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**Correspondence Name and Address:** Carol Forbes 38, Larkfield Avenue, Harolds Cross,

Dublin, 6W

**Proposed Development:** Conversion of existing attic space comprising of

modification of existing roof structure, new access stairs, 2 roof window to the front and 2 roof windows to the rear within a Strategic Development Zone.

**Location:** 10, Shackleton Square, Shackleton, Lucan, Co.

Dublin

**Applicant Name:** Kristina Trufanova & Ilya Trufanov

**Application Type:** SDZ Application

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## **Description of Site and Surroundings**

Site Area: stated as 0.016601 Hectares on the application.

### **Site Description**

The subject site is located on Shackleton Square in Lucan within the Adamstown Strategic Development Zone (SDZ). The site consists of a terraced two storey dwelling. The streetscape consists of housing of a similar form and character.

### **Proposal**

Permission is being sought for the conversion of existing attic space comprising of modification of existing roof structure, new access stairs, 2 roof window to the front and 2 roof windows to the rear within a Strategic Development Zone.

#### **Zoning**

The subject site is located within the Adamstown SDZ, which is subject to zoning objective 'SDZ': 'To provide for strategic development in accordance with approved planning schemes' under the South Dublin County Development Plan 2016-2022.

#### **Consultations**

Water Services – no objection subject to conditions.

SEA Sensitivity Screening – no overlap indicated.

### **Submissions/Observations/Representations**

None received.

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### **Relevant Planning History**

Subject site

SDZ18A/0002

Permission for development of 268 dwellings. Permission granted.

### **Relevant Enforcement History**

None recorded for the subject site according to APAS.

#### **Pre-Planning Consultation**

None recorded for the subject site according to APAS.

### Relevant Policy in South Dublin County Council Development Plan 2016 – 2022

Section 1.7.2 Metropolitan Consolidation Towns

Policy CS2 Metropolitan Consolidation Towns

It is the policy of the Council to support the sustainable long term growth of Metropolitan Consolidation Towns through consolidation and urban expansion. CS2 Objective 1:

To promote and facilitate urban expansion on designated Strategic Development Zone sites at Adamstown and Clonburris, in tandem with the delivery of high capacity public transport services and subject to an approved Planning Scheme.

Section 1.10.0 Strategic Development Zones

Policy CS7 Strategic Development Zones

It is the policy of the Council to continue to implement the approved Planning Schemes for Adamstown SDZ and to secure the implementation of an approved Planning Scheme for the Clonburris SDZ.

#### Section 2.4.1 Residential Extensions

Policy H18 Residential Extensions

It is the policy of the Council to support the extension of existing dwellings subject to the protection of residential and visual amenities.

Policy H18 Objective 1:

To favourably consider proposals to extend existing dwellings subject to the protection of residential and visual amenities and compliance with the standards set out in Chapter 11 Implementation and the guidance set out in the South Dublin County Council House Extension Design Guide, 2010 (or any superseding guidelines).

Section 11.3.1 Residential

Section 11.3.1 (iv) Dwelling Standards

Section 11.3.1 (v) Privacy

Section 11.3.3 Additional Accommodation

Section 11.3.3 (i) Extensions

Section 11.4.2 Car Parking Standards

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*Table 11.24 Maximum Parking Rates (Residential Development)* 

Section 11.4.4 Car Parking Design and Layout

Section 11.7.2 Energy Performance in New Buildings

Section 11.8.1 Environmental Impact Assessment

Section 11.8.2 Appropriate Assessment

### South Dublin County Council House Extension Design Guide (2010)

The House Extension design guide contains the following guidance on house extensions, including attic conversions.

Elements of Good Extension Design

- Respect the appearance and character of the house and local area;
- Provide comfortable internal space and useful outside space;
- Do not overlook, overshadow or have an overbearing affect on properties next door;
- Consider the type of extension that is appropriate and how to integrate it; and
- Incorporate energy efficient measures where possible.

#### Attic conversions and dormer windows:

- Use materials to match the existing wall or roof materials of the main house.
- Meet Building Regulation requirements relating to fire safety and stairs in terms of headroom on stairs and means of escape.

### Adamstown Strategic Development Zone Planning Scheme 2014 (amended 2020)

2.0 Proposals for Development

3.0 Development and Amenity Areas

Development Area Tobermaclugg Village

4.0 Phasing and Implementation

### **Relevant Government Guidelines**

Project Ireland 2040 National Planning Framework, Government of Ireland, (2018). Regional Spatial & Economic Strategy 2019 - 2031, Eastern & Midlands Regional Assembly, (2019).

Section 5 – Dublin Metropolitan Area Strategic Plan, in Regional Spatial and Economic Strategy 2019 – 2031.

Sustainable Residential Development in Urban Areas - Guidelines for Planning Authorities, Department of the Environment, Heritage and Local Government (2009).

Urban Design Manual: A Best Practice Guide, A Companion Document to the Guidelines for Planning Authorities on Sustainable Residential Development in Urban Areas, Department of the Environment, Heritage and Local Government, (2009).

Quality Housing for Sustainable Communities-Best Practice Guidelines, Department of the Environment, Heritage and Local Government, (2007).

Appropriate Assessment of Plans and Projects in Ireland – Guidance for Planning Authorities, Department of the Environment, Heritage and Local Government, (2009).

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*OPR Practice Note PN01 Appropriate Assessment Screening for Development Management (March 2021).* 

### Assessment

The main issues for assessment relate to:

- Zoning and Council Policy;
- Visual and Residential Amenity;
- Services and Drainage;
- Environmental Impact Assessment; and
- Appropriate Assessment.

#### **Zoning and Council Policy**

The subject site is located within the Adamstown SDZ, which is subject to zoning objective 'SDZ': 'To provide for strategic development in accordance with approved planning schemes' under the County Development Plan.

Under the Adamstown SDZ Planning Scheme 'Residential' development is Permitted in Principle within 'Development Areas'. The site is located within the Tobermaclugg Village Development Area and consists of an existing permitted dwelling. The proposed development is for an attic conversion and rooflights. It is therefore considered to be generally in compliance with the SDZ Planning Scheme.

### Visual and Residential Amenity

The proposed development would involve the conversion of existing attic space with new access stairs and rooflights. The attic conversion would have a floor to ceiling height of approx. 2.5 m in the middle (ceiling slopes at sides due to pitched roof). The external amendments are restricted to 2 rooflights on both the front and rear roof slopes.

The proposed development is considered to be minor in nature and would comply with the South Dublin County Council House Extension Design Guide (2010). It would have an acceptable impact in terms of residential and visual amenity.

## Services and Drainage

Water Services has reviewed the proposed development and has no objection subject to standard conditions. This report is noted and should be conditioned as such.

### Screening for Environmental Impact Assessment

Having regard to the modest nature of the proposed development, and the distance of the site from nearby sensitive receptors, there is no likelihood of significant effects on the environment arising from the proposed development. The need for environmental impact assessment can, therefore, be excluded at preliminary examination and a screening determination is not required.

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The applicant has not provided information to assist the screening for Appropriate Assessment. The subject site is not located within nor within close proximity to a European site. The proposed development is located within an established residential area and comprises of an attic conversion and rooflights.

### Having regard to:

- the small scale and domestic nature of the development,
- the location of the development in a serviced urban area, and
- the consequent absence of a pathway to the European site,

it is considered that the proposed development would not be likely to have a significant effect individually, or in-combination with other plans and projects, on the Natura 2000 network and appropriate assessment is not therefore required.

### **Development Contributions**

No previous extensions Proposed extension 39.98sq.m Assessable area = Nil

### **SEA** monitoring

Building Use Type Proposed: Residential

Floor Area: 39.98sq.m

Land Type: Brownfield/Urban Consolidation.

Site Area: 0.016601 Hectares.

## Conclusion

Having regard to the:

- provisions of the South Dublin County Development Plan 2016-2022, South Dublin County Council House Extension Design Guide (2010) and Adamstown Strategic Development Zone Planning Scheme 2014 (amended 2020),
- the established character of the area, and
- the nature and scale of the proposed development,

it is considered that, subject to compliance with the conditions set out below, the proposed development would be in compliance with Council policy in relation to extensions to dwelling houses and the Adamstown SDZ Planning Scheme, would not seriously injure the amenities of the area or of property in the vicinity and would, therefore, be in accordance with the proper planning and sustainable development of the area.

#### Recommendation

I recommend that a decision be made pursuant to the Planning & Development Acts 2000 (as amended), for the reasons set out in the First Schedule hereto, to Grant

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Permission for the said development in accordance with the said plans and particulars, subject to the condition(s) specified in the Second Schedule hereto, the reasons for the imposition of the said condition(s) being as set out in the said Second Schedule.

### FIRST SCHEDULE

It is considered that the proposed development accords with the policies and objectives of South Dublin County Council, as set out in the South Dublin County Council Development Plan 2016 - 2022 and Adamstown Strategic Development Zone Planning Scheme (as amended), and subject to the conditions set out hereunder in the Second Schedule is hereby in accordance with the proper planning and sustainable development of the area.

#### SECOND SCHEDULE

#### **Conditions and Reasons**

1. Development in accordance with submitted plans and details.

The development shall be carried out and completed in its entirety fully in accordance with the plans, particulars and specifications lodged with the application, save as may be required by the other conditions attached hereto.

REASON: To ensure that the development shall be in accordance with the permission and that effective control be maintained.

#### 2. (a) External Finishes.

All external finishes shall harmonise in colour or texture that is complementary to the house or its context.

REASON: In the interest of visual amenity.

#### (b) Restriction on Use.

The house and the proposed extension shall be jointly used as a single dwelling unit for residential purposes and shall not be sub-divided or used for any commercial purposes, and the extension shall not be sold, let (including short-term letting), leased or otherwise transferred or conveyed, by way of sale, letting or otherwise save as part of the single dwelling unit.

REASON: To prevent unauthorised development.

- (c) Drainage
- (i) The water supply and drainage infrastructure, shall comply with the requirements of Irish Water.
- (ii) There shall be complete separation of the foul and surface water drainage systems, both in respect of installation and use. All new precast surface water manholes shall have a minimum thickness surround of 150mm Concrete Class B.
- (iii) All drainage works for this development shall comply fully with the Greater Dublin Regional Code of Practice for Drainage Works and Building Regulations -

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Technical guidance document- Part H Drainage and Wastewater disposal. REASON: In the interests of public health, the proper planning and sustainable development of the area and in order to ensure adequate water supply and drainage provision.

#### (d) Minimise Air Blown Dust.

During the construction and or demolition phase of the development, Best Practicable Means shall be employed to minimise air blown dust being emitted from the site. This shall include covering skips and slack-heaps, netting of scaffolding, daily washing down of pavements or other public areas, and any other precautions necessary to prevent dust nuisances. The applicant/developer shall comply with British Standard B.S. 5228 Noise Control on Construction and Open sites and British Standard B.S. 6187 Code of Practice for demolition.

REASON: In the interest of public health and to uphold the Council's policies set out in the South Dublin County Council Development Plan.

#### (e) Construction Noise and Hours.

To control, limit and prevent the generation of unacceptable levels of Environmental Noise Pollution from occurring during construction activity, Equipment or Machinery (to include pneumatic drills, on-site construction vehicles, generators, etc.) that could give rise to unacceptable levels of noise pollution as set out generally for evening and night-time in S.I. No. 140/2006 - Environmental Noise Regulations 2006 shall only be operated on the site between 7.00 hours and 19.00 hours weekdays and between 9.00 hours and 13.00 hours on Saturdays. No works shall take place at any time on Sundays, Bank Holidays or Public Holidays.

Any construction work outside these hours that could give rise to unacceptable levels of noise pollution shall only be permitted following a written request to the Planning Authority and the subsequent receipt of the written consent of the Planning Authority, having regard to the reasonable justification and circumstances and a commitment to minimise as far as practicable any unacceptable noise outside the hours stated above. In this respect, the applicant or developer shall also comply with BS 5228:2009 Noise and Vibration Control on Construction and Open Sites, and have regard to the World Health Organisation (WHO) – Guidelines for Community Noise (1999).

The applicant or developer shall also endeavour to engage in local consultation in respect of any noise sensitive location within 30 metres of the development as approved prior to construction activity commencing on site. Such noise sensitive locations should be provided with the following:

- Schedule of works to include approximate timeframes
- Name and contact details of contractor responsible for managing noise complaints
- Hours of operation- including any scheduled times for the use of equipment likely to be the source of significant noise.

REASON: In the interest of public health by the prevention of unacceptable levels of noise pollution which could interfere with normal sleep and rest patterns and/or when people could reasonably expect a level of quietness, the proper planning and sustainable development of the area and to uphold the Council's amenity policies set

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out in the South Dublin County Council Development Plan.

NOTE: The applicant is advised that under the provisions of Section 34 (13) of the Planning and Development Act 2000 (as amended) a person shall not be entitled solely by reason of a permission to carry out any development.

NOTE: The applicant or developer should ensure that all necessary measures shall be taken by the contractor to prevent the spillage or deposit of clay, rubble or other debris on adjoining roads during the course of the works and to ensure that any such instances arising are remedied immediately.

NOTE: The applicant is advised that, in order to use the attic conversion as a habitable room, it must comply with the Building Regulations.

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REG. REF. SD22B/0049 LOCATION: 10, Shackleton Square, Shackleton, Lucan, Co. Dublin

Colm Harte,

Senior Executive Planner

ORDER:

A decision pursuant to Section 34(1) of the Planning & Development Act 2000 (as amended) to Grant Permission for the reasons set out in the First Schedule above, in accordance with the said plans and particulars, subject to the condition(s) specified in the Second Schedule above, the reasons for the imposition of the said condition(s) being as set out in the said Second Schedule is hereby made.

As this proposal is in the Adamstown Strategic Development Zone, in accordance with Section 170 (4) of the Planning & Development Act 2000 (as amended), a Grant of Permission is hereby given on this day.

Dated:

Eoin Burke, Senior Planner