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Reg. Reference: SD22B/0130 **Application Date:** 28-Mar-2022 **Submission Type:** New Application **Registration Date:** 28-Mar-2022

Correspondence Name and Address: Chris McCreevey 2, Birchview Rise, Dublin 24

Proposed Development: Construction of a single storey ground floor front

extension (9.4sq.m) including porch; extend living

room and all associated site works.

Location: 2, Birchview Rise, Dublin 24

Applicant Name: Chris McCreevey

Application Type: Permission

(NM)

Description of Site and Surroundings:

Site Area: Stated as 0.0225ha

Site Visit: 2/5/2022

Site Description

The application is situated in Birchview Rise which is a residential estate close to the Greenhills Road. The property is a two-storey, semi-detached dwelling with a pitched roof and off-street parking to the front. The area is primarily residential in nature with a relatively uniform building line.

Proposal

Seeking permission for

- Construction of a single storey ground floor front extension including porch; extend living room and all associated site works.
- Total area of proposed development 9.4sq.m

Zoning

The subject site is subject to zoning objective 'RES' - 'To protect and / or improve Residential Amenity'.

Consultations

Water Services – No objection subject to standard conditions.

Irish Water – No objection subject to standard conditions.

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SEA Sensitivity Screening

No overlaps indicated.

Submissions/Observations/Representations

None received.

Recent Relevant Planning History

Subject

S99A/0931 – **Permission Granted** for three-bedroom, two-storey, semi-detached dwelling house, with single-storey extension to rear, beside existing house.

S99A/0486 – **Permission Refused** for three bedroom, two storey, detached dwelling house on corner site.

Adjacent Sites

SD19B/0374 - 2 Birchview Close, Kilnamanagh, Dublin 24 – **Retention Granted** for retention of existing bay window and extended porch to front of property.

SD19B/0238 - 9, Birchview Court, Kilnamanagh, Dublin 24. – **Permission Granted** for construction of new single storey extension with hipped roof to front to include porch; garage conversion to the side with new hipped roof to include wc, pantry & utility areas and associated site works.

SD12B/0178 - 7, Birchview Heights, Dublin 24 – **Permission Granted** for single storey extension to front porch and living room.

SD03B/0344 - 25, Birchview Drive, Kilnamanagh, Dublin 24 – **Permission Granted** for porch and canopy to front elevation.

Recent Relevant Enforcement History

No recent relevant enforcement history recorded for subject site.

Pre-Planning Consultation

None recorded for subject site.

Relevant Policy in South Dublin County Council Development Plan 2016 - 2022

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.

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Policy H18 Objective 2:

 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 11.2.7 Building Height

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

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 11.8.2 Appropriate Assessment

The design of residential extensions should accord with the South Dublin County Council House Extension Guide (2010) or any superseding standards.

Front extensions

- Keep the extension simple and complementary to the style of the house by reflecting the style and details of the main house, e.g. window location, shape, type, proportion and sill details.
- Reflect the roof shape and slope of the main house.
- Match or complement the materials used in the main house.
- Try to maintain a minimum driveway length of 6m.
- Avoid extensions that are dominant or overlarge in relation to the scale and appearance of the house.
- Avoid building an extension more than 1.5m in front of the existing front wall of the house if there is a regular building line along the street.

Relevant Government Guidelines

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

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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).

Project Ireland 2040 National Planning Framework, Government of Ireland (2018).

Assessment

The main issues for assessment relate to:

- Zoning and Council policy,
- Residential and visual amenity
- Services and drainage
- Appropriate Assessment
- Environmental Impact Assessment (EIAR)

Zoning and Council Policy

A single storey extension to the front of an existing dwelling would be consistent in principle with zoning objective 'RES' and would generally be in compliance with Council policy in relation to extensions to dwelling houses, as set out in South Dublin County Council House Extension Design Guide (2010), and in the Development Plan.

Residential and Visual Amenity

Residential

The proposed single storey development will extend 2m in depth from the front (southeastern) elevation leaving approximately 7.3m of driveway space. The projection of 2m is considered excessive having regard to residential amenity of flanking dwellings and to the 1.5m limit in the South Dublin County Council House Extension Guide. A **condition** should apply restricting the depth to a maximum of 1.5m.

Visual

The existing dwelling and the majority of those in the immediate vicinity have brick clad façade on the ground floor element and pebble dashed render on the first floor. The proposed ground floor extension will be brick clad which is appropriate with a predominately lean to roof turning to a pitched roof over the main entrance. The materials proposed are sympathetic to the existing dwelling and is therefore considered proper planning and sustainable development. The proposed development is considered appropriate and would not seriously injure the visual amenity of the area.

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Water Services Drainage

Both reports from Water Services and Irish Water had no objection subject to conditions which shall be applied in the event of a grant of permission.

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 a front single storey extension.

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.

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 real 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.

Development Contributions Assessment Overall Quantum

Front Extension: 9.4sq.m
Previous Extensions 26.32sq.m
Assessable Area: 0sq.m

SEA Monitoring Information

Building Use Type Proposed: Residential- Extension

Floor Area: 9.4sq.m

Land Type: Brownfield/Urban Consolidation.

Site Area: 0.0225ha

Conclusion

Having regard to the provisions of the South Dublin County Council Development Plan, the South Dublin County Council House Extension Design Guide (2010), the location of the site and the established pattern of development in the area, the overall design and scale of the development proposed, it is considered that, subject to the conditions set out below, the proposed development would not seriously injure the amenities of the area or of property in the vicinity

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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 Act 2000, as amended, for the reasons set out in the First Schedule hereto, to Grant 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 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.
 - (a) 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.
 - (b) The maximum depth of the front extension from the existing front building line of the dwelling shall be 1.5m. Prior to the commencement of development revised drawings shall be submitted to the Planning Authority and such details shall be fully implemented on site.

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

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dwelling unit.

REASON: To prevent unauthorised development.

- (c) Drainage Irish Water.
- (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.

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

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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 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: Adequate provision should be made to facilitate access to and the use of the development, buildings, facilities and services by disabled persons, including sanitary conveniences. The minimum requirements should be as per Part M of the Building Regulations.

NOTE: The applicant/developer of these lands is advised that in the event of encroachment or oversailing of adjoining property, the consent of the adjoining property owner is required.

NOTE: Notwithstanding any grant of planning permission; if an applicant requires permission to access local authority land (e.g. public footpaths, public open space or roadways) in order to access utilities, or for any other reason; the applicant should apply via https://maproadroadworkslicensing.ie/MRL/ for a licence from the Local Authority to carry out those works.

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REG. REF. SD22B/0130 LOCATION: 2, Birchview Rise, Dublin 24

Jim Johnston,

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.

Date

Eoin Burke, Senior Planner