An Roinn Tithíochta, Rialtais Áitiúil agus Oidhreachta Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage



Planning Ref: **SD21A/0139** (*Please quote in all related correspondence*)

1st July 2021

Director of Services – Planning South Dublin County Council County Hall Belgard Square North Tallaght Dublin 24

Via email: planning.dept@sdublincoco.ie

Re: Notification under Article 28 (Part 4) or Article 82 (Part 8) of the Planning and Development Regulations, 2001, as amended.

Proposed Development: The demolition of three existing apartment units (c. 239sq.m) and bin store (c.18sq.m) and the construction of a residential development arranged in two building blocks at St. Basil's Training Centre, Greenhills Road, Tallaght, Dublin 24.

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I refer to correspondence received in connection with the above. Outlined below are heritage-related observations/recommendations co-ordinated by the Development Applications Unit under the stated headings.

Archaeology

This Department notes that the development site is large in scale and located adjacent to the site of Bancrofts castle (Recorded Monument DU022-018001). There is therefore the potential for archaeological features/materials to be found at the proposed site. The Archaeological Assessment report that was submitted with the application recommends archaeological testing in the limited area of the site that is available for testing.

It is the recommendation of the National Monuments Service that the following condition pertaining to Pre-development Assessment be included in any grant of planning permission that may issue.

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- The applicant is required to engage the services of a suitably qualified archaeologist to carry out an archaeological assessment of the development site. The assessment will include archaeological test excavations. No sub-surface work should be undertaken in the absence of the archaeologist without his/her express consent.
- 2. The archaeologist will carry out any relevant documentary research and inspect the site. Test trenches will be excavated at locations chosen by the archaeologist (licensed under the National Monuments Acts 1930-2004), having consulted the site drawings.
- 3. Having completed the work, the archaeologist should submit a written report to the Planning Authority and to the National Monuments Service in advance of the planning decision. Where archaeological material/features are shown to be present, preservation *in situ*, preservation by record (excavation) or monitoring may be required and the National Monuments Service will advise the Applicant/Developer with regard to these matters.
- 4. No site preparation or construction work shall be carried out until after the archaeologist's report has been submitted and permission to proceed has been received in writing from the Planning Authority in consultation with the National Monuments Service.

Reason: To ensure the continued preservation (either *in situ* or by record) of places, caves, sites, features or other objects of archaeological interest.

You are requested to send further communications to this Department's Development Applications Unit (DAU) at referrals@housing.gov.ie where used, or to the following address:

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