Area

**Development Standards** 

Chapter 15

It is the applicant's opinion that its Masterplan for a number of adjoining sites on Moore Street and O'Connell Street constitutes "a significant urban regeneration project that encourages high-quality urban design and architectural details that contribute to the historic streetscape."

The Moore Street Preservation Trust challenges this assertion. The applicant also states that there is "significant potential to revitalise this central urban quarter of Dublin city centre through redevelopment that will enhance the competitive position of Dublin city centre". This commentary is confirmed by the dominant factor across all the planning applications to be the commercial viability of the projects. The large scale of development, the high density of development and the proposed uses across the development all highlight the commercial basis for the proposals. At the same time the lack of real or proper reference to the historic nature of this quarter resonates throughout each planning application.

In this particular planning appeal elements of 17-18 Henry Place, 10 Moore Street, 12 Moore Street, 13 Moore Street and 20-21 Moore Street were added to the Record of Protected Structures in November 2022. The Dublin City Development 2022-2028, particularly with the Protected Structures added, should ensure an additional protection to some buildings or parts of buildings but this has not been adequately reflected in the design submitted by the applicant. Indeed even Dublin City Council's grant of permission for an extension to the National Monument at 14-17 Moore Street highlights a casual attitude to these historic structures as does the Judicial Review being sought by the applicant concerning the additional Protected Structures.

This site forms part of the Moore Street Battlefield site which the National Museum of Ireland has described as "the most important historic site in modern Irish history." Moore Street holds a special place in the history of Ireland. It was in Moore Street and the surrounding streets and laneways (to the rear of the site which is the subject of this application) and at the nearby GPO, that a fierce battle was fought between the 1916 republican forces and the British Army. For over two decades a campaign has been waged, led by the Relatives of the Signatories and involving the relatives of many of those who



participated in the Rising, to preserve Moore Street and its environs as a National Monument.

The MSPT asks An Bord Pleanála to protect this historic quarter. As the Board will be aware the Trust engaged its own design team and put forward an alternative design, giving due consideration to the historic nature of the quarter.

The Trust asks the Board to refuse planning permission for this application. Unfortunately the overall project and the applicant's Masterplan are wholly inappropriate for these important historic sites located in central Dublin.

## **Dublin City Council**

Dublin City Council's response to the Section 137 request, as issued by An Bord Pleanála, rightly highlights the revised policies and objectives within the Dublin City Development Plan 2022-2028 and its revised Record of Protected Structures.

However the Council once again indicates its support for the project in its response, which the MSPT is critical of. That support has been evident throughout the planning process with many pre-planning and ongoing planning meetings taking place before a decision was made by the Council. Despite this the developer has sought a judicial review concerning the City Council's decision to add buildings and sections of buildings to the Record of Protected Structures.

It should be noted that Dublin City Council planning development and management teams have always supported the planning applications by Dublin Central GP Ltd. while the elected Dublin City Councillors have always worked to ensure the historic nature of the sites is given fair consideration in all the design proposals.

The MSPT asks that ABP protects this historic quarter of Dublin city by refusing to uphold Dublin City Council's decision to grant permission for this site.

