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proposed development also consists of the

construction of a 3 and 4 storey building to the side

and rear of the existing building, which will

accommodate public house use at ground floor, retail / shop local use (c. 283m2) also at ground floor, with 11 no. apartments overhead. The proposed residential

accommodation is comprised of 5 no. 1 bed

apartments and 6 no. 2 bed apartments. The proposed development will be a modification to a previously permitted development under Ref.s SD19A/0287 & ABP-30603019, with access to the development via an existing / permitted vehicular entrance off the Greenhills Road. The proposed development Includes for all associated site development works, surface car parking, 6Icycle parking, communal open

space & landscaping, pedestrian access to the adjoining Temple Woods development, bin storage and the retention of an existing cellar (84.1m2) underneath the public house which will be used as storage associated with the proposed public house

use, all on a site area of 0.24ha.

The Cuckoo's Nest Public House, Greenhills Road,

Tallaght, Dublin 24.

Applicant Name: Brian Mulvaney

Application Type: Permission

Location:

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Description of Site and Surroundings:

Site Area:

Stated as 0.24 hectares.

Site Description:

The Cuckoo's Nest Public House is located on the Greenhills Road. A theatre is located directly north of the site, while the new residential estate of Temple Woods is located south and east of the site. The Cuckoo's Nest Public House is currently closed and no longer operating as a public house. Structures to the rear of the building have been partially demolished, as permitted under previous grant of permission Reg. Ref. SD16A/0157. The Kilnamanagh Family Recreation centre is located northwest of the site, while there are public lands to the south, east and northeast of the site, on both sides of the M50.

Site Visited: 10/08/2022

Proposal:

The extension and renovation of The Cuckoo's Nest public house as follows:

- retaining the original front part of the building and <u>re-establishing a public</u> <u>house/gastro pub use at ground & first floor level</u> (c.464m2).
- The proposed development also consists of the construction of a 3 and 4 storey building to the side and rear of the existing building, which will accommodate:
 - o public house use at ground floor,
 - o **retail / shop local use** (c. 283m2) also at ground floor,
 - o with **11 apartments** overhead.

The proposed residential accommodation is comprised of 5 no. 1 bed apartments and 6 no. 2 bed apartments.

The proposed development will be a <u>modification to a previously permitted development under Ref.s SD19A/0287 & ABP-30603019</u>, with access to the development via an existing / permitted vehicular entrance off the Greenhills Road.

The proposed development includes for all associated site development works, surface car parking, bicycle parking, communal open space & landscaping, pedestrian access to the adjoining Temple Woods development, bin storage and the retention of an existing cellar (84.1m2) underneath the public house which will be used as storage associated with the proposed public house use, all on a site area of 0.24ha.

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For clarity, the existing permission (SD19A/0287 & ABP-30603019) comprised:

Demolition of the rear and side extensions of the existing building but retaining the original front part of the building to accommodate a cafe (137sq.m) at ground floor level of the existing building & a 2 bed apartment overhead at first floor. The proposed development also provides for the construction of a 3 and 4 storey building to the side and rear of the existing building, accommodating 18 apartments.

Zoning:

The area is zoned Objective 'RES' – "To protect and/or improve residential amenity" in the South Dublin County Development Plan 2022 – 2028,

Consultations

SDCC Architectural Conservation Officer

Housing

Public Realm

Roads

No objection, subject to conditions.

Request Additional Information.

Requests Additional Information.

Requests Additional Information.

External

HSE Environmental Health Officer Requests Additional Information.
National Transport Authority No objection, subject to conditions.

SEA Sensitivity

No overlap with SEA layer indicated. However, the following Geological Site for Protection is located within 140m north/northeast of the application site boundary - *Greenhills Esker*, *Kilnamanagh*, *Tymon North* – *Large ridge comprising sand and gravel*.

Submissions/Observations / Representations

None.

Relevant Planning History

Subject Site

SD19A/0287 (ABP-30603019)

Permission **granted** by An Bord Pleanála (upholding a decision of SDCC) for demolition of the rear and side extensions of the existing building but retaining the original front part of the building to accommodate a cafe (137sq.m) at ground floor level of the existing building & a 2 bed apartment overhead at first floor. The proposed development also provides for the construction of a 3 and 4 storey building to the side and rear of the existing building, accommodating 18 apartments. The proposed residential accommodation consists of 19 apartments in total, comprised of 12 1-bed apartments and 7 2-bed apartments.

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The proposed development will be a modification to an extant permission under Ref SD16A/0157, with access to the development via an existing/permitted vehicular entrance off the Greenhills Road. The proposed development includes all associated site development works, surface car parking, bicycle parking, open space & landscaping, pedestrian access to the adjoining Temple Woods development, bin storage and the retention of an existing cellar (84.1sq.m) underneath the public house which will be used as a plant room for the proposed apartment building, all on a site area of 0.24ha.

SD19A/0028

The applicant **withdrew** this application for demolition of the remainder of the existing public house and in its place, the construction of a 4 storey apartment building accommodating 26 apartments, comprised of 11 one bed apartments and 15 two bed apartments. The proposed development will be a modification to an extant permission under Ref. SD16A/0157, with access to the development via an existing/permitted vehicular entrance off the Greenhills Road; all associated site development works; surface car parking; open spaces & landscaping; pedestrian access to the adjoining Temple Woods development, bin storage and the retention of an existing cellar (84.1sq.m) underneath the public house which will be used as a plant room for the proposed apartment building, all on a site area of 0.24ha.

The applicant withdrew the permission prior to a decision being issued by South Dublin County Council. In that instance, internal consultee reports recommended the following:

- Environmental Services Department: Water and Drainage Design
 - Surface Water No objection subject to conditions
 - o Flood Risk No objection subject to conditions
- Irish Water
 - o Foul Drainage No objection subject to conditions
 - Water No objection subject to conditions
- Roads Section Request Additional Information
- Public Realm Department (Parks and Landscaping Services) Request Additional Information Architectural Conservation Officer Recommend Refusal
- *Heritage Officer* Recommend Refusal
- Public Lighting No Response
- H.S.E. Environmental Health Officer No objection subject to conditions
- Housing Strategy Unit No objection subject to conditions

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SD16A/0157

A mixed-use and residential development on a site is bounded by Greenhills Road to the front (west) and Tymon Park to the north, south and east. The proposed development consists of the demolition of the existing Tallaght Theatre corner (328sq.m) and the construction of a replacement theatre (371sq.m) in the north-west corner of site. Permission is also sought for the renovation and alteration to the existing Cuckoo's Nest public house consisting of: (i) the demolition of rear and side extensions and (ii) proposed new two storey extension which will provide for bar and lounge and external courtyard with seating all at ground floor level, restaurant at first floor, ancillary kitchens and office, with total floor area of 1,016sq.m. The proposed development also provides for residential development comprised of 45 dwellings including 20 three bed, two storey semi-detached houses, 19 three bed two storey terraced houses and 6 two bed apartments in a three storey building. The proposed development will be accessed via two vehicular access points off Greenhills Road and includes for all associated site development works, surface car parking, open spaces & landscaping, including pedestrian access to Tymon Park, all on site area of 1.83ha.

Decision: Grant Permission subject to conditions.

SD13A/0083

Construction of an adventure centre consisting of a series of high and low ropes courses utilising refurbished shipping containers as part of course and 4 timber poles supporting the safety lines; a zip line ('Flying Fox Run') entered from the top of the vertical shipping container and running between 4 timber poles existing at ground level to the southwest of the site; 2 timber poles for the installation of a 'Leap of Faith' activity; site fencing and all other associated site works.

Decision: Grant Permission subject to conditions.

SD10A/0326

24 metres multi user monopole carrying associated telecommunications equipment, associated cabins, located within an enclosed compound for mobile telecommunications purposes at Cuckoo's Nest, Greenhills Road, Tallaght, Dublin 24. The development will form part of Vodafone Ireland Ltd.'s existing GSM and 3G Broadband telecommunications network.

Decision: Refuse Permission.

Relevant Enforcement History

None found.

Pre-Planning Consultation

PP007/22 refers.

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Relevant Policy

National Policy

The relevant policy documents are detailed below. The Planning Authority are of the opinion that of most significant relevance is the National Planning Framework (NPF). In this regard, National Strategic Outcome 1 of the NPF refers to and, stresses the importance, of 'Compact Growth'. The NPF states,

'From an urban development perspective, we will need to deliver a greater proportion of residential development within existing built-up areas of our cities, towns and villages and ensuring that, when it comes to choosing a home, there are viable attractive alternatives available to people.'

The NPF indicated that the delivery of compact growth will be through National Policy Objective 2a, which states,

'A target of half (50%) of future population and employment growth will be focused in the existing five Cities and their suburbs.'

and National Policy Objective 3a, which states,

'Deliver at least 40% of all new homes nationally, within the built-up footprint of existing settlements.'

The National Planning Framework also includes a specific Chapter, No. 6, entitled 'People, Homes and Communities'. It includes 12 objectives among which Objective 27 seeks to ensure the integration of safe and convenient alternatives to the car into the design of our communities, by prioritising walking and cycling accessibility to both existing and proposed developments and integrating physical activity facilities for all ages. Objective 33 seeks to prioritise the provision of new homes at locations that can support sustainable development and at an appropriate scale of provision relative to location.

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Other Ministerial Guidelines and Policy

Regional, Spatial & Economic Strategy 2020-2032 (RSES), Eastern & Midlands Regional Assembly (2019)

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

Rebuilding Ireland: Action Plan for Housing and Homelessness, Government of Ireland (2016).

Sustainable Urban Housing: Design Standards for New Apartments – Guidelines for Planning Authorities, Department of Housing, Planning and Local Government (2020).

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

Urban Design Manual, Department of the Environment, Heritage and Local Government, (2008).

Urban Development and Building Heights Guidelines for Planning Authorities, (2018)

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

Design Manual for Urban Roads and Streets Department of the Environment, Community and Local Government and Department of Transport, Tourism and Sport (2013).

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

The Planning System and Flood Risk Management - Guidelines for Planning Authorities, Department of the Environment, Heritage and Local Government & OPW, (2009).

Circular Letter NRUP 03/2021 – s.28 Guidelines on the Regulation of Institutional Investment in Housing

Relevant Policy in South Dublin County Development Plan 2022 – 2028

Chapter 2 Core Strategy and Settlement Strategy

Policy CS1 Strategic Development Areas

Section 2.6 Total Land Capacity within Strategic Development Areas

Table 2.8 Total Land Capacity within Strategic Development Areas

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Table 2.9 Capacity of undeveloped lands within South Dublin

Policy CS5 Lands for Employment

Section 2.7 Settlement Strategy

Policy CS6 Settlement Strategies – Strategic Planning Principles

Section 2.7.1 Dublin City and Suburbs

Section 2.7.1: Tallaght

Policy CS7 Promote the consolidation and sustainable intensification of development within the Dublin City and Suburban settlement boundary.

Chapter 3 Natural, Cultural and Built Heritage

Policy NCBH1 Overarching

Policy NCBH2 Biodiversity

Policy NCBH5 Protection of habitats and species outside of designated areas.

Policy NCBH21 Vernacular / Traditional and Older Buildings, Estates

and Streetscapes

Policy NCBH23 Architectural Conservation and Design

Policy NCBH24 Adapting and Reusing Old Buildings

Policy NCBH25 Placemaking and the Historic Built Environment

Chapter 4 Green Infrastructure

Policy GI1 Overarching

GI1 Objective 4

To require development to incorporate GI as an integral part of the design and layout concept for all development in the County including but not restricted to residential, commercial and mixed use through the explicit identification of GI as part of a landscape plan, identifying environmental assets and including proposals which protect, manage and enhance GI resources providing links to local and countywide GI networks.

Policy GI2 Biodiversity

Strengthen the existing Green Infrastructure (GI) network and ensure all new developments contribute towards GI, in order to protect and enhance biodiversity across the County as part of South Dublin County Council's commitment to the National Biodiversity Action Plan 2021-2025 and the South Dublin County Council Biodiversity Action Plan, 2020-2026, the National Planning Framework (NPF) and the Eastern and Midlands Region Spatial and Economic Strategy (RSES).

Policy GI4 Sustainable Drainage Systems

Require the provision of Sustainable Drainage Systems (SuDS) in the County and maximise the amenity and biodiversity value of these systems.

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GI4 Objective 3:

To require multifunctional open space provision within new developments to include provision for ecology and sustainable water management.

GI4 Objective 4:

To require that all SuDS measures are completed to a taking in charge standard.

Section 4.3.1 Components of the GI Network

Figure 4.4. Green Infrastructure Strategy Map

Chapter 5 Quality Design and Healthy Placemaking

Policy QDP1 Successful and Sustainable Neighbourhoods

Policy ODP2 Overarching – Successful and Sustainable Neighbourhoods

QDP2 Objective 1

Policy QDP3 Neighbourhood Context

Policy QDP4 Healthy Placemaking

Policy QDP5 Connected Neighbourhoods

Policy QDP6 Public Realm

Policy QDP7 High Quality Design

Policy QDP8 High Quality Design – Building Height and Density

Policy QDP8 Objective 2

Policy QDP9 High Quality Design - Building Height and Density

Policy QDP10 Mix of Dwelling Types

Chapter 6 Housing

Policy H1 Housing Strategy and Interim Housing Need and Demand Assessment

H1 Objective 12 (3-bedroom units)

Policy H7 Residential Design and Layout

Policy H8 Public Open Space

Policy H9 Private and Semi-Private Open Space

Policy H10 Internal Residential Accommodation

Chapter 7 Transport and Movement

Policy SM1 Overarching – Transport and Movement

Table 1 7.1 Cycle South Dublin Routes and Projects

Policy SM2 Walking and Cycling

Policy SM3 Public Transport – General

Policy SM3 Public Transport – Bus

Policy SM3 Public Transport – Rail, Transport Interchange and Park and Ride

Table 7.5 Six Year Road Plan

Policy SM5 Street and Road Design

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Policy SM6 Traffic and Transport Management Policy SM7 Car Parking and EV Charging

Chapter 8 Community Infrastructure & Open Space Policy COS5 Parks and Public Open Space — Overarching Section 8.7.3 Quantity of Public Open Space Policy COS7 Childcare Facilities

Chapter 10 Energy

Policy E3 Energy Performance in Existing and New Buildings

Policy E4 Electric Vehicles

Policy E5 Low Carbon District Heating Networks

Chapter 12 Implementation and Monitoring

Assessment

The main issues for consideration are:

- Zoning and Council Policy
- Architectural Conservation
- Quality Design and Healthy Placemaking
- Visual Impact
- Residential Amenity
- Green Infrastructure and Open Space
- Sustainable Movement
- Water Services and Drainage
- Social & Affordable Housing
- Refuse
- Environmental Health
- Appropriate Assessment
- Environmental Impact Assessment

Zoning and Council Policy

The area is zoned 'RES' – "To improve and/or protect residential amenity'. The 'residential' use is permitted in principle. The 'public house' use is open for consideration, and as per section 12.2.1 (ii) of the County Development Plan,

"Land uses that are listed as 'open for consideration' in the land use zoning tables may be acceptable to the Planning Authority subject to detailed assessment against the principles of proper planning and sustainable development, and the relevant policies, objectives and standards set out in [the County Development Plan].

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"Proposed uses in this category will be subject to full assessment on their own merits and particularly in relation to their impact on the development of the County at a strategic and a local level. Such uses may only be permitted where they do not materially conflict with other aspects of the County Development Plan."

It is noted that the former use of the Cuckoo's Nest building was as a public house. The building's ground floor was permitted for use as a café/restaurant under the previous permission (SD19A/0287). The Architectural Conservation Officer has welcomed the proposed re-use of the public house (see comments below).

The applicant has described the retail unit as 'shop – local'. As per the South Dublin County Development Plan 2022 – 2028 definitions (and similar definitions in the previous plan), the shop at 283 sqm is a 'shop – neighbourhood'. The 'shop – neighbourhood' use is open for consideration.

The provision of two 'open for consideration' uses is considered throughout this assessment in relation to the overall impact they would have at a positive level. It is considered that the provision of a public house and shop at this location would complement the relatively new residential development and community theatre at the site, creating in effect a small local centre. This is acceptable and the proposed uses are considered to be appropriate and in accordance with the proper planning and sustainable development of the area.

Architectural Conservation

The Architectural Conservation Officer has no objections subject to conditions. Her report states:

Appraisal

This is an application for the extension and renovation of the Cuckoo's Nest Public House and to re-establish a public house/gastro pub use at GF and FF. There have been previous applications relating to this site and under the initial planning permission granted under Reg. Ref. SD16A/0157, the existing Public House (The Cuckoo's Nest) was being retained as part of the residential development within the subject site. An application under SD19A/0028 was then submitted proposing to demolish the remainder of the existing Public House and construct a 4-storey apartment block in place of the existing 2-storey building. Under the current application it is proposed once again to retain the original public house building which is welcomed. Although the existing Public House is not listed on the Record of Protected Structures, Schedule 2, South Dublin County Development Plan 2022-2028, it is considered to be of historical and local cultural interest and thereby having regard to specific CDP policy for the retention of older buildings.

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It is considered that the existing Public House has become a local landmark feature and in an area which lacks architectural and visual character, the existing public house adds to the architectural and historical interest of the place, visual and streetscape setting, it is therefore considered that its retention and extension to allow its reuse as a public house will ensure its continued contribution. A Pre-Planning meeting was held on the 28th March 2022 under PP007/22. The undersigned provided comments on the new insertions and proposed works to the existing building and the new apartment development to the rear and side. The proposed development is more or less the same as the previously granted permission whereby the original public house is being retained for pub use and construction of a new apartment block and with shop unit at ground floor and apartments overhead at 1st and 3rd floors. The main issue raised at Pre-Planning was the proposed block be set-back from the building line of the existing building to allow the historic structure to be viewed and not overshadowed along the streetscape by the new proposed apartment block. The proposed design for the front terrace area located directly at the front site of the existing building was also raised. It was advised that this should be looked at as a raised platform and defined area at this location could cause a negative visual impact and therefore it was requested that this area be looked at. It was recommended that a more open plan outdoor area for customer use, would limit any visual impact.

It is proposed to construct a new extension to the rear of the existing building which will be in the form of a glazed link between the original building and the new apartment block to the rear. The rear new extension will accommodate public house/gastro pub use. As the public house use was the last active use and long-established use of the existing property it is considered that the re-establishment of the same is a sensitive and long-term use. The proposed new apartment block will sit at the side of the existing building and re-established Public House and will provide architectural definition and provide streetscape setting. The undersigned welcomes the sensitive adaptive reuse of the existing building allowing it to be retained as part of the continued development of the site along Greenhills Road, which currently lacks visual character and a strong building line along this section

It is considered that the proposed development is acceptable and allows the existing building to be retained and reused. The proposed development allows new development along the Greenhills Road, adding to the architectural interest and urban form, with the retention of the Public House which has become a landmark building which is of local historical importance.

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Recommendation

It is recommended that the following conditions be attached to a grant of permission:

- 1. It is considered that the proposed interventions and works within the existing building be carried out adhering to good conservation and in accordance with good conservation practice and principles ensuring minimal intervention and no damage or risk to the original built fabric. Those areas being affected by new opes or widening of new opes should be made good using the appropriate materials and methods. A Method Statement should be submitted detailed the works proposed to the existing building and should include any energy efficiency and upgrading works in line with CDP Climate Change Policies.
- 2. Safety measures should be put in place during the proposed works on site. A Safety Statement should be provided detailing how the original built fabric of the existing building will be protected during demolition of existing additional structures, site clearance/excavation and construction.
- 3. It is considered that details of the materials, finishes and planting in providing an overall improved design landscape within the site should be submitted for approval and agreement prior to the commencement of development.
- 4. A schedule of materials and finishes should be provided for the new elements being inserted into the existing building and the proposed new extension prior to commencing development. Although details of materials and finishes have been indicated there are elements which need to be confirmed ensuring the full and proper execution of these high-quality designed elements. This should include full details on materials and finishes for all elements of the proposed new extension and glazed link.
- 5. The proposed design for the front terrace area to the front of the existing building could be improved. The defined area at this location could cause a negative visual impact given its location to the front site of the historic structure. It was recommended that a more open plan area for customers with integrated planting and seating would limit any visual impact and allow the outdoor area to sit sensitively and improve the overall visual link along the streetscape.

The above Conditions should be submitted to the Council's Architectural Conservation Officer for written agreement and approval.

Planning Department's Assessment

The assessment and recommendations of the SDCC Architectural Conservation Officer are acceptable.

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Quality Design and Healthy Placemaking

The applicant should be requested to provide a Statement from a suitable qualified person detailing how 'the Plan Approach' has been incorporated into the design of the development, as per QDP2 Objective 1 of the Plan. This can be resolved by way of **additional information**.

One aspect of the design which is a concern is the treatment of the street to the north of the development; both the public house and theatre are oriented west towards the main road – a space for faster moving traffic through the area – rather than towards each other across the local street – a space for slow moving traffic and the central spine of the 'local centre' that will be established here. In light of queries from the NTA and the SDCC Roads Department regarding the provision of cycle infrastructure on Old Greenhills Road, the overall treatment of this street could be reconsidered.

The street is labelled as a pedestrian priority shared surface, but no cross sections have been provided of the street, and the material treatments appear to show a clear delineation between a 2m pedestrian path and a 5.5m carriageway. A rationale for a 5.5m carriageway has not been provided, when compared against the DMURS standard of 4.8m for a shared surface. This would allow for a generous footpath of 2.7m. If the terrace to the front cannot be delivered due to provision of planned cycling infrastructure, outdoor seating and a side entrance can be considered around the side, on the street.

The proposed layout is generally acceptable, but some reconsideration may be necessary for the details of the treatment of the local street, both in terms of the activity of the façade and the materials/layout. The applicant can address this by way of **additional information**.

Visual Impact

The Architectural Conservation Officer's appraisal is noted and endorsed in relation to the impact the proposed development would have on the Cuckoo's Nest building (which is not a protected structure but is a historic building and part of the county's built heritage). That appraisal is accepted in full.

The proposed 3 and 4 storey building would be located approx. 35-37 metres from the residential houses to the east, with a car park and public road set between them. The proposed height and eastern elevation are acceptable having regard to the distance and nature of the public realm in this location.

The proposed building is somewhat closer to the Temple Court apartments, located south of the subject site (distance appears to be about 8 metres). The new building would provide balconies and windows directly opposite the rear windows of the Temple Court apartments buildings.

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As per drawings submitted under SD16A/0157, the rear windows of Temple Court apartments serve living/kitchen/dining rooms, as well as store rooms, bathrooms and internal staircases. The windows are high cilled but do serve kitchens and are located above kitchen sinks.

Further consideration of this interaction is required, as are more detailed drawings showing, in plan and cross section, the relationship between the proposed apartment building and the permitted Temple Court Apartments, to establish that the occupants of the new development will not suffer a lack of privacy given the location of kitchen windows in the existing building. This can be resolved by **additional information**.

Residential Amenity

The 'Sustainable Urban Housing: Design Standards for New Apartments - Guidelines for Planning Authorities' (2018) provide a number of criteria and specifications under which applications for apartment development should be assessed.

Unit Mix

Under SPPR1 of the 'Sustainable Urban Housing: Design Standards for New Apartments' (2020) guidelines, the South Dublin County Development Plan 2022 – 2028 specifies a required mix as per the county's interim Housing Needs Demand Assessment. Under policy H1 Objective 12 of the Plan, all new developments should provide at least 30% 3-bedroom units, except where it can be shown that this is not necessary by way of the following criteria:

- there are unique site constraints that would prevent such provision; or
- that the proposed housing mix meets the specific demand required in an area, having regard to the prevailing housing type within a 10-minute walk of the site and to the socioeconomic, population and housing data set out in the Housing Strategy and Interim HNDA; or
- the scheme is a social and / or affordable housing scheme.

The applicant has not provided a rationale for the provision of 1- and 2-bedroom units only in this 11-unit scheme. The applicant should provide a rationale by way of **additional information**.

Minimum Floor Areas and Apartment Types

SPPR3 of the 'Sustainable Urban Housing: Design Standards for New Apartments' (2020) provides minimum floor areas for '1-bed (2 person)' and 2-bed (4 person)' apartments, and these are supplemented by a requirement that a majority of units in any one development exceed the minimum standards by at least 10%. This additional floor area can be shared by all units in smaller schemes such as this. In this instance, 9 of the proposed 11 units exceed the minimum floor area standards by at least 10%.

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The private open space and communal open space (provided as a roof terrace) are sufficient. The applicant has not provided dimensions showing that the balconies meet the minimum depth of 1.5 metres, but they measure as being adequate, and this can be specified by **condition**.

Dual Aspect

There is 1 single aspect unit proposed. This unit could be provided with east-facing window to make it dual aspect – there may be a design rationale for this, which the applicant might wish to comment on in their **additional information** submission.

Floor-to-Ceiling Height

The development complies with the requirements of SPPR5 in relation to floor-to-ceiling heights.

Stair Cores

The development complies with the requirements of SPPR6 in relation to stair cores.

Internal Storage

The development complies with the 'Sustainable Urban Housing: Design Standards for New Apartments' (2020) requirements for storage.

Communal Amenity Space

The applicant has not specified that the green space shall be communal amenity space, and this shall be specified by condition. The communal amenity space shall be accessible to residents of this development and the adjoining, recently occupied, apartment block.

Green Infrastructure and Open Space

The Public Realm Department has provided a main report and supplementary comments. The report seeks additional information in relation to:

- Details of the landscape plan
- Open space provision
- SUDs management and strategy
- Visual Impact Assessment
- Invasive species
- Green roofs details
- Roof terraces.

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The supplementary advice seeks the following in relation specifically to the new South Dublin County Development Plan 2022 – 2028:

- 1. Green Infrastructure- the applicant must show how they intend to reduce fragmentation of existing GI. They will need to provide a green infrastructure plan showing connections through the site and connections to wider GI network (see section 12.4.2).
- 2. The appropriate Greening Factor must be achieved for the relevant land use zoning (see Policy GI5, section 12.4.2 and related policies).
- 3. Suds attenuation tanks are not permitted within public open space areas. Applicant must use natural SUDS and above ground attenuation, Design of Suds to start at existing site conditions ideally the applicant should provide a flow analysis of the existing site pre-development and how the proposed surface water drainage proposes to achieve the greenfield run off rate. These should Refer to SDCC SUDS Design Guide. (See Policies GI3, GI4, GI5, IE3, SM2, SM7, and sections 4.3.1, 12.7.6, 12.11.1, and 12.11.3.)

Public Open Space

The permitted development (SD19A/0287) provided for 290sqm of public open space. None has been proposed under the new application. It is noted that, despite the previous 'OS' land-use zoning objective and local objective under the South Dublin County Development Plan 2016 – 2022, and despite the layout permitted under the SD16A/0157 permission, the Temple Woods development has been delivered without any access into Tymon Park for the residents and children in the estate. Additionally, the Temple Court Apartments are provided with no communal amenity space. Overall, the provision of amenity space in the built scheme is poor and the 2016 – 2022 Plan has not been well implemented at this location.

The applicant should be required to provide public open space as part of this development, and as per the existing permission (SD19A/0287). This would require a reduction in car parking levels and/or a reconfiguration of the proposed buildings. Access through to Tymon Park should also be provided as per permission SD16A/0157; this is an issue for Planning Enforcement however and is separate to the current assessment, as the applicant does not own the roads in Temple Woods. If such access were provided, the issue of public open space at this development could be resolved by way of a contribution in-lieu and the provision of appropriate play facilities nearby in Tymon Park.

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The applicant should provide as **additional information**, alternative proposals which provide for public open space as per the permitted development, or else guarantee improved local access to public open space and the provision of appropriate facilities through contributions in-lieu. In either case, the applicant is to demonstrate compliance with the following policies, objectives and guidance in the Plan:

- Policy H8
 - o in particular, Policy H8 Objective 3
- Section 8.4.1 in particular as it relates to public open space
- Section 8.7.1 in particular as it relates to accessibility
- Policy COS5
- Table 8.2

Sustainable Movement

The SDCC Roads Department has sought **additional information** on the following grounds:

- 1. The applicant has not indicated how right-turning movements into and out of the site will be accommodated safely. The applicant is requested to submit a revised layout of not less than 1:200 scale showing the location of a Yellow box arrangement in relation to the proposed development.
- 2. Revised layout of not less than 1:200 scale, showing a swept path analysis drawing (i.e., Autotrack or similar) demonstrating that fire tenders and large refuse vehicles can access/egress the site.
- 3. The applicant is requested to submit accurate plans demonstrating the provision of a visibility splay of 2.4m x 49m in both directions from the entrance. Sightlines should be shown to the near side edge of the road to the right hand side of entrance and to the centreline of the road to the left hand side of the entrance (when exiting).
- 4. The applicant should submit revised plans which show how the proposed development facilitates the BusConnects project.
- 5. Revised layout of not less than 1:200 scale, showing carriageway and footpath widths throughout the development
- 6. The applicant is requested to submit a breakdown of the car parking designation for the apartments, the pub and the shop.

In relation to (2) above, the applicant should satisfy themselves that a Fire Safety certificate can be obtained for the development as proposed. It is noted that refuse is proposed to be stored to the south of the apartment building, but it is not clear how it is to be collected. The applicant should provide a plan for storage and collection of refuse and swept path analysis as necessary.

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The NTA has also raised an issue with the Bus Connects layout and provision of cycling infrastructure to the front of the site. The applicant should show how this infrastructure can be provided while maintaining a 2m-wide footpath on Old Greenhills Road. This can be considered in addition to the comments under 'Quality Design and Health Placemaking' above.

In terms of the breakdown of car parking by use, the applicant should consider whether any of the uses are complementary and can share parking spaces. Provision of public open space at this location should have priority over provision of parking.

Otherwise, the Roads Department recommendations should be included in a request for additional information.

Water Services and Drainage

The Water Services Report seeks **additional information** regarding the design and management of SUDs in the scheme, as follows:

- 1.1 Submit a report to show surface water attenuation calculations for proposed development. Show on a report and drawing what surface water attenuation capacity each SuDS (Sustainable Drainage System) system has in m3. Show in report what surface water attenuation capacity is required for proposed development. Show what different surface types, areas in m2 are proposed such as, green roofs, permeable paving, buildings, roads and their respective run off coefficients. Submit a drawing showing the treatment train of SuDS and proposed natural flow controls for each SuDS system. Examples of SuDS include:
 - Green Roofs / Blue roofs
 - Swales
 - Permeable Paving
 - Grasscrete
 - Channel Rills
 - Rain Gardens
 - Planter boxes with overflow connection to the public surface water sewer.
 - Other such SuDS
- 1.2 Examine what capacity in m3 the proposed SuDS system can attenuate and check if proposed attenuation infiltration tank can be reduced in size by way of having SuDS provide respective surface water attenuation.

Guidance on SuDS can be found on the South Dublin County Council Website searching SuDS Guide at sdcc-suds-explanatory-design-and-evaluation-guide.pdf

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Irish Water has requested that the applicant engage directly with Irish Water to obtain a confirmation of feasibility and submit this to the Planning Authority as **additional information**.

The Water Services and Irish Water recommendations are considered to be appropriate and should form part of a request for **additional information**.

Social & Affordable Housing

The Housing Department states no objection to the proposed development subject to the attachment of a relevant condition, and the purchase of units on-site. This is noted.

Refuse Storage

The refuse storage is proposed to be located to the south of the apartment block. As per comments under the 'Sustainable Movement' heading above, the applicant should be requested to provide more details on the storage, access and collection of waste.

Environmental Health (Noise)

The HSE Environmental Health Officer has requested as **additional information** the submission of Noise assessments to ensure that residential amenity is not negatively impacted by the public house.

Appropriate Assessment

Table 1: Description of the project and site characteristics

Planning File Reference	SD22A/0285
Brief description of the project	See description of development.
Brief description of site characteristics	See site description.
Application accompanied by a NIS Y/N	No.

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Table 2: Identification of European Sites which may be impacted by the project

European Site	List of Qualifying Interest/ Special Conservation Interest	Distance from proposed development (km)	Connections (Source- Pathway- Receptor)	Considered further in screening Y/N
Glenasmole Valley SAC	3 Qualifying Interests [6210] Semi-natural dry grasslands and scrubland facies on calcareous substrates (Festuco- Brometalia) [6410] Molinia meadows on calcareous, peaty or clayey- silt-laden soils (Molinion caeruleae) [7220] Petrifying springs with tufa formation (Cratoneurion)	5.1	No links.	Yes
Wicklow Mountains SAC	13 Qualifying Interests ConservationObjectives.rdl (npws.ie)	7.6	No links.	No
Wicklow Mountains SPA	2 Qualifying Interests - Merlin (Falco columbarius) [A098] Peregrine (Falco peregrinus) [A103] CO004040.pdf (npws.ie)	8.24	No links.	No
Rye Water Valley / Carton SAC	 Petrifying springs with tufa formation (Cratoneurion) [7220] Vertigo angustior (Narrowmouthed Whorl Snail) [1014] Vertigo moulinsiana (Desmoulin's Whorl Snail) [1016] 	>15	No links.	No
Red Bog Kildare SAC	• Transition mires and quaking bogs [7140]	>15km	No links.	No

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Poulaphouca Reservoir SPA	Greylag Goose (Anser anser)[A043]Lesser Black-backed Gull	>15km	No links	No
	(Larus			
C. II. D. I.I.	fuscus) [A183]	. 451	NI - P - I -	NI -
South Dublin	4 Qualifying Interests	>15km	No links.	No
Bay SAC	ConservationObjectives.rdl			
	(npws.ie)			
South Dublin	14 Qualifying Interests	>15km	No links.	No
Bay and River	ConservationObjectives.rdl			
Tolka Estuary	(npws.ie)			
SPA				

Table 3: Assessment of Likely Significant Effects

Identify all potential direct and indirect impacts (alone or in combination) that may have an effect on the conservation objectives of a European site, taking into account the size and scale of the project:		
Likely Impacts	Possible Significance of Impacts (duration, magnitude etc.)	
Construction phase e.g. Vegetation clearance Demolition Surface water runoff from soil excavation/infill/landscaping (including borrow pits) Dust, noise, vibration Lighting disturbance Impact on groundwater/dewatering Storage of excavated/construction materials Access to site Pests	None.	
Operational phase e.g. Direct emission to air and water Surface water runoff containing contaminant or sediment Lighting disturbance Noise/vibration Changes to water/groundwater due to	None.	

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drainage or abstraction
 Presence of people, vehicles and activities
 Physical presence of structures
 (e.g., collision risks)
 Potential for accidents or incidents
 In-combination/Other
 None.

Are 'mitigation' measures necessary to reach a conclusion that likely significant effects can be ruled out at screening?

Table 4: Screening Determination Statement

Assessment of significance of e	ffects:	
Describe how the proposed development (alone or in-combination) is/is not likely to have		
significant effects on European site(s) in view of its conservation objectives.		
Conclusion:		
	Indicate (X)	Recommendation
It is clear that there is no	Х	The proposal can be screened out. Appropriate
likelihood of significant		assessment not required.
effects on a European site		
It is uncertain whether the		Request further information to complete
proposal will have a		screening
significant effect on a		Request NIS
European site		Refuse permission
Significant effects are likely		Request NIS
		Refuse permission
Completed by	CM	
Date	17 th August 20	022

Screening for Environmental Impact Assessment

Having regard to the scale of the proposed development, and the distance of the site from nearby sensitive receptors, it is considered that 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.

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Conclusion

Having regard to the policies of the South Dublin County Development Plan 2022 - 2028 and the particulars provided by the applicant, there are a number of issues outstanding which require additional detail or reconsideration.

Recommendation

Request Further Information.

Further Information

Further Information was requested on 18/08/22 Further Information was received on 09/12/22

Consultations

Public Realm

Roads

No objection, **conditions** recommended.

No objection, **conditions** recommended.

Water Services

No objection, **conditions** recommended.

External

Irish Water No objection, **conditions** recommended. HSE Environmental Health Officer No objection, **conditions** recommended.

Submissions/Observations

No further submissions/observations received.

Assessment of Further Information

The Further Information requested was as follows:

1. Plan Approach: Eight Key Design Principles.

The applicant is requested to provide a Statement from a suitable qualified person detailing how 'the Plan Approach' eight key design principles have been incorporated into the design pf the development, as per QDP2 Objective 1 of the South Dublin County Development Plan 2022 - 2028.

This can be resolved by way of additional information.

2. Local Street.

One aspect of the design which is a concern is the treatment of the street to the north of the development – both the public house and theatre are oriented west towards the main road, with relatively uninteractive facades to the local street between them. The NTA and the SDCC Roads Department have queried how the development can support the provision of cycle infrastructure on Old Greenhills Road.

The street is labelled as a pedestrian priority shared surface, but no cross sections have been provided of the street, and the material treatments appear to show a clear

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delineation between a 2m pedestrian path and a 5.5m carriageway. A rationale for a 5.5m carriageway has not been provided, when compared against the DMURS standard of 4.8m - there is potential to extend the pedestrian path by 700mm.

The following aspects could be reconsidered by the applicant, and the applicant should show by way of additional information, how they have considered the following points:

- the overall treatment of the street, in terms of architectural elevational treatment and surface layout and materials
- How to establish the space as a pedestrian priority space.
- If the terrace to the front cannot be delivered due to provision of planned cycling infrastructure, outdoor seating and a side entrance can be considered around the side, on the local street.
- Compliance with DMURS.

3. Privacy.

Further consideration of this interaction is required, as are more detailed drawings showing, in plan and cross section, the relationship between the proposed apartment building and the permitted Temple Court Apartments, to establish that the occupants of the new development will not suffer a lack of privacy given the location of kitchen windows in the existing building.

4. Unit Mix.

Under SPPR1 of the 'Sustainable Urban Housing: Design Standards for New Apartments' (2020) guidelines, the South Dublin County Development Plan 2022 – 2028 specifies a required mix as per the county's interim Housing Needs Demand Assessment. Under policy H1 Objective 12 of the Plan, all new developments should provide at least 30% 3-bedroom units, except where it can be shown that this is not necessary by way of the following criteria:

- there are unique site constraints that would prevent such provision; or
- that the proposed housing mix meets the specific demand required in an area, having regard to the prevailing housing type within a 10-minute walk of the site and to the socioeconomic, population and housing data set out in the Housing Strategy and Interim HNDA; or
- the scheme is a social and / or affordable housing scheme.

The applicant has not provided a rationale for the provision of 1- and 2-bedroom units only in this 11-unit scheme. The applicant should provide a rationale by way of additional information.

5. Single Aspect.

There is 1 single aspect unit proposed. This unit could be provided with east-facing window to make it dual aspect – there may be a design rationale for this, which the applicant might wish to comment on in their additional information submission.

6. Public Realm - Landscape Plan and Details.

The applicant is requested to submit comprehensive and detailed landscape proposals for the development, prepared by a qualified Landscape Architect. Such proposals should

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include a scaled landscape plan(s) with cross - sections, showing the layout and hard and soft treatment of all boundaries, features, external areas and green spaces. The proposals shall be accompanied by specifications for materials, workmanship and maintenance, together with proposed design details. Hard landscape details are to include, where applicable, those for any proposed lighting, seating, kerbing, boundaries, edging, surfacing and water features. Soft landscape details are to include detailed planting plans and planting schedules, stating species/varieties, quantities, sizes, rootball presentation and spacings. The landscape plan shall be accompanied by a timescale for its implementation, including a minimum 18-month landscape maintenance period and defects liability clause. In addition, the applicant shall provide the following:

- a) details in relation to the interface of site services and trees to be retained;
- b) details in relation to public furniture/benches;
- c) proposed locations of trees at appropriate intervals and other landscape planting in the development, including details of the size, species and location of all vegetation, including biodiversity enhancement measures;
- d) A full set of plans and details of Hard Landscape Design for boundary treatments, seating, kerbs, edges, surfaces, lighting, and showing how the proposal will be coordinated with services & civil engineering elements;
- e) details of Soft Landscape Design to include a detailed Planting Plan and Planting Schedule as appropriate stating species/varieties, indicative quantities, sizes, rootball presentation and spacings. Planting mixes should specify a diverse range of species/varieties/cultivars and a diversity of forms and plant sizes (multi-stems, feathered, semi-matures, etc.); using both native and exotic species and pollinator-friendly native species (in accordance with the All-Ireland Pollinator Plan 2015-2020), all designed to provide vegetation that is visually appealing, bio-diverse, and easily managed.
- f) details of a Landscape Management and Maintenance Plan of both communal residential and publicly accessible areas to be implemented during operation of the development. All planting shall be adequately protected from damage until established and maintained thereafter. The Planning Authority will require in the event of a grant of permission that any plants which die, are removed or become seriously damaged or diseased in the first 5 years of planting, shall be replaced within the next planting season with others of similar size and species, unless otherwise agreed in writing with the planning authority.
- 7. Public Realm Open Space Provision.
 - It is not clear from the information submitted if the proposal would meet the relevant open space requirements for this development. The applicant is requested to submit in table form the percentage (%) and area in sq.m of the proposed private, semi-private and public open space (where applicable) provision within the site. The applicant should demonstrate compliance with the South Dublin County Development Plan 2022 2028 in relation to all of these forms of open space.

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- 8. Sustainable Drainage Systems.
 - (A) The applicant should demonstrate compliance with the SDCC SUDS Design Guide 2022, and Policies GI3, GI4, GI5, IE3, SM2, SM7, and sections 4.3.1, 12.7.6, 12.11.1, and 12.11.3. of the South Dublin County Development Plan 2022 2028 in relation to sustainable drainage systems.
 - (B) In relation to SUDs, the applicant is requested to submit plans showing how surface water shall be attenuated to greenfield run off rates and showing what SuDS (Sustainable Drainage Systems) are proposed.
 - (C) SUDs Management The applicant is requested to submit a comprehensive SUDS Management Plan to demonstrate that the proposed SUDS features have reduced the rate of run off into the existing surface water drainage network. A maintenance plan should also be included as a demonstration of how the system will function following implementation.
 - (D)Additional natural SUDS features should be incorporated into the proposed drainage system for the development such as bio-retention/constructed tree pits, permeable paving, green roofs, filtration planting, filter strip etc. In addition, the applicant should provide the following:
 - Demonstrate how the proposed natural SUDS features will be incorporated and work within the drainage design for the proposed development.
 - SuDS bioretention Tree pits to be installed in trees within /draining areas of hard standing. Tree Pits to incorporate SuDS bioretention features and sufficient growing medium. SuDS details need to show how the water drains from the road/pavement hard surface into the SUDS tree pit, clearly outlining how SuDS features within the tree pits will function. The applicant is requested to refer to the recently published 'SDCC Sustainable Drainage Explanatory, Design and Evaluation Guide 2022' for acceptable SUDS tree pit details.
 - (E) The applicant is requested to submit a report to show surface water attenuation calculations for proposed development. Show on a report and drawing what surface water attenuation capacity each SuDS (Sustainable Drainage System) system has in m3. Show in report what surface water attenuation capacity is required for proposed development. Show what different surface types, areas in m2 are proposed such as, green roofs, permeable paving, buildings, roads and their respective run off coefficients. Submit a drawing showing the treatment train of SuDS and proposed natural flow controls for each SuDS system.
 - (F) Examine what capacity in m3 the proposed SuDS system can attenuate and check if proposed attenuation infiltration tank can be reduced in size by way of having SuDS provide respective surface water attenuation.

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9. Sustainable Movement.

- (A) The applicant has not indicated how right-turning movements into and out of the site will be accommodated safely. The applicant is requested to submit a revised layout of not less than 1:200 scale showing the location of a Yellow box arrangement in relation to the proposed development.
- (B) (i) In terms of access for larger vehicles, the applicant should show how they are compliant with the relevant regulations, to the extent that they would receive a fire safety certificate for the proposed layout. Plans should show, using swept path analysis, how fire tenders can access the site if required. This is an item for additional information. The applicant should have cognisance of DMURS section 4.3.3 and the occasional access requirements for larger vehicles.
 - (ii) The applicant should also show by way of additional information how it is expected that refuse will be collected from the site and if bin lorry access is required on the site, provide swept path analysis showing that this is possible. The applicant should have cognisance of DMURS section 4.3.3 and the occasional access requirements for larger vehicles.
- (C) The applicant is requested to submit accurate plans demonstrating the provision of a visibility splay of 2.4m x 49m in both directions from the entrance. Sightlines should be shown to the near side edge of the road to the right hand side of entrance and to the centreline of the road to the left hand side of the entrance (when exiting).
- (D) The applicant should submit revised plans which show how the proposed development facilitates the BusConnects project. The National Transport Authority states that it is available to consult on this matter (see their submission).
- (E) The applicant should submit a revised layout of not less than 1:200 scale, showing carriageway and footpath widths throughout the development. The applicant should demonstrate compliance with DMURS section 4.4.1 with regard to a shared surface street.
- (F) The applicant is requested to submit a breakdown of the car parking designation for the apartments, the pub and the shop. The applicant should consider and state whether any of the proposed uses are complementary and can share parking.

10. Irish Water.

- (A) The applicant should engage directly with Irish Water and submit a Confirmation of Feasibility from Irish Water, as additional information, with respect to water supply and wastewater connections.
- (B) The applicant should demonstrate the relationship between the proposed development and the 225mm public foul sewers in close proximity to the site, and show using plans and cross sectional drawings, as necessary, that the proposed development would not lead to inappropriate loading on the public pipes.

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11. Noise.

The applicant is requested to provide:

- (A) An assessment for the potential for noise nuisance from the operational use of the public house and retail unit.
- (B) Proposals to negate noise nuisance from the operational use of the public house and retail unit must be submitted to ensure compliance with BS 8233 Guidelines for Sound Insulation and Noise Reduction for Buildings.
 - Additionally, the applicant should:
- (C) demonstrate that the proposed development would support Policy IE8 of the South Dublin County Development Plan 2022 2028.

12. Public Realm - Public Open Space.

The applicant should provide as additional information, alternative proposals which provide for public open space as per the permitted development, or else guarantee improved local access to public open space (in accordance with permission SD16A/0157), and the provision of appropriate facilities through contributions in-lieu. In either case, the applicant is to demonstrate compliance with the following policies, objectives and guidance in the South Dublin County Development Plan 2022 - 2028:

- Policy H8
 - in particular, Policy H8 Objective 3
- Section 8.4.1 in particular as it relates to public open space
- Section 8.7.1 in particular as it relates to accessibility
- Policy COS5
- *Table 8.2*

Assessment

Item 1 – Plan Approach

The applicant has provided a response in relation to the Plan Approach and the Eight Design Principles. This response is considered acceptable.

Item 2 – Local Street

The Roads Department have reviewed the application and have stated that they are 'satisfied that the kerb treatment and pavement colours, width and finish create a pedestrian priority space that is in line with DMURS.' This is considered acceptable.

Item 3 – Privacy

It is acknowledged that the windows serving Temple Court are high level and would not provide much opportunity for overlooking. It is considered that this is sufficient to ensure the privacy of future residents of the proposed apartments.

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Item 4 – Unit Mix

The applicant's response states the following unit mix:

- 3 no. 1 bed units = 30%
- 6 no. 2 bed units = 60%
- -1 no. 3 bed units = 10%

The applicant has not provided a justification for this unit mix, particularly with regard to the under provision of 3-bedroom units per Policy H1 Objective 12. It is noted that 1 no. 3-bedroom unit is now provided however, the requirement per Policy H1 Objective 12 is that 30% of units should be 3-bedroom, requiring 3 no. 3-bedroom units to be provided. The applicant has not met the requirement of providing a rationale for this unit mix. This should be requested as **clarification of further information**.

Item 5 – Single Aspect

On the third floor two units have been combined to provide a 3-bedroom unit. In doing so, the formerly single aspect unit has been absorbed into this larger apartment and therefore removing the provision of any single aspect units at the site. The provision of no single aspect units is considered acceptable.

Item 6 – Public Realm – Landscape Plan and Details

The applicant has submitted revised landscape details which have been reviewed and determined as acceptable to the Public Realm Section. The applicant has indicated that the boundary to the east would be a 2m brick wall with 1.8m dry dash and concrete capping. This is not considered an appropriate treatment for this boundary as it will provide a hard barrier between the development and the housing estate to the east. It is noted that under previous applications this area has been permitted as open space or having planting. This is considered a more appropriate treatment. The applicant should be requested to provide hedgerow and trees at this location to improve green infrastructure and the integration of the site with surrounding development. This can be achieved by **condition**.

In stating no objection to the development, the Public Realm section have recommended the following relevant **conditions**:

- 1. Implementation of Landscape Plan
 - a) The landscaping scheme shown on drawing No. 2251_LP_C Landscape Plan shall be implemented in full, within the first planting season following completion of the development, in addition:
 - b) All hard and soft landscape works shall be completed in full accordance with the submitted Landscape Plan (Dwg. No. 2251_LP_C).
 - c) All trees, shrubs and hedge plants supplied shall comply with the requirements of BS: 3936, Specification for Nursery Stock. All pre-planting site preparation, planting and post-planting maintenance works shall be carried out in accordance

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- with the requirements of BS: 4428 (1989) Code of Practice for General Landscape Operations (excluding hard surfaces).
- d) All new tree plantings shall be positioned in accordance with the requirements of Table 3 of BS 5837: 2012 "Trees in Relation to Design, Demolition and Construction Recommendations".
- e) Any trees, shrubs or hedges planted in accordance with this condition which are removed, die, become severely damaged or become seriously diseased within three years of planting shall be replaced within the next planting season by trees, shrubs or hedging plants of similar size and species to those originally required to be planted

2. Retention of Landscape Architect

- i) Prior to the commencement of any permitted development, the developer shall appoint and retain the services of a qualified Landscape Architect (or qualified Landscape Designer) as a Landscape Consultant, throughout the life of the construction works and shall notify the planning authority of that appointment in writing prior to commencement.
- ii) A Practical Completion Certificate is to be signed off by the Landscape Architect when all landscape works are fully completed to the satisfaction of the planning authority in accordance with the permitted landscape proposals.
- iii) Installation of attenuation tree pits shall be supervised by the project landscape architect.

These **conditions** are considered appropriate and should be included in the event of a grant of permission.

Item 7 – Open Space Provision

The applicant has demonstrated compliance with the minimum requirements for private and communal open space. This is acceptable. The applicant has not altered the scheme to provide any public open space. This is addressed further under the assessment of Item 12.

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Item 8 – Sustainable Drainage Systems

The Public Realm section have reviewed the submission and have stated no objection to the development in relation to SuDS, recommending the following **condition**;

SUDS

A comprehensive SUDS Management Plan shall be submitted to demonstrate that the proposed SUDS features have reduced the rate of run off into the existing surface water drainage network. A maintenance plan shall also be included as a demonstration of how the system will function following implementation. Additional natural SUDS features shall be incorporated into the proposed drainage system for the development such as, detention basins, filter drains, swales etc. In addition, the applicant shall provide the following:

- Demonstrate the treatment train, biodiversity value and amenity value of the SUDS proposals for the catchment in the residential areas.
- Demonstrate how the proposed natural SUDS features will be incorporated and work within the drainage design for the proposed development including drainage / attenuation calculations for same.
- The applicant shall show further proposed SuDS features for the development such as green roofs, grass areas, channel rills, swales, permeable paving and other such SuDS and show what attenuation capacity is provided by such SuDS. Bio retention tree pits should be designed so that they enable tree pits to both support healthy tree growth while at the same time to help treat and attenuate water coming from hard landscaping areas.
- Natural Suds measures should be detailed to remove/ reduce the requirement for underground attenuation tanks in line with the development plan objectives.
- Tree Pits to incorporate SuDS bioretention features and sufficient growing medium. SuDS details need to show how the water drains from the road/pavement hard surface into the SUDS tree pit, clearly outlining how SuDS features within the tree pits will function. The applicant is requested to refer to the recently published 'SDCC Sustainable Drainage Explanatory, Design and Evaluation Guide 2022' for acceptable SUDS tree pit details.

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This is considered a complementary **condition** to that recommended by Water Services, stated below. The Public Realm section have also recommended the following **condition** in relation to green infrastructure and the green space factor:

Green Infrastructure & Green Space Factor

The applicant shall submit the following information relation to Green Infrastructure in accordance with the quoted policies and sections of the South Dublin County Development Plan 2022 - 2028:

- a) To demonstrate how they intend to reduce fragmentation of existing green infrastructure. The applicant should provide a green infrastructure plan showing connections through the site and connections to wider GI network.
- b) To demonstrate how the appropriate Green Space Factor (GSF) will be achieved for the relevant land use zoning objective.

Water Services have reviewed the submission and have stated the proposed attenuation is undersized by approximately 10%. The Water Services report states no objection to the development, recommending a **condition** to require increased surface water attenuation to be agreed with the Planning Authority prior to the commencement of development. This **condition** is considered important to ensure the adequate provision of SuDS in the interest of sustainable drainage.

It is considered that the requirement for these conditions indicates that the applicant has not provided sufficient information in relation to the provision of SuDS. The applicant should be requested to provide **clarification of additional information**, ensuring the attenuation capacity is increased, and that additional SuDS measures are provided, with reference to the requirements of green infrastructure and the green space factor also.

Item 9 – Sustainable Movement

The Roads Department has reviewed the submission and stated no objection to the development, recommending the following **conditions**:

- 1. EV charging shall be provided in all residential, mixed use and commercial developments and shall comprise a minimum of 20% of the total parking spaces provided. The applicant shall provide a minimum of 4 no. EV charging points. The remainder of the parking spaces shall be constructed to be capable of accommodating future charging points as outlined in as outlined in SDCC CDP section 12.7.5.
- 2. Prior to commencement of development, the applicant shall submit the Construction Traffic Management Plan for the written agreement of the Planning Authority.
- 3. Prior to commencement of development, the applicant shall submit a developed Construction & Demolition Waste Management Plan (C&DWMP) for the written agreement of the Planning Authority
- 4. The applicant is to provide a Taking In Charge Map that distinguishes between all areas to be offered to SDCC.

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5. Prior to commencement a Public Lighting Design for the development must be submitted and agreed by the Public Lighting team of SDCC.

The Planning Authority would still have concerns regarding how parking at the site would function, and the interaction of the site with the residential development to the east.

Per Tables 12.25 and 12.26 of the Development Plan, maximum parking rates at the site are as follows, for development located within Zone 2:

Use	Maximum Allowable
Residential	10
Shop	11
Pub	12
Total	33

The applicant is proposing 19 no. car parking spaces, including 2 no. EV and 1 no. accessible space. The Roads Department require a minimum of 20% of spaces to be EV, therefore the provision is below this requirement. This can be rectified by condition, as recommended by Roads.

There would be a concern about how the shared car parking arrangement would function in practice and it is not considered that parking at the site can be managed without allocation of spaces for particular uses. The applicant should be requested to review the car parking proposals and submit revised plans clearly allocating spaces per use and clarifying how this would be managed. This can be done by **clarification of additional information**.

Item 10 – Irish Water

Irish Water have reviewed the additional information submitted and have stated no objection to the development. Their response recommends the following **conditions** in the event of a grant of permission:

Water

1.1 Prior to the commencement of development, the applicant or developer shall enter into a water connection agreement(s) with Irish Water.

Foul

- 2.1 Prior to commencement of development submit a revised drawing showing where section 2-2 is in respect to Drawing Number 105 from CORA Consulting Engineers Drawing. Submit a revised drawing that lowers the depth of foundation at Section 2-2 by at least 0.5m to remove any load transfer onto adjacent foul drain. Show the depth of foundation in a cross sectional view on a drawing between the narrowest point of proposed development and adjacent foul sewer.
- 2.2 Prior to the commencement of development, the applicant or developer shall enter into a wastewater connection agreement(s) with Irish Water.

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These **conditions** are considered appropriate to ensure public health and adequate water facilities. As **clarification of additional information** is being recommended, item 2.1, in relation to foul, should be requested at this time.

Item 11 – Noise

The EHO has reviewed the submission and their report states 'All recommendations outlined in the acoustic noise assessment must be implemented.' This should be guaranteed by **condition**.

The EHO response states no objection to the development, recommending the following conditions:

Construction Phase

1. Noise

To control, limit and prevent the generation of Environmental Noise Pollution from occurring the Environmental Health Department of South Dublin County Council, hereby informs you that:

The use of machinery, plant, or equipment (which includes pneumatic drills, generators and the movement on and off the site of construction vehicles) is NOT PERMITTED outside the following hours

- Before 07.00 hours on weekdays, Monday to Friday
- Before 09.00 hours on Saturdays.
- After 19.00 hours on weekdays, Monday to Friday.
- After 13.00 hours on Saturdays.
- Not permitted at any time on Sundays, Bank Holidays or Public Holidays.

2. Air Quality

During the construction / 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.

Operational Phase – Public House

- 1. Noise levels from the proposed development shall not be so loud, so continuous, so repeated, of such duration or pitch or occurring at such times as to give reasonable cause for annoyance to a person in any residence, adjoining premises or public place in the vicinity.
- 2. Bin storage

Bin storage facilities should be adequately serviced with a water supply, drainage and ventilation.

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- 3. Fumes & Noise from Commercial Units
 - a. The ventilation system shall be adequately filtered and externally vented so as not to cause a nuisance to neighbouring properties.
 - b. Any fumes emitted from the premises shall be minimised and if necessary, treated using the Best Available Technology and emitted to the outer air.
 - c. The noise from the operation of the ventilation system shall be attenuated so as not to cause a noise nuisance to nearby residential properties.
 - d. Details to demonstrate compliance with above shall be submitted for the written agreement of the Planning Authority prior to the commencement of any development.
- 4. The development shall be so operated that there will be no emissions of malodours, gas, dust, fumes or other deleterious materials, no noise or noise vibration on site as would give reasonable cause for annoyance to any person in any residence, adjoining premises or public place in the vicinity.

These **conditions** are considered appropriate in the interests of public health and to minimise nuisance.

Item 12 – Public Realm – Open Space

The applicant has not amended the scheme to provide any public open space. Areas previously permitted as open space are proposed entirely as car parking. The applicant has justified the lack of open space due to a long planning history, changing ownership and permitted links into Tymon Park as part of the Temple Wood scheme. As previously noted, these links have not been provided and this is considered an enforcement issue.

In lieu of providing public open space the applicant has stated they are willing to pay a contribution in lieu, agreed by the Public Realm section who have recommended the following **condition**:

Contribution in Lieu of Public Open Space

The applicant has failed to achieve the required open space provision of 2.4 Ha per 1,000 population, which equates to 720 m2 of POS required for the subject development. The applicant has only provided 489m2 in terms of POS, therefore there is a shortfall of 231m2. Therefore, as per COS5 Objective 4 with the CDP 2022-2028; the applicant shall agree with the Planning Authority in consultation with the Public Realm Section the provision of additional facilities or upgrading of existing facilities within a POS or neighbouring Park outside of the proposed Development site area in order to make up for the shortfall of POS provided for within the subject site.

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If the provision or upgrade of additional facilities cannot be agreed, then the Council will accept a financial contributions in lieu of open space, the total contribution shall be calculated on the basis of the costs set out in the applicable Development Contribution Scheme, in addition to the development costs of the open space.

The DCS does not currently provide for a contribution in lieu and the above draft condition is incorrect in that no POS is proposed on-site. As such the application will be requested by way of **clarification of additional information** to consult with the Public Realm section in relation to options to enhance existing public spaces in the vicinity of the development in accordance with COS5 Objectives.

Conclusion

The applicant has not sufficiently addressed all the matters for which additional information was requested. Clarification of additional information is required in relation to the following items:

- Justification for the unit mix in not achieving 30% 3-bedroom units
- In consultation with the Planning Authority, provide greater detail in relation to upgrades of existing public open space nearby that could be provided in lieu of POS on site.
- More detail regarding SuDS and how these can be implemented to achieve the appropriate Green Space Factor at the site and adequate surface water attenuation.
- Greater detail in relation to the car parking arrangements and how these would be managed
- Revised drawing that lowers the depth of foundation at Section 2-2 by at least 0.5m to remove any load transfer onto adjacent foul drain.

Recommendation

Request Clarification of Further Information.

Further Information

Further Information was requested on 18/08/22 Further Information was received on 09/12/22 Clarification of Further Information was requested on 16/01/23 Clarification of Further Information was received on 14/03/23

The applicant was granted a time extension up to and including 29th May 2023 to respond to the request for Clarification of Further Information

Consultations

Public Realm:

Water Services:

No objection, conditions recommended

No objection, conditions recommended

No objection, conditions recommended

Irish Water:

No objection, conditions recommended

No objection, conditions recommended

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Submissions/Observations

No further submissions/observations received.

Assessment of Further Information

The Further Information requested was as follows:

1. Unit Mix

It is noted that 1 no. 3-bedroom unit is now provided however, the requirement per Policy H1 Objective 12 is that 30% of units should be 3-bedroom, requiring 3 no. 3-bedroom units to be provided. The applicant was requested to provide a justification for the unit mix and has failed to do so in relation to the revised mix. The applicant must provide a sufficient justification for the unit mix, if intending not to meet the requirement of Policy H1 Objective 12 to provide 30% of the development as 3-bedroom units.

- 2. Public Open Space
 - The applicant is requested to provide greater detail about proposals to mitigate the absence of public open space provision on site. In this regard the applicant is requested to liaise with the Public Realm Department and agree suitable upgrades to Tymon Park that would benefit the future occupants of the proposed development.
- 3. Sustainable Urban Drainage Systems, Surface Water Attenuation and Green Infrastructure

The applicant is requested to clarify the following:

- A. The proposed attenuation of 127m3 (80m3 +47m3) is undersized by approximately 10%. A revised drawing is required showing increased surface water attenuation by 10%. The attenuation shall be provided by using additional SuDS (Sustainable Drainage Systems). Only in exceptional circumstance shall attenuation be provided by an underground system. For such an underground attenuation system it is preferable to use an arched type system instead of an aquacell system for ease of maintenance and durability reasons.
- B. A comprehensive SUDS Management Plan shall be submitted to demonstrate that the proposed SUDS features have reduced the rate of run off into the existing surface water drainage network. A maintenance plan shall also be included as a demonstration of how the system will function following implementation. Additional natural SUDS features shall be incorporated into the proposed drainage system for the development such as, detention basins, filter drains, swales etc. In addition, the applicant shall provide the following:
 - i. Demonstrate the treatment train, biodiversity value and amenity value of the SUDS proposals for the catchment in the residential areas.
 - ii. Demonstrate how the proposed natural SUDS features will be incorporated and work within the drainage design for the proposed development including drainage / attenuation calculations for same.

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- iii. The applicant shall show further proposed SuDS features for the development such as green roofs, grass areas, channel rills, swales, permeable paving and other such SuDS and show what attenuation capacity is provided by such SuDS. Bio retention tree pits should be designed so that they enable tree pits to both support healthy tree growth while at the same time to help treat and attenuate water coming from hard landscaping areas.
- iv. Natural Suds measures should be detailed to remove/ reduce the requirement for underground attenuation tanks in line with the development plan objectives.
- v. Tree Pits to incorporate SuDS bioretention features and sufficient growing medium. SuDS details need to show how the water drains from the road/pavement hard surface into the SUDS tree pit, clearly outlining how SuDS features within the tree pits will function. The applicant is requested to refer to the recently published 'SDCC Sustainable Drainage Explanatory, Design and Evaluation Guide 2022' for acceptable SUDS tree pit details.
- C. In assessing the provision of SuDS at the site, the applicant shall consider the interrelationship of SuDS and green infrastructure. The applicant is required to show compliance with the quoted policies and sections of the South Dublin County Development Plan 2022 2028 and submit details demonstrating:
 - i. How they intend to reduce fragmentation of existing green infrastructure. The applicant should provide a green infrastructure plan showing connections through the site and connections to wider GI network.
 - ii. How the appropriate Green Space Factor (GSF) will be achieved for the relevant land use zoning objective.

4. Car Parking

The Planning Authority would have a concern about the potential conflict that would arise from the shared parking arrangement proposed. The applicant is requested to submit clarification on how car parking would be allocated and managed appropriately so as to ensure there is no conflict between the uses for car parking spaces.

5. Foul Water

The applicant is requested to submit a revised drawing showing where section 2-2 is in respect to Drawing Number 105 from CORA Consulting Engineers Drawing. Submit a revised drawing that lowers the depth of foundation at Section 2-2 by at least 0.5m to remove any load transfer onto adjacent foul drain. Show the depth of foundation in a cross sectional view on a drawing between the narrowest point of proposed development and adjacent foul sewer.

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Assessment

Item 1 – Unit Mix

In compliance with Policy H1 Objective 12, the applicant has provided a justification for the unit mix proposed and the failure to provide 30% 3-bedroom units. The applicant has confirmed the scheme is not social and/or affordable or build to rent. The applicant has highlighted the existing mix of dwellings in the area, largely comprising 3-4 bedroom units. In addition, when viewed in the context of the entire Temple Woods development, constructed and proposed, it is clear that there is a significant proportion of 3-bedroom units.

It is agreed that the current scheme will provide a unit type not currently widely available in the area and this is a benefit to provide a broader range of unit options for residents. On this basis, the unit mix is considered acceptable, and the justification provided accords with the requirements of Policy H1 Objective 12.

Item 2 – Public Open Space

The applicant has failed to provide 2.4ha public open space per 1,000 population (equating to 396 sq.m) as part of the development. The **applicant has** liaised with the Public Realm Section and **offered to pay a financial contribution of €40,000** however this figure has not been agreed with the Public Realm Section who recommend the following **condition** in the event of a grant:

Contribution in Lieu of Public Open Space

Prior to the occupation of any units in the development or in such phased payments as the planning authority may facilitate, a financial contribution in lieu of the public open space requirement of 396m2 to meet the required standard of the County Development Plan shall be agreed in writing and paid to the Planning Authority. The financial contribution shall be calculated based on the cost of site assembly in the County and the development cost for parks at the time of the agreement.

REASON: In accordance with Policy COS5 of the County Development Plan and in accordance with the proper planning and sustainable development of the area

It is considered that, given the sites restraints, provision of public open space on site would not be feasible and would not result in a functional public open space being provided of any amenity value. It is therefore agreed that, in accordance with Policy COS5, a development contribution would be acceptable mitigation for the shortfall. It is noted that no contribution scheme has yet been finalised in relation to a contribution in lieu of public open space and therefore wording of such a condition also has not been finalised. The wording for a standard financial contribution is:

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Financial Contribution.

The developer shall pay to the Planning Authority a financial contribution of $\in XXXX$ (State sum in words), 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.

It is considered that this wording forms an appropriate basis to determine the wording for a contribution in lieu of public open space in the specific instances of this application. The following wording is recommended:

Contribution in Lieu of Public Open Space.

The developer shall pay to the Planning Authority a financial contribution of $\[\epsilon 40,000 \]$ (Forty Thousand Euros), for the purpose of the acquisition or upgrading of small parks, local parks and neighbourhood parks, or to allow provision or upgrade of Regional Parks.

The contributions under this condition shall be payable prior to commencement of development or as otherwise agreed in writing by the Council.

REASON: The acquisition and/or upgrade of such facilities will facilitate the proposed development. Per COS5 Obj. 5, it is considered reasonable that the payment of a contribution be required, in respect of public open space 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.

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Item 3 – Sustainable Urban Drainage Systems, Surface Water and Attenuation and Green Infrastructure

The Public Realm Section have reviewed the information submitted in relation to SuDS and have stated a requirement for the applicant to remove the proposed underground attenuation and provide additional surface level SuDS. The Public Realm Section are satisfied with the SuDS Management Plan provided however, are not satisfied that the applicant has adequately demonstrated the treatment train and value of SuDS. The Public Realm Section has recommended the following **condition** to address these concerns:

Removal of proposal for underground attenuation

The applicant shall incorporate additional natural SUDS features into the proposed drainage system for the development such as rain gardens, detention basins, filter drains, swales etc. In addition, the applicant shall provide the following:

Removal of proposal for underground attenuation.

The applicant is requested to fill in the table below and provide clear explanations/rationale for selecting/not selecting additional natural SUDS measures:

Table 3.1 – SuDS Measures Rationale and Justification

SuDS Measures	Measures to be used on this site	Rationale for selecting/not selecting measure	Area of Feature (m2)	Attenuation volume of feature (m3)
Swales				
Integrated constructed Tree Pits				
Green/Blue Roofs (Intensive and Extensive Green Roofs)				
Filter Drain				
Permeable				

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pavement			
(Grasscrete,			
Block paving,			
Porous			
Asphalt etc.)			
Green wall			
Filter strips			
Bio-retention			
systems/Raing			
ardens			
Blue Roofs			
Detention			
Basins			
Retentions			
basins			
Ponds			
Wetlands	-	<u> </u>	

Water Services have reviewed clarification of additional information provided. Their report says they are satisfied with the application subject to the inclusion of the following **condition**:

- 1.1 The attenuation shall be provided by using additional SuDS (Sustainable Drainage Systems). Examples of SuDS include:
 - Green Roofs / Blue roofs
 - Swales
 - Permeable Paving
 - Grasscrete
 - Channel Rills
 - Rain Gardens,
 - Planter boxes with overflow connection to the public surface water sewer.
 - Ponds
 - Other such SuDS

Guidance on SuDS can be found on the South Dublin County Council Website searching SuDS Guide at sdcc-suds-explanatory-design-and-evaluation-guide.pdf

There is a discrepancy in the acceptance of the proposed SuDS between the recommendations of Water Services and Public Realm. It is considered important to ensure, where possible, natural SuDS are provided and where this is not possible, sufficient justification has been provided. Given the constrained, infill nature of the site, and the justification provided by the applicant, the inclusion of the underground attenuation tank in this instance is considered acceptable. In this

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regard, it is not considered necessary to require the information recommended by the Public Realm Section and therefor the Water Services recommended **condition** should be included.

The applicant has proposed some additional green infrastructure, including a low hedgerow boundary with Temple Woods to the east. The applicant has not met the required GSF onsite. It is noted that Section 12.4.2 allows for certain circumstances where the GSF is not achievable on site. it is considered that, given the constrained infill nature of the site, the development would fall under the circumstances where special considerations can be considered. There is currently no mechanism to address sites where the minimum GSF is not met however, the applicant has volunteered to pay a contribution in lieu of public open space and, in this instance, it is considered that this reduces the need for further consideration of GSF at the site. However, this does not limit the applicant's responsibility to provide adequate natural SuDS measures at the site and, by improving SuDS at the site, the applicant may improve their GSF score anyway. It is not however considered necessary to include further conditions relating to achieving the sites minimum GSF score.

Item 4 – Car Parking

The applicant has provided an update site plan allocating car parking for specific uses within the scheme: 10 no. residential, 1 no. mobility access and 8 no. non-residential car parking spaces. 4 no. spaces would be provided as EV charging. Clear allocation of spaces, and the management of same by a private operator, is considered acceptable and will reduce the potential conflict that may arise were spaces to be provided without organisation or management. It is considered that the applicant has sufficiently met the requirements of this item. A **condition** should be included in the event of a grant requiring details of the signage or markings proposed for the spaces to be agreed prior to the commencement of development.

Item 5 – Foul Water

Irish Water have reviewed the application and have stated no objection to the development, recommending standard **conditions** requiring connection agreements prior to the commencement of development.

Conclusion

The development subject to conditions, is considered to be consistent with the zoning objective 'RES' – 'To protect and/or improve residential amenity', and the relevant provisions in the County Development Plan 2022-2028 and is considered acceptable.

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Other Considerations

Development Contributions

As stated above, a condition is recommended requiring a contribution in lieu of public open space. This section provides a calculation for contributions for which there is an approved scheme.

Planning Reference Number	SD22A/0285
Are any exemptions applicable?	No
Standard rate applicable to residential aspects of development	119.1
% reduction to rate, if applicable (0% if N/A)	
Rate applicable	119.1
Standard rate applicable to commercial aspects of development:	112.57
% reduction to rate, if applicable (0% if N/A)	0
Rate applicable	112.57
Area of Development (m2) to which residential rate applies	769.25
Amount of Floor area, if any, exempt (m2)	0
Total area to which residential development contribution applies (m2)	769.25
Area of Development (m2) to which commercial rate applies	747.00
Amount of Floor area, if any, exempt (m2)	0
Total area to which residential development contribution applies (m2)	747
Residential contribution due €119.10 x 769.25 =	€91,617.68
Commercial contribution due €112.57 x 747 =	€84,089.79
Total contribution due $\qquad \qquad \in 91,617.68 + \in 84,089.79 =$	€175,707.47

Bonds

ASSESSMENT OF SECURITY BONDS 2023						
Apartments						
	Number of Units	CASH	BOND			
1-20	10	€4,969	€5,715			
21-50	0	€3,478	€4,000			
51+	0	€1,988	€2,286			
TOTAL UNITS	10	€49,690.00	€57,150.00			
TOTAL SECURITY CALCULATION		€49,690.00	€57,150.00			

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SEA Monitoring Information

Building Use Type Proposed: Mixed Use inc. Residential

Floor Area: Not Stated

Land Type: Urban Consolidation / Infill

Site Area: 0.24 Hectares.

Conclusion

Having regard to the provisions of the South Dublin County Council Development Plan 2022-2028 and the overall design and scale of the development proposed it is considered that, subject to conditions set out below, the proposed development 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 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 2022 - 2028 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 to be in accordance with submitted plans and details. The development shall be carried out and completed in its entirety in accordance with the plans, particulars and specifications lodged with the application, and as amended by Further Information received on 09/12/2022, Clarification of Further Information received on 14/03/2023, 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.

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2. Architectural Conservation

The following shall be submitted to the Planning Authority, for written agreement, prior to the commencement of development:

- A. The proposed interventions and works within the existing building shall be carried out adhering to good conservation and in accordance with good conservation practice and principles ensuring minimal intervention and no damage or risk to the original built fabric. Those areas being affected by new opes or widening of new opes shall be made good using the appropriate materials and methods. A Method Statement shall be submitted detailed the works proposed to the existing building and should include any energy efficiency and upgrading works in line with CDP Climate Change Policies.
- B. Safety measures shall be put in place during the proposed works on site. A Safety Statement shall be provided detailing how the original built fabric of the existing building will be protected during demolition of existing additional structures, site clearance/excavation and construction.
- C. Details of the materials, finishes and planting, in providing an overall improved design landscape within the site.
- D. A schedule of materials and finishes shall be provided for the new elements being inserted into the existing building and the proposed new extension. Although details of materials and finishes have been indicated there are elements which need to be confirmed ensuring the full and proper execution of these high-quality designed elements. This shall include full details on materials and finishes for all elements of the proposed new extension and glazed link.
- E. The proposed design for the front terrace area to the front of the existing building could be improved. The defined area at this location could cause a negative visual impact given its location to the front site of the historic structure. It was recommended that a more open plan area for customers with integrated planting and seating would limit any visual impact and allow the outdoor area to sit sensitively and improve the overall visual link along the streetscape. The applicant shall submit revised proposals incorporating these alterations to the landscaping along the Greenhills Road.

REASON: In the interests of architectural conservation and amenity.

3. Details

The applicant shall ensure the following:

- A. All balconies shall be a minimum of 1.5m in depth.
- B. The landscape plan shall be implemented in full, including the provision of hedgerow low hedge planting along the site boundary, as per drawing 'Landscape Plan Ground Floor', dated 07/06/2022.
- C. Details of the signage or markings proposed for the car parking spaces shall be submitted to the Planning Authority for written agreement prior to the commencement of development.

REASON: In the interests of the proper planning and sustainable development of the area.

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4. Roads and Access

- A. EV charging shall be provided in all residential, mixed use and commercial developments and shall comprise a minimum of 20% of the total parking spaces provided. The applicant shall provide a minimum of 4 no. EV charging points. The remainder of the parking spaces shall be constructed to be capable of accommodating future charging points as outlined in as outlined in SDCC CDP section 12.7.5.
- B. Prior to commencement of development, the applicant shall submit the Construction Traffic Management Plan for the written agreement of the Planning Authority.
- C. Prior to commencement of development, the applicant shall submit a developed Construction & Demolition Waste Management Plan (C&DWMP) for the written agreement of the Planning Authority
- D. The applicant shall provide a Taking in Charge Map that distinguishes between all areas to be offered to SDCC.
- E. Prior to commencement a Public Lighting Design for the development must be submitted and agreed by the Public Lighting team of SDCC.

REASON: In the interests of the proper planning and sustainable development of the area.

5. Environmental Health

- A. All recommendations outlined in the acoustic noise assessment shall be implemented.
- B. Construction Phase
- a. Noise

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The use of machinery, plant, or equipment (which includes pneumatic drills, generators and the movement on and off the site of construction vehicles) is NOT PERMITTED outside the following hours:

- Before 07.00 hours on weekdays, Monday to Friday
- Before 09.00 hours on Saturdays.
- After 19.00 hours on weekdays, Monday to Friday.
- After 13.00 hours on Saturdays.
- Not permitted at any time on Sundays, Bank Holidays or Public Holidays.
- b. Air Quality
- i. During the construction / 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.

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C. Operational Phase

- a. Public House Noise levels from the proposed development shall not be so loud, so continuous, so repeated, of such duration or pitch or occurring at such times as to give reasonable cause for annoyance to a person in any residence, adjoining premises or public place in the vicinity.
- b. Bin storage Bin storage facilities should be adequately serviced with a water supply, drainage and ventilation.
- c. Fumes & Noise from Commercial Units:
- i. The ventilation system shall be adequately filtered and externally vented so as not to cause a nuisance to neighbouring properties.
- ii. Any fumes emitted from the premises shall be minimised and if necessary treated using the Best Available Technology and emitted to the outer air.
- iii. The noise from the operation of the ventilation system shall be attenuated so as not to cause a noise nuisance to nearby residential properties.
- iv. Details to demonstrate compliance with above shall be submitted for the written agreement of the Planning Authority prior to the commencement of any development.
- D. The development shall be so operated that there will be no emissions of malodours, gas, dust, fumes or other deleterious materials, no noise or noise vibration on site as would give reasonable cause for annoyance to any person in any residence, adjoining premises or public place in the vicinity.

REASON: In the interest of public health

6. Implementation of Landscape Plan

The landscaping scheme shown on drawing No. 2251_LP_C Landscape Plan shall be implemented in full, within the first planting season following completion of the development, in addition:

- a) All hard and soft landscape works shall be completed in full accordance with the submitted Landscape Plan (Dwg. No. 2251_LP_C).
- b) All trees, shrubs and hedge plants supplied shall comply with the requirements of BS: 3936, Specification for Nursery Stock. All pre-planting site preparation, planting and post-planting maintenance works shall be carried out in accordance with the requirements of BS: 4428 (1989) Code of Practice for General Landscape Operations (excluding hard surfaces).
- c) All new tree plantings shall be positioned in accordance with the requirements of Table 3 of BS 5837: 2012. Trees in Relation to Design, Demolition and Construction Recommendations.
- d) Any trees, shrubs or hedges planted in accordance with this condition which are removed, die, become severely damaged or become seriously diseased within three years of planting shall be replaced within the next planting season by trees, shrubs or hedging plants of similar size and species to those originally required to be planted.
- e) Removal of the need for underground attenuation and replacement with Natural Suds as per SDCC guidance.

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REASON: To ensure satisfactory landscape treatment of the site which will enhance the character and appearance of the site and the area, in accordance with the policies and objectives contained within Section 8.3.0 Public Open Space Hierarchy and Landscape Setting of the CDP 2016-2022

7. Retention of Landscape Architect

- i) Prior to the commencement of any permitted development, the developer shall appoint and retain the services of a qualified Landscape Architect (or qualified Landscape Designer) as a Landscape Consultant, throughout the life of the construction works and shall notify the planning authority of that appointment in writing prior to commencement.
- ii) A Practical Completion Certificate is to be signed off by the Landscape Architect when all landscape works are fully completed to the satisfaction of the planning authority in accordance with the permitted landscape proposals.
- iii) Installation of attenuation tree pits shall be supervised by the project landscape architect.

REASON: In the interests of residential and visual amenity and to ensure full and verifiable implementation of the approved landscape design.

8. Removal of proposal for underground attenuation

The applicant shall incorporate additional natural SUDS features into the proposed drainage system for the development such as rain gardens, detention basins, filter drains, swales etc. In addition, the applicant shall provide for the removal of proposal for underground attenuation. Guidance on SuDS can be found on the South Dublin County Council Website searching SuDS Guide at sdcc-suds-explanatory-design-and-evaluation-guide.pdf

The applicant shall fill in Table 3.1 – SuDS Measures Rationale and Justification, located under 'Item 3 - Sustainable Urban Drainage Systems, Surface Water and Attenuation and Green Infrastructure' of the Chief Executives Report, in response to the clarification of additional information response. The applicant shall provide clear explanations/rationale for selecting/not selecting additional natural SUDS measures.

REASON: To prevent the increased risk of flooding by ensuring the provision of a satisfactory means of surface water disposal is incorporated into the design and the build and that the principles of sustainable drainage are incorporated into this proposal and maintained for the lifetime of the proposal, in accordance with policies under the CDP 2022-2028.

9. Council Housing Strategy.

The applicant, owner or developer, or any other person with an interest in the land to which the development as approved relates shall, prior to the lodgement of a commencement notice within the meaning of Part II of the Building Control Regulations 1997:

(i) enter into an agreement with the Housing Authority for compliance with the Part V of the Planning and Development Act 2000 (as amended) as referred to in the South Dublin

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County Council Development Plan 2022-2028, providing, in accordance with that section, for the matters referred to in paragraph (a) or (b) of subsection (3) of section 96, and (ii) when the agreement with the Housing Authority for compliance with the Part V of the Planning and Development Act 2000 (as amended) is finalised to the satisfaction of the Housing Authority, a certified copy of the agreement shall be lodged with the Planning Authority.

REASON: To promote social integration consistent with policies/objectives of the Councils Housing Strategy as contained in the South Dublin County Council Development Plan 2022-2028.

10. Financial - Contribution in Lieu of Public Open Space.

The developer shall pay to the Planning Authority a financial contribution of €40, 000 (Forty Thousand Euros), for the purpose of the acquisition or upgrading of small parks, local parks and neighbourhood parks, or to allow provision or upgrade of Regional Parks. The contributions under this condition shall be payable prior to commencement of development or as otherwise agreed in writing by the Council.

REASON: The acquisition and/or upgrade of such facilities will facilitate the proposed development. Per COS5 Obj. 5, it is considered reasonable that the payment of a contribution be required, in respect of public open space 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.

11. Financial Contribution.

The developer shall pay to the Planning Authority a financial contribution of €175, 707.47 (One Hundred and Seventy Five Thousand, Seven Hundred and Seven Euros and Forty Seven 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 Act 2000 (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.

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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.

12. Financial - Cash deposit

Pursuant to this decision, no development shall be commenced until security for the provision, satisfactory completion and maintenance, to the taking in charge standard of South Dublin County Council (outlined in the Councils Taking in Charge Policy), of roads, open spaces, car parks, sewers, watermains, drains and other publicly accessible services required in connection with the development, has been given by:

- (A) Lodgement of a cash deposit of €49, 690.00 (Forty Nine Thousand Six Hundred and Ninety Euros) (amount will be updated at the date of commencement of development in accordance with changes in the Tender Price Index), to be retained by South Dublin County Council and applied by South Dublin County Council at its absolute discretion, if roads, open spaces, car parks, sewers, watermains, drains and other publicly accessible services required in connection with the development are not duly provided, completed and maintained to the taking in charge standard of South Dublin County Council (outlined in the Councils Taking in Charge Policy), or
- (B) By lodgement with South Dublin County Council of an approved Insurance Company Bond or a Bond of any Body approved by the Planning Authority in the sum of €57, 150.00 (Fifty Seven Thousand, One Hundred and Fifty Euros) (amount will be updated at the date of commencement of development in accordance with changes in the Tender Price Index) which shall be kept in force until such time as the roads, open spaces, car parks, sewers, watermains, drains and other public services required in connection with the development are provided, completed and maintained to the taking in charge standard of South Dublin County Council (outlined in the Council's Taking in Charge Policy). The bond shall be coupled with an agreement empowering South Dublin County Council to apply such sum or part thereof of said bond to the satisfactory completion of publicly accessible services in the development.

REASON: To ensure that a ready sanction may be available to South Dublin County Council to induce the provision of public services and safeguard amenity in the development.

13. Irish Water Connection Agreement.

Prior to the commencement of development the applicant or developer shall enter into water and/or wastewater connection agreement(s) with Irish Water.

REASON: In the interest of public health and to ensure adequate water/wastewater facilities.

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NOTE: Where the applicant proposes to connect to a public water/wastewater network operated by Irish Water, the applicant must sign a connection agreement with Irish Water prior to the commencement of the development and adhere to the standards and conditions set out in that agreement.

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.

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REG. REF. SD22A/0285 LOCATION: The Cuckoo's Nest Public House, Greenhills Road, Tallaght, Dublin 24.

Jjohnston 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: 11 April 2023

Mick Mulhern,

Director of Land Use, Planning &

Transportation