

SOUTH DUBLIN COUNTY COUNCIL



INTERNAL MEMORANDUM

Public Realm Planning Report

Development: Construction of dormer bungalow and associated landscaping, services and parking resulting in no extra vehicular traffic to Killakee Green.

Location: 8, Firhouse Road, Tallaght, Dublin 24

Applicant: Richard Quinn

Reg. Ref: SD21A/0249 F.I

Report Date: **08/02/2022**

Recommendation: **GRANT WITH CONDITIONS**

Planning Officer: AOIFE O'CONNOR MASSINGHAM

COMMENTS:

In relation to the above proposed development, this section has reviewed the application and has the following comments.

Landscape Plan

A landscape plan has been provided by the applicant; however, the submitted landscape plan lacks sufficient information in terms of proposed planting details and landscape specifications. A landscape scheme shall be provided which helps to integrate the development into the local landscape and through suitable boundary planting provides visual screening, mitigation of negative visual effects and which improves local biodiversity and green infrastructure links. The Landscape Plan should be prepared by a suitably qualified landscape consultant/designer. The landscape Plan shall include

details of hard and soft landscaping, in addition the applicant is requested to submit a fully detailed Planting Plan for the development.

The Public Realm Section has assessed the proposed development in accordance with the policies and objectives of the County Development Plan 2016-2022 and with best practice guidelines and recommends the following:

1. Landscape Plan

Prior to the commencement of Development, the applicant, owner or developer shall submit to the Planning Authority:

- a) A fully detailed landscape plan with full works specification, that accords with the specifications and requirements of the Council's Public Realm Section. The landscape Plan shall include hard and soft landscape details, in addition the applicant is requested to submit a fully detailed Planting Plan for the development.
- b) The planting plan shall clearly set out the following:
 - i. Location of species types, schedule of plants noting species, planting sizes and proposed numbers/densities where appropriate
 - ii. Implementation timetables.
 - iii. Detailed proposals for the future maintenance/management of all landscaped areas

CONDITION.

REASON: In the interests of visual amenity and to protect and enhance the character of the site and the area, and to ensure its appearance is satisfactory, in accordance with the policies and objectives contained within Section 8.3.0 Public Open Space Hierarchy and Landscape Setting of the CDP 2016-2022.

2. Protection of Street Tree in Grass Margin

In order to ensure the protection of the existing street tree adjacent to the entrance of this proposed development, suitable tree protection fencing should be installed in order to protect the existing tree

during construction works. Protective tree fencing must be erected prior to all construction operations occurring on site. Fencing to be in accordance with BS 5837. This fencing, enclosing the tree protection areas must be installed prior to any plant, vehicle or machinery access on site. Fencing must be clearly signed 'Tree Protection Area – No Construction Access'. No Excavation, plant vehicle movement, materials or soil storage is to be permitted within the fenced tree protection area. **CONDITION**

REASON: To ensure the safety and well-being of the trees on and adjacent to the subject site that are to remain after building works are completed, in accordance with policy G2 Objective 9, G4 Objective 5, G2 Objective 13, G6 Objective 1, HCL15 Objective 3 of the CDP 2016-2022.

3. Tree Bond

A tree bond of €1,500 (one thousand five hundred euros) shall be lodged with the Planning Authority to ensure the protection of the existing street tree in the grass margin during the course of the development works. The bond will only be refunded upon receipt by SDCC Public Realm Section of a satisfactory post-construction arboricultural assessment, carried out by a qualified arborist. This will involve an assessment of whether the tree specified for retention have been preserved in its prior condition and has suffered no damage and the developer has complied with the requirements of the Planning Authority in relation to tree protection. **CONDITION**

REASON: In the interest of the proper planning and sustainable development of the area, street-tree protection, and the maintenance of the county's green infrastructure in accordance with policy G2 Objective 9, G4 Objective 5, G2 Objective 13, G6 Objective 1, HCL15 Objective 3 of the CDP 2016-2022.

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