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**NOTIFICATION OF DECISION TO GRANT PERMISSION & REFUSE RETENTION  
PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT ACT 2000 (as amended) and PLANNING  
REGULATIONS THEREUNDER.**

<b>Decision Order No:</b> 1051	<b>Date of Decision:</b> 16-Aug-2022
<b>Register Reference:</b> SD22B/0287	<b>Date:</b>

**Applicant:** Brian O'Malley

**Development:** Attic conversion for storage with two dormer windows to the rear. Three Velux windows to the front. Raised gable to the side.  
Retention for extra height of timber fence to the front and side. Single storey extension to the front. First floor extension to the side. New pergola structure to the rear.

**Location:** 55, Dodder Park Road, Rathfarnham, Dublin, D14 XE92

**Time extension(s) up to and including:**

In pursuance of its functions under the above mentioned Acts, the South Dublin County Council, being the Planning Authority for the County of South Dublin, did by Order dated as above make a **DECISION TO GRANT PERMISSION & REFUSE RETENTION** in respect of the above proposal, as detailed on the following pages.

A decision to **Grant Permission** for attic conversion for storage with two dormer windows to the rear. Three Velux windows to the front. Raised gable to the side. Single storey extension to the front. First floor extension to the side. New pergola structure to the rear subject to the Conditions and Reasons specified in Schedule 1.

## SCHEDULE 1

### **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. Height of Timber Fence  
The height of the timber fence to the front of the property (south and east) shall have a maximum height of 1.2m.  
REASON: In the interest of visual and residential amenity of the area.
3. Sustainable Urban Drainage Systems (SuDS)  
Prior to the commencement of development, the applicant shall submit a drawing in plan and cross sectional views clearly showing proposed Sustainable Drainage Systems (SuDS) features for the development, for the written agreement of the Planning Authority. The applicant shall include SuDS (Sustainable urban Drainage Systems) features for the proposed development such as but not limited to the following:
  - Rain Gardens , Planter boxes with overflow connection to the public surface water sewer.
  - Permeable Paving
  - Grasscrete
  - Green Roofs,
  - Rain gardens
  - Swales
  - Permeable Paving
  - Grasscrete
  - Channel Rills
  - Planter Boxes water butts
  - Other such SuDSThe applicant should reference the SDCC Sustainable Drainage Explanatory Design & Evaluation Guide prior to submission.  
REASON: To ensure the adequate provision of SuDS
4. Drainage - Surface Water.  
The disposal of surface water, shall fully comply with all of the technical requirements of the Council's Water Services Section. In this regard, prior to the commencement of development, the applicant/developer shall submit the following for the written agreement of the Planning Authority:
  - (a) Fully detailed foul and surface water drainage plans for the proposed development as approved showing location of all manholes, AJs etc located within the site boundary up to and including point of connection to the public sewer that fully accords with the requirements Council's Water Services Section and or Irish Water,

(b) 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.

(c) All drainage works for this development shall comply fully with the Greater Dublin Regional Code of Practice for Drainage Works.

(d) The soakaway design to be submitted shall be certified to BRE Digest 365 standard by a suitably qualified person carrying professional indemnity insurance and shall include documented evidence of infiltration test results to demonstrate that the soakaway complies with the requirements of BRE Digest 365.

The revised plans shall provide for a soakaway to be located within the curtilage of the property and this shall be:

(i) at least 5m from any buildings, public sewers or structures and not in such a position that the ground below foundations is likely to be adversely affected.

(ii) at least 5m from the nearest road boundary and not within 3m of the boundary of the adjoining site.

(iii) a minimum of 10m from any sewage treatment percolation area.

(iv) at least 10m from any stream / river / flood plain.

In addition only rainwater shall be discharged to soakaways.

REASON: In the interests of public health, safety, the proper planning and sustainable development of the area and in order to ensure adequate and appropriate surface water drainage provision.

#### 5. Pergola Roof

Prior to the commencement of development the applicant, owner or developer shall submit the following for the written agreement of the Planning Authority:

- Written confirmation of the proposed materials to be used for the roof of the pergola.

REASON: To protect the amenities of the area and in the interests of the proper planning and sustainable development of the area.

#### 6. (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 - 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 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.

## 7. Financial Contribution.

The developer shall pay to the Planning Authority a financial contribution of €2,775.25 (two thousand seven hundred and seventy five euros and twenty five cents), in respect of public infrastructure and facilities benefiting development within the area of the Planning Authority, that is provided, or intended to be provided by or on behalf of the authority, in accordance with the terms of the Development Contribution Scheme 2021 - 2025, made under Section 48 of the Planning and Development Acts 2000-2011 (as amended).

The contributions under the Scheme shall be payable prior to commencement of development or as otherwise agreed in writing by the Council. Contributions due in respect of permission for retention will become payable immediately on issue of the final grant of permission. Contributions shall be payable at the index adjusted rate pertaining to the year in which implementation of the planning permission is commenced.

REASON: The provision of such facilities will facilitate the proposed development. It is considered reasonable that the payment of a contribution be required, in respect of public infrastructure and facilities benefiting development in the area of the Planning Authority and that is provided, or that is intended will be provided, by or on behalf of the Local Authority.

NOTE RE: CONDITION - Please note that with effect from 1st January 2014, Irish Water is now the statutory body responsible for water services. Further details/clarification can be obtained from Irish Water at Tel. 01 6021000 or by emailing [customerservice@water.ie](mailto:customerservice@water.ie).

1. 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.

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

A decision to **Refuse Permission** for Retention for extra height of timber fence to the front and side for the Reason(s) specified in Schedule 2.

## SCHEDULE 2

### Reasons

2. The timber fence subject to retention at a height of 1.9m would be significantly out of character with the pattern of development in the area and would seriously injure the amenities of property in the vicinity. Thus the proposed development would contravene the South Dublin County Development Plan 2022 - 2028 zoning objective for the area which seeks 'to protect and/or improve residential amenity' and would not be in accordance with the proper planning and sustainable development of the area.

Please note that upon receipt of this document you are obliged to remove the planning site notice in compliance with Article 20 of the Planning and Development Regulations 2001 to 2006.

Please note that any valid submissions or observations received in accordance with the provisions of the Planning and Development Regulations 2001-2006, have been considered in the determination of this application.

Signed on behalf of the South Dublin County Council

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*for Senior Planner*            **19-Aug-2022**