

**OPERATIONAL WASTE
MANAGEMENT PLAN FOR
PROPOSED
DEVELOPMENT**

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1.0 INTRODUCTION

AWN Consulting Ltd. (AWN) has prepared this Operational Waste Management Plan (OWMP) on behalf of Oval Target Limited. The proposed strategic housing development relates to a site at 'St. Teresa's House' (A Protected Structure) and 'St. Teresa's Lodge' (A Protected Structure) Temple Hill, Monkstown, Blackrock, Co. Dublin. The development will consist of the demolition of later ancillary buildings and extensions onsite and the construction of a new residential and mixed-use scheme of residential units and associated residential amenities, a childcare facility and café unit, along with all ancillary works.

This OWMP has been prepared to ensure that the management of waste during the operational phase of the proposed development is undertaken in accordance with current legal and industry standards including, the *'Eastern-Midlands Region (EMR) Waste Management Plan 2015 – 2021'* ⁴, *The Dún Laoghaire Rathdown County Council (Segregation, Storage and Presentation of Household and Commercial) Bye-Laws 2019* ⁵ and the *Guidance Notes for Waste Management Residential and Commercial Developments (2020)* ⁶. In particular, this OWMP provides a robust strategy for storing, handling, collection and transport of the wastes generated at site.

The effective implementation of this OWMP shall ensure maximum recycling, reuse and recovery of waste with diversion from landfill, wherever possible. The OWMP also provides guidance on the appropriate collection and transport of waste to prevent issues associated with litter or more serious environmental pollution (e.g. contamination of soil or water resources). The plan estimates the type and quantity of waste to be generated from the proposed development during the operational phase and provides a strategy for managing the different waste streams.

At present, there are no specific guidelines in Ireland for the preparation of OWMPs. Therefore, in preparing this document, consideration has been given to the requirements of national and regional waste policy, legislation and other guidelines.

2.0 OVERVIEW OF WASTE MANAGEMENT IN IRELAND

2.1 National Level

The Government issued a policy statement in September 1998 titled as *'Changing Our Ways'* ⁷ which identified objectives for the prevention, minimisation, reuse, recycling, recovery and disposal of waste in Ireland. A heavy emphasis was placed on reducing reliance on landfill and finding alternative methods for managing waste. Amongst other things, Changing Our Ways stated a target of at least 35% recycling of municipal (i.e. household, commercial and non-process industrial) waste.

A further policy document *'Preventing and Recycling Waste – Delivering Change'* was published in 2002 ⁸. This document proposed a number of programmes to increase recycling of waste and allow diversion from landfill. The need for waste minimisation at source was considered a priority.

This view was also supported by a review of sustainable development policy in Ireland and achievements to date, which was conducted in 2002, entitled *'Making Ireland's Development Sustainable – Review, Assessment and Future Action'* ⁹. This document also stressed the need to break the link between economic growth and waste generation, again through waste minimisation and reuse of discarded material.

In order to establish the progress of the Government policy document *Changing Our Ways*, a review document was published in April 2004 entitled *'Taking Stock and Moving Forward'* ¹⁰. Covering the period 1998 – 2003, the aim of this document was to assess progress to date with regard to waste management in Ireland, to consider

developments since the policy framework and the local authority waste management plans were put in place, and to identify measures that could be undertaken to further support progress towards the objectives outlined in *Changing Our Ways*.

In particular, *Taking Stock and Moving Forward* noted a significant increase in the amount of waste being brought to local authority landfills. The report noted that one of the significant challenges in the coming years was the extension of the dry recyclable collection services.

In September 2020 the Government of Ireland published a national policy document outlining a new action plan for Ireland to cover the period of 2020-2025. This plan 'A Waste Action Plan for a Circular Economy'¹¹ was prepared in response to the 'European Green Deal' which sets a roadmap for a transition to a new economy, where climate and environmental challenges are turned into opportunities. Replacing the previous national waste management plan "A Resource Opportunity (2012)".

It aims to fulfil the commitment in the Programme for Government to publish and start implementing a new National Waste Action Plan. It is intended that this new national waste policy will inform and give direction to waste planning and management in Ireland over the coming years. It will be followed later this year by an All of Government Circular Economy Strategy. The policy document shifts focus away from waste disposal and moves it back up the production chain. To support the policy, regulation is already being used (Circular Economy Legislative Package). The policy document contains over 200 measures across various waste areas including Circular Economy, Municipal Waste, Consumer Protection & Citizen Engagement, Plastics and Packaging, Construction and Demolition, Textiles, Green Public Procurement and Waste Enforcement.

One of the first actions to be taken is the development of a high-level, whole of Government Circular Economy Strategy to set a course for Ireland to transition across all sectors and at all levels of Government toward circularity. This strategy was issued for public consultation in April 2021.

Since 1998, the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has produced periodic 'National Waste (Database) Reports'¹¹ detailing, among other things, estimates for household and commercial (municipal) waste generation in Ireland and the level of recycling, recovery and disposal of these materials. The 2019 National Waste Statistics, which is the most recent study published, along with the national waste statistics web resource (November 2021) reported the following key statistics for 2019:

- **Generated** – Ireland produced 3,085,652 t of municipal waste in 2019. This is almost a 6% increase since 2018. This means that the average person living in Ireland generated 628 kg of municipal waste in 2019.
- **Managed** – Waste collected and treated by the waste industry. In 2019, a total of 3,036,991 t of municipal waste was managed and treated.
- **Unmanaged** – Waste that is not collected or brought to a waste facility and is, therefore, likely to cause pollution in the environment because it is burned, buried or dumped. The EPA estimates that 48,660 t was unmanaged in 2019.
- **Recovered** – The amount of waste recycled, used as a fuel in incinerators, or used to cover landfilled waste. In 2019, around 83% of municipal waste was recovered – a decrease from 84% in 2018.
- **Recycled** – The waste broken down and used to make new items. Recycling also includes the breakdown of food and garden waste to make compost. The recycling rate in 2019 was 37%, which is down from 38% in 2018.
- **Disposed** – Less than a sixth (15%) of municipal waste was landfilled in 2019. This is an increase from 14% in 2018.

2.2 Regional Level

The proposed development is located in the Local Authority area of Dún Laoghaire Rathdown County Council (DLRCC).

The *EMR Waste Management Plan 2015 – 2021* is the regional waste management plan for the DLRCC area which was published in May 2015.

The regional plan sets out the following strategic targets for waste management in the region that are relevant to the proposed development:

- Achieve a recycling rate of 50% of managed municipal waste by 2020; and
- Reduce to 0% the direct disposal of unprocessed residual municipal waste to landfill (from 2016 onwards) in favour of higher value pre-treatment processes and indigenous recovery practices.

Municipal landfill charges in Ireland are based on the weight of waste disposed. In the Leinster Region, charges are approximately €130 – €150 per tonne of waste which includes a €75 per tonne landfill levy introduced under the *Waste Management (Landfill Levy) (Amendment) Regulations 2013*.

The *Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County Development Plan 2016 – 2022* ¹³ sets out a number of policies for the Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown area in line with the objectives of the waste management plan.

Waste policies with a particular relevance to the proposed development are as follows:

Policy EI12: Waste Management Strategy

It is Council policy to conform to the European Union and National waste management hierarchy as follows:

- *waste prevention*
- *minimisation*
- *re-use*
- *waste recycling*
- *energy recovery and*
- *disposal*

subject to economic and technical feasibility and Environmental Assessment.

Policy EI13: Waste Plans

It is Council policy to publish plans for the collection, treatment, handling and disposal of waste in accordance with the provisions of the Waste Management Act 1996 (as amended) and Protection of the Environment Act 2003 (as amended).

Policy EI14: Private Waste Companies

It is Council policy to ensure that all waste that is disposed of by private waste companies is done so in compliance with the requirements of the Environmental Protection Agency and the Waste Management Legislation and in accordance with the Planning Code.

Policy EI15: Waste Prevention and Reduction

It is Council policy to promote the prevention and reduction of waste and to co-operate with industry and other agencies in viable schemes to achieve this.

Policy EI16: Waste Re-use and Re-cycling

It is Council policy to promote the increased re-use and re-cycling of materials from all waste streams. The Council will co-operate with other agencies in viable schemes for the extraction of useful materials from refuse for re-use or re-cycling and will adopt the National targets as stated in the 'Dublin Regional Waste Management Plan 2005-

2010'. (Note: the EMR Waste Management Plan 2015 - 2021 was published in 2015. It is assumed this objective is relevant to the EMR Waste Management Plan and not the Dublin Regional Waste Management Plan which is no longer valid).

In addition, Planning Scheme Objective PD15 states *"To promote the strategic design and location of bin-stores, service boxes and similar ancillary provision, including meter boxes, into the curtilage of developments or as positive design features that enhance the local streetscape and do not register as visual clutter"*.

The Draft *Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County Development Plan 2022 – 2028*¹⁵ sets out a number of policies for the Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown area in line with the objectives of the waste management plan.

Proposed waste policies with a particular relevance to the development are as follows:

Policy Objective EI12: Resource Management

- It is a Policy Objective to implement the Eastern-Midlands Region Waste Management Plan 2015-2021 and subsequent plans, in supporting the transition from a waste management economy towards a circular economy, to enhance employment and increase the value recovery and recirculation of resources. Underpinning this objective is the requirement to conform to the European Union and National Waste Management Hierarchy of the most favoured options for waste as illustrated below subject to economic and technical feasibility and Environmental Assessment.

Policy Objective EI13: Waste Management Infrastructure, Prevention, Reduction, Reuse and Recycling

- To support the principles of the circular economy, good waste management and the implementation of best international practice in relation to waste management in order for the County and the Region to become self-sufficient in terms of resource and waste management and to provide a waste management infrastructure that supports this objective.
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- To provide for civic amenity facilities and bring centres as part of an integrated waste collection system in accessible locations throughout the County and promote the importance of kerbside source segregated collection of household and commercial waste as the best method to ensure the quality of waste presented for recycling is preserved.
- To ensure any waste amenity facilities adhere to the Waste Regional Offices Waste Management Infrastructure siting guidelines.
- To develop a County wide network of multi material recycling centres, bring centres and a re-use centre and to require the provision of adequately-sized recycling facilities in new commercial and large-scale residential developments, where appropriate.
- To require the inclusion of such centres in all large retail developments to maximise access by the public. To ensure new developments are designed

and constructed in line with the Council's Guidelines for Waste Storage Facilities

Policy Objective EI14: Hazardous Waste

- It is a Policy Objective to adhere to the recommendations of the 'National Hazardous Waste Management Plan 2014-2020' and any subsequent plan, and to co-operate with other agencies, to plan, organise, authorise and supervise the disposal of hazardous waste streams, including hazardous waste identified during construction and demolition projects.

2.3 Legislative Requirements

The primary legislative instruments that govern waste management in Ireland and applicable to the project are:

The producer or holder of waste producer is responsible for waste from the time it is generated through until its legal recycling, recovery or disposal (including its method of disposal).

It is imperative that the residents, tenants and the proposed facility management company undertake on-site management of waste in accordance with all legal requirements and employ suitably permitted/licenced contractors to undertake off-site management of their waste in accordance with all legal requirements. This includes the requirement that a waste contractor handle, transport and reuse/recover/recycle/dispose of waste in a manner that ensures that no adverse environmental impacts occur as a result of any of these activities.

A collection permit to transport waste must be held by each waste contractor which is issued by the National Waste Collection Permit Office (NWCPO). Waste receiving facilities must also be appropriately permitted or licensed. Operators of such facilities cannot receive any waste, unless in possession of a Certificate of Registration (COR) or waste permit granted by the relevant Local Authority under the *Waste Management (Facility Permit & Registration) Regulations 2007* as amended or a waste or IE (Industrial Emissions) licence granted by the EPA. The COR/permit/licence held will specify the type and quantity of waste able to be received, stored, sorted, recycled, recovered and/or disposed of at the specified site.

2.3.1 Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County Council Waste Bye-Laws

The DLRCC "Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County Council (Storage, Presentation and Segregation of Household and Commercial Waste) Bye-Laws (2019)" were brought into force on the 1st of February 2020. These Bye-laws repeal the previous DLRCC waste Bye-laws. The Bye-laws set a number of enforceable requirements on waste holders with regard to storage, separation and presentation of waste within the DLRCC functional area. Key requirements under these Bye-laws of relevance to the proposed development include the following:

- Kerbside waste presented for collection shall not be presented for collection earlier than 6.00 pm on the day immediately preceding the designated waste collection day;
- All containers used for the presentation of kerbside waste and any uncollected waste shall be removed from any roadway, footway, footpath or any other public place no later than 10:00am on the day following the designated waste collection day, unless an alternative arrangement has been approved in accordance with bye-law 4;

- Documentation, including receipts, is obtained and retained for a period of no less than one year to provide proof that any waste removed from the premises has been managed in a manner that conforms to these bye-laws, to the Waste Management Act and, where such legislation is applicable to that person, to the European Union (Household Food Waste and Bio-Waste) Regulations 2015; and
- Adequate access and egress onto and from the premises by waste collection vehicles is maintained.

Provisions affecting Multi-user Buildings, Apartment Blocks, etc.

A management company, or another person if there is no such company, who exercises control and supervision of residential and/or commercial activities in multi-unit developments, mixed-use developments, flats or apartment blocks, combined living/working spaces or other similar complexes shall ensure that:

- a. *separate receptacles of adequate size and number are provided for the proper segregation, storage and collection of recyclable kerbside waste, residual kerbside waste and food waste,*
- b. *the receptacles referred to in paragraph (a) are located both within any individual apartment and at the place where waste is stored prior to its collection,*
- c. *any place where waste is to be stored prior to collection is secure, accessible at all times by tenants and other occupiers and is not accessible by any other person other than an authorised waste collector,*
- d. *written information is provided to each tenant or other occupier about the arrangements for waste separation, segregation, storage and presentation prior to collection,*
- e. *an authorised waste collector is engaged to service the receptacles referred to in this section of these bye-laws, with documentary evidence, such as receipts, statements or other proof of payment, demonstrating the existence of this engagement being retained for a period of no less than two years. Such evidence shall be presented to an authorised person within a time specified in a written request from either that person or from another authorised person employed by Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County Council,*
- f. *receptacles for kerbside waste are presented for collection on the designated waste collection day,*
- g. *adequate access and egress onto and from the premises by waste collection vehicles is maintained.*

The full text of the Waste Bye-Laws is available from the DLRCC website.

2.4 Local Authority Guidelines

DLRCC's Waste Management Division have issued *Guidance Notes for Waste Management in Residential and Commercial Developments* (2020) which provide good practice guidance for the storage and collection of waste for new build high density developments. The guidelines include a form which is designed to be completed by (or on behalf of) the applicant for new high-density developments. The objective of the guidelines is to allow developers to demonstrate to local planning and waste management authorities that they have considered how the design and the operation of waste management services will enable the occupiers and managing agents to effectively manage their wastes arisings.

The ultimate goal of the guidelines is that the implemented waste strategy will achieve a 70% reuse and recovery target in accordance with the European Commission's proposal to introduce 70% reuse and recycling targets for municipal waste by 2030

and while also providing sufficient flexibility to support future targets and legislative requirements.

This OWMP has been prepared to demonstrate exactly that and aims to do that in a comprehensive manner.

The guidelines and form are available on the DLRCC website.

2.5 Regional Waste Management Service Providers and Facilities

Various contractors offer waste collection services for the in the DLRCC region. Details of waste collection permits (granted, pending and withdrawn) for the region are available from the NWCPO.

As outlined in the regional waste management plan, there is a decreasing number of landfills available in the region. Only three municipal solid waste landfills remain operational and are all operated by the private sector. There are a number of other licensed and permitted facilities in operation in the region including waste transfer stations, hazardous waste facilities and integrated waste management facilities. There are two existing thermal treatment facilities, one in Duleek, Co. Meath and a second facility in Poolbeg in Dublin.

The Ballyogan Recycling Centre, is located approximately 4.80km to the south west, which can be utilised by the residents of the development for other household waste streams. The closet bottle and textile bank is located on Temple Park Ave, Blackrock. 105m to the east.

A copy of all CORs and waste permits issued by the Local Authorities are available from the NWCPO website and all waste/IE licenses issued are available from the EPA.

3.0 DESCRIPTION OF THE PROJECT

3.1 Location, Size and Scale of the Development

The proposed development comprises 493 residential units delivered in a combination of new apartment buildings (ranging in height from 3- 10 storeys overall in height) and a relocated St. Teresa's Lodge.

St. Teresa's House provides for 6 apartments, comprising 5 no. 2-bed units and 1 no. 3-bed unit. The new build element of 487 units is set out in 11 no. residential development blocks (Blocks A1-C2 and D1 – E2) ranging in height from 3-10 storeys over basement comprising:

- Block A1 (5 storeys) comprising 37 no. apartments (33 no. 1 bed units and 4 no. 2 bed units)
- Block B1 (10 storeys) comprising 55 no. apartments (37 no. 1 bed units, 10 no. 2 bed units and 8no. 3 bed units)
- Block B2 (8 storeys) comprising 42 no. apartments (28 no. 1 beds, 9 no. 2 beds and 5 no. 3 beds)
- Block B3 (8 storeys) comprising 42 no. apartments (28 no. 1 beds, 9 no. 2 beds and 5 no. 3 beds)
- Block B4 (5 storeys) comprising 41 no. apartments (4 no. studio units, 4 no. 1 bed units, 27 no. 2 bed units and 6 no. 3 bed units).
- Block C1 (3 storeys) comprising 10 no. apartments (1 no. studio unit, 3 no. 1 bed units and 6 no. 2 bed units).

- Block C2 (3 storeys) comprising 6 no. apartments (2 no. 1 bed units, 4 no. 2 bed units,) together with a creche facility of 392 sq. m at ground floor level and outdoor play area space of 302sq.m
- Block C3 (1 storey plus basement level) comprising residential amenity space of 451 sq. m.
- Block D1 (6 storeys) comprising 134 no. apartments (12 no. studio units, 22 no. 1 bed units, 90 no. 2 bed units and 10 no. 3 bed units).
- Block E1 (6 storeys) comprising 70 apartment units (34 no. 1 bed units, 26 no. 2 bed units and 10 no. 3 bed units).
- Block E2 (6 storeys) comprising 50 units (1 no. studio unit, 29 no. 1 bed units, 18 no. 2 bed units and 2 no. 3 bed units).

Each residential unit has associated private open space in the form of a terrace/balcony.

Resident amenity space c. 451 sq. m. accommodating a gym and studio space at basement level; residents' lounge/café, work booths/meeting room and reception/foyer/parcel store at ground floor.

Crèche facility of 392. sq. m.

252 no. residential car parking spaces (161 no. at basement level and 91 no. at surface level) and 20 motorcycle spaces at basement level are proposed. 8 no. car parking spaces for creche use are proposed at surface level.

1056 no. bicycle parking spaces (656 no. at basement level and 400 no. at surface level).

15,099.7 sq. m. public open space in the form of a central parkland, garden link, woodland parkland (incorporating an existing folly), a tree belt, entrance gardens, plazas, terraces, gardens, and roof terraces for Blocks B2 and B3.

3.2 European Waste Codes

In 1994, the *European Waste Catalogue* ¹⁵ and *Hazardous Waste List* ¹⁶ were published by the European Commission. In 2002, the EPA published a document titled the *European Waste Catalogue and Hazardous Waste List* ¹⁷, which was a condensed version of the original two documents and their subsequent amendments. This document has recently been replaced by the EPA '*Waste Classification – List of Waste & Determining if Waste is Hazardous or Non-Hazardous*' ¹⁸ which became valid from the 1st June 2015. This waste classification system applies across the EU and is the basis for all national and international waste reporting, such as those associated with waste collection permits, CORs, permits and licences and EPA National Waste Database.

Under the classification system, different types of wastes are fully defined by a code. The List of Waste (LoW) code (also referred to as European Waste Code or EWC) for typical waste materials expected to be generated during the operation of the proposed development are provided in Table 3.1 below.

Table 3.1 Typical Waste Types Generated and LoW Codes

Waste Material	LoW/EWC Code
Paper and Cardboard	20 01 01
Plastics	20 01 39
Metals	20 01 40
Mixed Non-Recyclable Waste	20 03 01
Glass	20 01 02
Biodegradable Kitchen Waste	20 01 08
Oils and Fats	20 01 25
Textiles	20 01 11
Batteries and Accumulators *	20 01 33* - 34
Printer Toner/Cartridges*	20 01 27* - 28
Green Waste	20 02 01
WEEE *	20 01 35*-36
Chemicals (solvents, pesticides, paints & adhesives, detergents, etc) *	20 01 13*/19*/27*/28/29*30
Bulky Wastes	20 03 07

* Individual waste type may contain hazardous materials

4.0 ESTIMATED WASTE ARISING

A waste generation model (WGM) developed by AWN, has been used to predict waste types, weights and volumes arising from operations within the proposed development. The WGM incorporates building area and use and combines these with other data including Irish and US EPA waste generation rates.

The estimated quantum/volume of waste that will be generated from the residential units has been determined based on the predicted occupancy of the units. The waste generated within the residential amenities has been calculated within the residential waste figures. While the waste estimates for the creche unit have been calculated based on floor usage per m²

The estimated waste generation for the proposed development for the main waste types is presented in Table 4.1.

Table 4.1 Estimated waste generation for the proposed development for the main waste types

Waste type	Waste Volume (m ³ /week)			
	Residential Block A (Shared)	Residential Block B1 (Shared)	Residential Block B2 (Shared)	Residential Block B3 (Shared)
Organic Waste	0.46	0.76	0.58	0.58
DMR	3.13	5.19	3.95	3.95
Glass	0.09	0.15	0.11	0.11
MNR	1.82	3.02	2.30	2.30
Total	5.50	9.11	6.94	6.94

Table 4.2 Estimated waste generation for the proposed development for the main waste types

Waste type	Waste Volume (m ³ /week)			
	Residential Block B4 (Shared)	Residential Block C1 (Shared)	Residential Block C2 (Shared)	Residential Block D1 (Shared)
Organic Waste	0.66	0.15	0.09	2.10
DMR	4.53	1.01	0.62	14.37
Glass	0.13	0.03	0.02	0.41
MNR	2.63	0.59	0.36	8.36
Total	7.95	1.78	1.09	25.24

Table 4.3 Estimated waste generation for the proposed development for the main waste types

Waste type	Waste Volume (m ³ /week)		
	Residential Block E1 (Shared)	Residential Block E2 (Shared)	Residential Block H (Shared)
Organic Waste	1.03	0.70	0.10
DMR	7.07	4.76	0.70
Glass	0.20	0.13	0.02
MNR	4.11	2.76	0.41
Total	12.42	8.35	1.24

Table 4.4 Estimated waste generation for the proposed development for the main waste types

Waste type	Waste Volume (m ³ /week)	
	Creche Unit (Block C2)	Café Unit (Block G)
Organic Waste	0.04	0.06
DMR	1.38	0.13
Glass	0.01	0.01
MNR	0.61	0.17
Total	2.04	0.37

The DLRCC Pre-Planning Waste Management Form recommends calculating residential waste using section 4.7 of *BS5906:2005 Waste Management in Buildings – Code of Practice*. Table 4.5 shows a comparison of total waste generated using this method versus AWN's waste generation model.

Waste Type	Waste Volume (m ³ /week)	
	BS5906:2005	AWN
Organic Waste	N/A	7.21
DMR	N/A	52.81
Glass	N/A	1.39
MNR	N/A	25.14
Total	70.51	86.55

Table 4.5 Comparison of residential waste generation figures

AWN's modelling methodology is based on data from recent published data and data from numerous other similar developments in Ireland and based on AWN's experience it is a more representative estimate of the likely waste arisings from the development.

It is anticipated that the conservative estimation of waste quantities from the residents will be sufficient to cover the small quantities likely to be generated in any residential amenity areas on a weekly basis.

5.0 WASTE STORAGE AND COLLECTION

This section provides information on the manner in which waste generated within the development will be stored and how the waste will be collected from the development. This has been prepared with due consideration of the proposed site layout as well as best practice standards, local and national waste management requirements including those of DLRCC. In particular, consideration has been given to the following documents:

- BS 5906:2005 Waste Management in Buildings – Code of Practice;
- DLRCC Guidance Notes for Waste Management in Large Residential and Commercial Developments (2020);

- DL RCC, Segregation, Storage and Presentation of Household and Commercial Waste) Bye-laws (2019);
- EMR Waste Management Plan 2015 – 2021; and
- DoHLGH, Sustainable Urban Housing: Design Standards for New Apartments, Guidelines for Planning Authorities (Section 4.8-4.9) (2020) ²⁰.

Nine dedicated communal Waste Storage Areas (WSA) have been allocated within the development design for the residents of the apartments and the residential facilities. The WSAs have been supplied on basement and ground level, and in internal and external locations, for use by the residents. The creche will have its own WSA allocated in Block C2, while the café has its own WSA allocated within the footprint of Block G.

All locations of the waste storage areas can be viewed in the drawings submitted with the planning application.

Facilities management will supply all tenants with a document that shall clearly state the methods of source waste segregation, storage, reuse and recycling initiatives that shall apply within the development.

It is anticipated that DMR, MNR, glass and organic waste will be collected on a weekly basis.

Using the estimated waste generation volumes in Table 4.1, the waste receptacle requirements for MNR, DMR, organic waste and glass have been established for the residential WSA. These are presented in Table 5.1.

Table 5.1 Waste storage requirements for the proposed development

Area/Use	Bins Required			
	MNR*	DMR**	Organic	Glass
Residential Block A1 & B1 - B4 (4 no. Shared)	11 x 1100L	19 x 1100L	13 x 240L	4 x 240L
Residential Block C1 - C3 & H (1 no. Shared)	1 x 1100L 1 x 240L	2 x 1100L 1 x 240L	2 x 240L	1 x 120L
Residential Block D1 (2 no. Shared)	8 x 1100L	13 x 1100L	9 x 240L	2 x 240L
Residential Block E1 (1 no. Shared)	4 x 1100L	7 x 1100L	5 x 240L	1 x 240L
Residential Block E2 (1 no. Shared)	3 x 1100L	5 x 1100L	3 x 240L	1 x 240L
Creche Unit	1 x 1100L	1 x 1100L 1 x 240L	1 x 120L	1 x 120L or Glass Bag
Café Unit	1 x 240L	1 x 240L	1 x 120L	1 x 120L or Glass Bag

Note: * = Mixed Non-Recyclables

** = Dry Mixed Recyclables

The waste receptacle requirements have been established from distribution of the total weekly waste generation estimate into the holding capacity of each receptacle type.

Waste storage receptacles as per Table 5.1 above (or similar appropriate approved containers) will be provided by the facility management company in the shared WSA.

The types of bins used will vary in size, design and colour dependent on the appointed waste contractor. However, examples of typical receptacles to be provided in the WSA are shown in Figure 5.1. All waste receptacles used will comply with the IS EN 840 2012 standard for performance requirements of mobile waste containers, where appropriate. Signage will be posted above or on the bins to show exactly which waste can be put in each.



Figure 5.1 Typical waste receptacles of varying size (240L and 1100L)

5.1 Waste Storage – Residential Units

Residents will be required to segregate their waste into the following main waste categories within their own units:

- DMR;
- MNR;
- Organic waste; and
- Glass.

Dedicated communal Waste Storage Areas (WSA) have been allocated within the development design for the residents of the apartments. The WSAs have been supplied on basement and ground level for use by the residents.

Space will be provided in the residential units to accommodate 3 no. bin types to facilitate waste segregation at source.

Each bin/container in the WSAs will be clearly labelled and colour coded to avoid cross contamination of the different waste streams. Signage will be posted above or on the bins to show exactly which waste types can be placed in each bin.

Access to the apartment block WSAs will be restricted to authorised residents, facilities management and waste contractors by means of a key or electronic fob access.

Other waste materials such as textiles, batteries, printer toner/cartridges and WEEE may be generated infrequently by the residents. Residents will be required to identify suitable temporary storage areas for these waste items within their own units and dispose of them appropriately. Further details on additional waste types can be found in Section 5.5.

5.2 Waste Storage – Creche

Staff will be required to segregate their waste into the following waste categories within their own units:

- DMR;
- MNR;
- Organic waste; and
- Glass.

As required, the staff will need to store segregated DMR, MNR, glass and organic waste within their own WSA adjacent to Block C2.

Each bin/container in the WSAs will be clearly labelled and colour coded to avoid cross contamination of the different waste streams. Signage will be posted above or on the bins to show exactly which waste types can be placed in each bin.

Based on the recommended bin requirements in Table 5.1, DMR, MNR and organic waste will be required to be collected weekly and glass will be collected as required.

Other waste materials such as textiles, batteries, printer toner/cartridges and WEEE may be generated infrequently by the tenants. Tenants will be required to identify suitable temporary storage areas for these waste items within their own units and dispose of them appropriately. Further details on additional waste types can be found in Section 5.5.

5.3 Waste Storage – Café Unit

Staff of the café unit will be required to segregate their waste into the following waste categories within their own units:

- DMR;
- MNR;
- Organic waste; and
- Glass.

As required, the staff will need to store segregated DMR, MNR, glass and organic waste to their WSA in Block G.

Each bin/container in the WSAs will be clearly labelled and colour coded to avoid cross contamination of the different waste streams. Signage will be posted above or on the bins to show exactly which waste types can be placed in each bin.

Based on the recommended bin requirements in Table 5.1, DMR, MNR and organic waste will be required to be collected weekly and glass will be collected as required.

Other waste materials such as textiles, batteries, printer toner/cartridges and WEEE may be generated infrequently by the tenants. Tenants will be required to identify suitable temporary storage areas for these waste items within their unit and dispose of them appropriately. Further details on additional waste types can be found in Section 5.5.

5.4 Waste Collection

There are numerous private contractors that provide waste collection services in the DL RCC area. All waste contractors servicing the proposed development must hold a valid waste collection permit for the specific waste types collected. All waste collected must be transported to registered/permitted/licensed facilities only.

All waste from the basement WSAs requiring collection by the appointed waste contractor will be transferred from the WSAs by personnel nominated by facilities management company (or waste contractor, depending on arrangement) to the temporary collection points, located at the top (Block D1) or base (Block A1, B1 – B4) of the basement ramp. The bins from the ground level WSAs (including the creche WSA) will be collected from their respective WSA directly, by the waste contractor for collection. The café unit will be responsible for taking their own bins to the curb for collection. The location of the temporary storage/collection points can be viewed on the drawings submitted with the planning application. Waste trucks will enter the development to collect waste from the temporary collection points.

Following collection, bins will promptly be returned to the WSAs by personnel nominated by the facilities management company (or waste contractor, depending on arrangement).

It is recommended that bin collection times/days are staggered to reduce the number of bins required to be emptied at once and the time the waste vehicle is onsite. This will be determined during the process of appointment of a waste contractor.

5.5 Additional Waste Materials

In addition to the typical waste materials that are generated on a daily basis, there will be some additional waste types generated from time to time that will need to be managed separately. A non-exhaustive list is presented below.

Green waste

Green waste may be generated from gardens, external landscaping and internal plants/flowers. Green waste generated from landscaping of external areas will be removed by external landscape contractors. Green waste generated from gardens internal plants/flowers can be placed in the organic waste bins.

Batteries

A take-back service for waste batteries and accumulators (e.g. rechargeable batteries) is in place in order to comply with the Waste Management Batteries and Accumulators Regulations 2014 as amended. In accordance with these regulations consumers are able to bring their waste batteries to their local civic amenity centre or can return them free of charge to retailers which supply the equivalent type of battery, regardless of whether or not the batteries were purchased at the retail outlet and regardless of whether or not the person depositing the waste battery purchases any product or products from the retail outlet.

The crèche and café tenants cannot use the civic amenity centre. They must segregate their waste batteries and either avail of the take-back service provided by retailers or arrange for recycling/recovery of their waste batteries by a suitably permitted/licenced contractor. Facilities management may arrange collection depending on the agreement.

Waste Electrical and Electronic Equipment (WEEE)

The *WEEE Directive 2002/96/EC* and associated Waste Management (WEEE) Regulations have been enacted to ensure a high level of recycling of electronic and electrical equipment. In accordance with the regulations, consumers can bring their waste electrical and electronic equipment to their local recycling centre. In addition consumers can bring back WEEE within 15 days to retailers when they purchase new equipment on a like for like basis. Retailers are also obliged to collect WEEE within 15 days of delivery of a new item, provided the item is disconnected from all mains, does not pose a health and safety risk and is readily available for collection.

As noted above, the crèche and café tenants cannot use the civic amenity centre. They must segregate their WEEE and either avail of the take-back/collection service provided by retailers or arrange for recycling/recovery of their WEEE by a suitably permitted/licenced contractor. Facilities management may arrange collection depending on the agreement.

Printer Cartridge/Toners

It is recommended that a printer cartridge/toner bin is provided in the creche and café units, where appropriate. The crèche and café tenants will be required to store this waste within their unit and arrange for return to retailers or collection by an authorised waste contractor, as required.

Waste printer cartridge/toners generated by residents can usually be returned to the supplier free of charge or can be brought to a civic amenity centre.

Chemicals (solvents, paints, adhesives, resins, detergents etc)

Chemicals (such as solvents, paints etc) are largely generated from building maintenance works. Such works are usually completed by external contractors who are responsible for the off-site removal and appropriate recovery/recycling/disposal of any waste materials generated.

Any waste cleaning products or waste packaging from cleaning products generated in the crèche and café units, that is classed as hazardous (if they arise) will be appropriately stored within the tenants own space. Facilities management may arrange collection depending on the agreement.

Any waste cleaning products or waste packaging from cleaning products that are classed as hazardous (if they arise) generated by the residents will be brought to a civic amenity centre.

Light Bulbs (Fluorescent Tubes, Long Life, LED and Lilament bulbs)

Waste light bulbs may be generated by lighting at the creche tenant's unit. It is anticipated that crèche and café tenants will be responsible for the off-site removal and appropriate recovery/disposal of these wastes. Facilities management may arrange collection depending on the agreement.

Light bulbs generated by residents will be taken to the nearest civic amenity centre for appropriate storage and recovery/disposal.

Textiles

Where possible, waste textiles will be recycled or donated to a charity organisation for reuse.

Waste Cooking Oil

If the crèche and café tenants use cooking oil, waste cooking oil will need to be stored within the unit on a bunded area or spill pallet and regular collections by a dedicated waste contractor will need to be organised as required. Under sink grease traps will be installed in any cooking space.

If the residents generate waste cooking oil, this can be brought to a civic amenity centre.

Furniture (and other bulky wastes)

Furniture and other bulky waste items (such as carpet etc.) may occasionally be generated by the crèche and café tenants. The collection of bulky waste will be arranged as required by the tenant. If residents wish to dispose of furniture, this can be brought a civic amenity centre.

Abandoned Bicycles

Bicycle parking areas are planned for the development. As happens in other developments, residents sometimes abandon faulty or unused bicycles and it can be difficult to determine their ownership. Abandoned bicycles will be donated to charity if they arise.

Covid-19 Waste

Any waste generated by residents, crèche and café tenants that have tested positive for Covid-19 will be manged in accordance with the current Covid-19 HSE Guidelines at the time that that waste arises. At the time this report was prepared, the HSE Guidelines require the following procedure for any waste from a person that tests positive for Covid-19:

- Put all waste (gloves, tissues, wipes, masks) from that person in a bin bag and tie when almost full;
- Put this bin bag into a second bin bag and tie a knot;
- Store this bag safely for 3 days, then put the bag into the non-recyclable waste/general waste wheelie bin for collection/emptying.

Please note that this guidance is likely to be updated by the time the development is open and occupied and the relevant guidance at the time will need to be reviewed.

5.6 Waste Storage Area Design

The shared WSAs will be designed and fitted-out to meet the requirements of relevant design Standards, including:

- Waste Storage areas will not present any safety risks to users;
- Be fitted with a non-slip floor surface;
- Provide ventilation to reduce the potential for generation of odours;
- Provide suitable lighting – a minimum Lux rating of 220 is recommended;
- Appropriate sensor controlled lighting;
- Be easily accessible for people with limited mobility;
- Be restricted to access by nominated personnel only;
- Be supplied with hot or cold water for disinfection and washing of bins;
- Have access to suitable power supply for power washers, if required;
- Have a sloped floor to a central foul drain for bins washing run-off;
- Have appropriate graphical and written signage placed above and on bins indicating correct use;
- Have access for potential control of vermin, if required;
- Robust design of doors to bin area incorporating steel sheet covering where appropriate; and
- Be monitored by CCTV.

The facility management company will be required to maintain bins and storage areas in good condition as required by the DLRCC *Waste Bye-Laws*.

5.7 Facility Management Responsibilities

It shall be the responsibility of the Facilities Management Company to ensure that all waste generated by apartment residents, crèche and café tenants is managed to ensure correct storage prior to collection by an appropriately permitted waste management company.

Facilities Management will provide the following items in accordance with the DLRCC *the Guidance Notes for Waste Management in Residential and Commercial Developments*:

- Provision of a Waste Management Plan document, prepared by the Facilities Management Company to all residential units, which shall clearly state the methods of source waste segregation, storage, reuse and recycling initiatives that shall apply to the management of the development;
- Provision and maintenance of appropriate graphical signage to inform residents of their obligation to reduce waste, segregate waste and in the correct bin;
- Preparation of an annual waste management report for all residential units;
- Designation of access routes to common waste storage areas to ensure safe access from the apartment units by mobility impaired persons;
- Provision of an appropriately qualified and experienced staff member, who will be responsible for all aspects of waste management at the development;

- Daily inspection of waste storage areas and signing of a daily check list, which shall be displayed within the area; and
- Maintenance of a weekly register, detailing the quantities and breakdown of wastes collected from the development and provision of supporting documentation by the waste collector to allow tracking of waste recycling rates.

6.0 CONCLUSIONS

In summary, this OWMP presents a waste strategy that complies with all legal requirements, waste policies and best practice guidelines and demonstrates that the required storage areas have been incorporated into the design of the development.

Implementation of this OWMP will ensure a high level of recycling, reuse and recovery at the development. All recyclable materials will be segregated at source to reduce waste contractor costs and ensure maximum diversion of materials from landfill, thus achieving the targets set out in the *EMR Waste Management Plan 2015 – 2021*.

Adherence to this plan will also ensure that waste management at the development is carried out in accordance with the requirements The DLRCC Guidance Notes for Waste Management Planning, the *DLRCC Waste Bye-Laws* and DLRCC Guidance Notes for Waste Management in Large Residential and Commercial Developments.

The waste strategy presented in this document will provide sufficient storage capacity for the estimated quantity of segregated waste. The designated area for waste storage will provide sufficient room for the required receptacles in accordance with the details of this strategy.

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