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



Planning Ref: SD22A/0045 (Please quote in all related correspondence)

21st March 2022

Director of Services – Planning South Dublin County Council County Hall Tallaght D24 A3XC

Via email: planningdept@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: Construction of 6 three bedroom dwelling houses and associated works at St. Finians Way, Main Street, Newcastle, Dublin

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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

It is noted that the proposed development is located within the zone of notification associated with DU020-003008- Class: Settlement deserted – medieval and in close proximity to DU020-003006- Class: Castle - tower house, both of which are subject to statutory protection in the Record of Monuments and Places, established under section 12 of the National Monuments (Amendment) Act 1994. Given the location of the proposed development it could impact on subsurface archaeological remains.

In line with national policy, see Section 3.6 of the Frameworks and Principles for the Protection of the Archaeological Heritage 1999, the Department recommends that an Archaeological Impact Assessment, as outlined below, should be prepared to assess any impact on archaeological remains within the proposed development site. This assessment should be submitted as Further Information. This will enable the Planning

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Authority and this Department to prepare an appropriate archaeological recommendation before a planning decision is taken.

Archaeological Investigations:

- 1. The applicant is required to engage the services of a suitably qualified archaeologist to carry out an archaeological assessment of the development site. No sub-surface developmental work, including geotechnical test pits, should be undertaken until the archaeological assessment has been completed and commented on by this office.
- 2. The archaeologist shall carry out any relevant documentary research and inspect the development site. As part of the assessment a programme of test excavation shall be carried out at locations chosen by the archaeologist (licensed under the National Monuments Acts 1930-2004), having consulted the site drawings and the National Monuments Service.
- 3. Having completed the work, the archaeologist shall submit a written report stating their recommendations to the Planning Authority and to the National Monuments Service. Where archaeological material/features are shown to be present, preservation in situ, preservation by record (excavation) or monitoring may be required.

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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