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Ballinteer Community School

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3rd May 2022

An Bord Pleanála,
64 Marlborough Street,
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AN BORD PLEANÁLA
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AN BORD PLEANÁLA
26 APR 2022
LTR DATED _____ FROM _____
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To whom it may concern,

My name is Amy Doherty and I am Principal of Ballinteer Community School on Broadford Road, Ballinteer, Dublin 16. I am writing to you to appeal a declaration issued to our school under Section 5. I wrote to Cormac Heavey and looked to have the name of our school, Ballinteer Community School, put on our school building above our entrance.

We do not have the name of our school above the entrance of our building. There is a large space, as you will see in the attached image, where it is clear that the intention was, upon the building being completed, that the name of the school would go here. This is not a development, it is an omission at the point of construction that I am looking to rectify. It is a case of our school looking to put our school name on our own building within our own grounds. When you drive up the avenue to our school, no-one knows that they are arriving at a school. There is no signage. It is difficult for us to receive deliveries and serve the needs of members of our school community as a result of this.

We are a DEIS school who have very little disposable income. The cost to date of applying to the Council has been €300. This fee is more than the cost of the envisioned sign. When trying to find the correct form online, we contacted the DLRCC and we were told on the phone that we were exempt from planning permission and that filling in the application was simply routine.

Having filled in the form given to us, Cormac Heavey wrote to me requesting the details below so that a decision could be made. I provided the details as set-out below:

Dimensions

The name of the school and crest will be approximately 4.8m long x 2.4m tall.

Height of the signage above ground level

The elevation from the ground is approximately 3.7m.

Exact elevational location

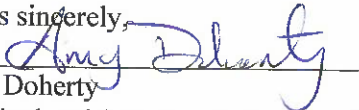
The elevational location from the bottom of the wall is approximately 0.6m and is 1.4m from the right edge of the wall.

I am writing to you now as on the 8th of April, Cormac Heavey wrote to me to tell me that Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County Council considered that 'The erection of a sign reading 'Ballinteer Community School' accompanied by an image of the school crest, at Ballinteer Community School, Broadford Road, Dublin 16, D16 XF79 would constitute 'development' and would 'not constitute exempted development.'

I am writing to you to ask you to please reconsider the above decision. I am working in a school in our local community that does not have the name of the school in the space provided for its name on the building above its main entrance. I am extremely disappointed for our students who cross the threshold of a nameless building every day. I would like our students to be able to have pride in their school and to see the crest that they wear on their jumpers on the wall above the door they enter each day.

I look forward to hearing from you. If you require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,



Amy Doherty
Principal and Secretary to the Board

ⓧ Enclosed cheque for €220.00



MAIN SIGNAGE - OPTION 3 - MOUNTED ACRYLIC CUT LETTERING AND CREST

≈ 4.8m x 2.4m





Ballinteer Community school d16fx79

