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Reg. Reference: SD22B/0205 **Application Date:** 12-May-2022 **Submission Type:** New Application **Registration Date:** 12-May-2022

Correspondence Name and Address: Michael O'Connor 18, Lissadel Wood, Malahide, Co.

Dublin

Proposed Development: Conversion of attic to non-habitable storage use;

remodel of existing hip roof profile to 'Dutch' hip to the side; provision of dormer to the rear; rooflight to

the front roof and all associated site works.

Location: 137, Cherrywood Drive, Dublin 22

Applicant Name:Edel BradishApplication Type:Permission

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Description of Site and Surroundings:

Site Area: Stated as 0.162 Hectares.

Site Description:

The subject site is located in the established residential area of Cherrywood Drive and contains a semi-detached, two storey dwelling with hipped roof. The streetscape is characterised by properties of similar form and appearance and mainly uniform front and rear building lines.

Proposal:

The proposed development consists of the following:

- Alterations to existing hip roof to side to create 'Dutch' hip roof to allow conversion of attic into non-habitable (storage) with rear dormer extension and with rear window.
- Rooflight to front roof.

Zoning:

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

Consultations:

Surface Water Drainage – No objection. Irish Water – No objection.

SEA Sensitivity Screening

No overlap with relevant environmental layers.

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Submissions/Observations / Representations:

None.

Recent Relevant Planning History:

None for subject site.

Adjacent sites

SD20B/0293: 141, Cherrywood Drive, Dublin 22.

Conversion of existing attic to non-habitable storage use; remodel of existing hip roof profile to 'Dutch' hip to the side; provision of dormer to the rear; rooflight to the front roof; enlarge the ground floor window to the side and all associated site works.

Decision: GRANT PERMISSION.

SD22B/0086: 147, Cherrywood Drive, Clondalkin, Dublin 22.

Conversion of attic to non-habitable storage use; remodel of existing hip roof profile to 'Dutch' hip to the side; provision of dormer to rear; rooflight to the front and all associated site works.

Decision: GRANT PERMISSION.

Relevant Enforcement History:

None traced.

Pre-Planning Consultation:

No Pre-Planning consultation recorded.

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.

Policy H18 – Residential Extensions.

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(i) Additional Accommodation - Extensions.

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

The House Extension Design Guide, Section 4:

- Outside space
- Do not overlook, overshadow, or have an overbearing impact on neighbouring properties
- Rear extension

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

South Dublin County Council House Extension Design Guide (2010)

The House Extension design guide contains the following guidance on house extensions:

- Respect the appearance and character of the area;
- Provide comfortable internal space and useful outside space;
- Do not overlook, overshadow or have an overbearing impact on neighbouring properties;
- Conserve water and save energy where possible.

For 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;
 - Locate dormer windows below the ridge of the roof, even if the roof has a shallow pitch;
- Locate dormer windows as far back as possible from the eaves line (at least 3 tile courses);
- Relate dormer windows to the windows below in alignment, proportion and character;
- In the case of a dormer window extension to a hipped roof, ensure it sits below the ridgelines of the existing rood and matches the materials used in the main house.

Relevant Government Guidelines

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

Regional, Spatial & Economic Strategy 2019 - 2031, Eastern & Midlands Regional Assembly, 2019.

Sustainable Residential Development in Urban Areas - Guidelines for Planning Authorities, Department of the Environment, Heritage and Local Government (2008).

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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, (2008).

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

Assessment

The main issues for assessment relate to:

- Zoning and Council Policy,
- Residential and Visual Amenity
- Services and Drainage.
- Screening for Appropriate Assessment (AA)
- Screening for Environmental Impact Assessment (EIAR)

Zoning and Council Policy

The change in roof profile and an attic conversion is 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 & Visual Amenity

'Dutch' Hip

It is noted that the subject property is on a site within a scheme of predominant fully hipped roofs. Having regard to the proposed modification of the existing roof structure from a hipped roof to a 'Dutch' half hipped roof, it is considered in this instance that the proposal would not be visually prominent at this location and would visually accord with the character of the area. The proposed 'Dutch' hip would be clearly distinguishable from that of a full pitch gable and is not considered to be 'token' in design. The extension of the roof to a 'Dutch' hip will provide additional space for the proposed rear dormer to function.

Rear Dormer.

To the rear of the dwelling, a flat roofed dormer structure is proposed below the ridge of the existing dwelling and is set appropriately above the eaves of the existing dwelling. The dormer will span a width of c.3m and will project outwards from the roof by c. 3.5m. The dormer structure contains one proportionate windowpane. The dormer window would not adversely impact on the residential amenity of adjacent dwellings by way of overlooking. The proposal is consistent with the guidance set out in the South Dublin County Council House Extension Design Guide, 2010.

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Front roof light

The proposed rooflight in the front roof would not adversely impact on the visual and residential amenity of adjacent dwellings.

Services & Drainage

A brief report was received from Surface Water Drainage and Irish Water recommending no objection. An extract taken from Surface Water Drainage and Irish Water.

Doesn't affect the footprint of the house so no objection.

Notwithstanding the report from Surface Water Drainage and Irish Water it is considered appropriate to attach standard drainage **conditions** in the event of a grant.

Screening for Appropriate Assessment (AA)

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, dormer window and change of roof profile.

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.

Other Considerations

Development Contributions

- Attic Conversion / Dormer window measures 23. 4sq.m (non-habitable)
- Assessable Area is nil.

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SEA Monitoring Information	
Building Use Type Proposed	Floor Area (sq.)
Residential – alterations to roof profile and non-habitable attic conversion	23.4sq.m
Land Type	Site Area (Ha.)
Brownfield/Urban Consolidation	0.162

Conclusion

Having regard to the provisions of the South Dublin County Council Development Plan 2016-2022, the Planning Authority is satisfied that subject to conditions the development is consistent with the Development Plan provisions and the proper planning and sustainable development of the area and accordingly a grant of permission is recommended.

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.
 - 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.

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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 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,

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

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: Waste, arising from the site, must be kept to a minimum, segregated where appropriate, and disposed in accordance with the Waste Management Regulations 2007, as amended. Transport of such waste, must be by an authorised waste permit holder. Waste disposal records must be maintained and made available, for inspection by Authorised Persons appointed under the Waste Management Act 1996, as amended. A Waste Transfer Form shall accompany the transportation of all hazardous waste arising from the construction works.

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REG. REF. SD22B/0205 LOCATION: 137, Cherrywood Drive, Dublin 22

Sarah Watson, 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: 6 July 2022

Colm Harte,

Senior Executive Planner