

10th March 2017

The Secretary,
An Bord Pleanála,
64 Marlborough Street,
Dublin 1

GVA Planning

2nd Floor Segrave House
19 – 20 Earlsfort Terrace
Dublin 2

T: +353 (0)1 661 8500
F: +353 (0)1 661 8568

gva.ie

RE: DIRECT APPLICATION TO AN BORD PLEANÁLA UNDER SECTION 37E FOR PERMISSION FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE NEW NATIONAL MATERNITY HOSPITAL AT ST. VINCENT'S UNIVERSITY HOSPITAL, ELM PARK, DUBLIN 4.

1. Introduction

On behalf of the Applicant, the Health Service Executive of Oak Tree House, Limetree Avenue, Millenium Park, Naas, Co. Kildare, we GVA, are applying to An Bord Pleanála under section 37E of the Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended, for permission for the development of the proposed new National Maternity Hospital at St. Vincent's University Hospital Campus.

The application is made following the formal notice served by An Bord Pleanála on 3rd March 2017 that the proposed development falls within the scope of paragraphs 37A(2)(a) and (c) of the Planning and Development Act 2000 (as amended) and accordingly the Board decided that the proposed development would be strategic infrastructure within the meaning of Section 37A of the Planning and Development Act (as amended) (Case Reference PL29S.PC0185). The notification from An Bord Pleanála is attached to this letter.

2. Proposed Development

The proposed development comprises the following:

Permission for a period of 10 no. years for the development of the new National Maternity Hospital, comprising: a 244 no. bed maternity hospital; developments for St Vincent's University Hospital (including 38 no. in-patient beds) to replace existing facilities on site; new campus wide shared non-clinical support services; a shared service yard, an extension to the existing multi-storey car park and all ancillary site development, site services, utilities and landscaping works ("the proposed development"), all at the St. Vincent's University Hospital Campus, Elm Park, Dublin 4, D04 T6F4

A full description of the proposed development is enclosed within the planning application documentation enclosed herewith.

GVA Planning is the trading name of GVA Planning and Regeneration Limited registered in the Republic of Ireland number 409687. Registered office, Second Floor, Seagrave House, 19-20 Earlsfort Terrace, Dublin 2.
Directors of the Company: Robert McLoughlin, Gerard Hughes (British), Stephen Brown (British), Sebastian Happel (German).

GVA Planning and Regeneration Limited is an Apleona company.

3. Letters of Support

This Planning Application is accompanied by letters of support from the following bodies:

- The National Maternity Hospital
- St. Vincent's Healthcare Group
- Department of Health
- Ireland East Hospital Group
- UCD Centre for Human Reproduction

4. Documents Submitted as Part of This Application

The Planning Application comprises 6 no. volumes. Enclosed in each of the volumes is the following:

Volume 1: Planning Application Documentation

- Cover Letter to An Bord Pleanála
- Completed An Bord Pleanála Strategic Infrastructure Development Planning Application Form and Schedules
- Copy of the Site Notice
- Copy of Newspaper Notices
- Engagement Process Report
- Letters of Consent from landowner
- Letters of Support
- Schedule of Drawings
- Letters of Consultation with the Prescribed Bodies
- Planning Report
- Natura Impact Statement

Volume 2 – EIS Document

Volume 3 – EIS Appendices

Volume 4 – EIS Photomontages

Volume 5: Reports

- Architectural Design Report
- Engineers Report
- Draft Site Capacity Study

Volume 6: Design Drawings

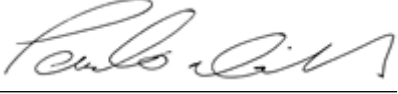
- Architectural Drawings
- Landscape Drawings
- Engineering Drawings

As required by the Board, 10 copies of the entire Planning Application (3 hard copies and 7 digital copies) are enclosed herewith. As instructed, 7 copies (5 hard copies and 2 digital copies) have been furnished to Dublin City Council and further requisite copies of the entire Planning Application have been provided to the prescribed bodies. The payment of the statutory fee of €100,000 has been paid by way of an electronic fund transfer (Reference No. ABP/NMH/01-17). A website containing the entire Planning Application has been set up at the following address: www.nmhplanning.ie

5. Conclusion

We trust that the contents of this planning package are in order, however, should you require any further clarification then please do not hesitate to revert to us. We look forward to receipt of an acknowledgement at your convenience and we await a favourable decision in due course.

Yours faithfully,



Paul O'Neill

Associate

For and on behalf of GVA Planning and Regeneration Limited.

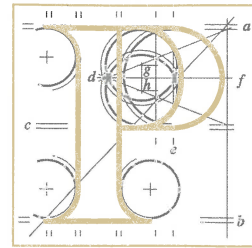
Attached:

- Letter from An Bord Pleanála confirming strategic Infrastructure status.

An Bord Pleanála Correspondence

Our Ref: 29S.PC0185
P.A.Reg.Ref:

Your Ref:



An
Bord
Pleanála

06 MAR 2017

Paul O'Neill
GVA Planning
2nd Floor, Seagrave House
19-20 Earlsfort Terrace
Dublin 2

3rd March 2017

Re: Proposed National Maternity Hospital at St. Vincent's
University Hospital,
Elm Park, Dublin 4

Dear Sir,

Please be advised that following consultations under section 37B of the Planning and Development Act, 2000 as amended, the Board hereby serves notice under section 37B(4)(a) that it is of the opinion that the proposed development falls within paragraphs 37A(2)(a) and (c) of the Act. Accordingly, the Board has decided that the proposed development would be strategic infrastructure within the meaning of section 37A of the Planning and Development Act, 2000, as amended. Any application for permission for the proposed development must therefore be made directly to An Bord Pleanála under section 37E of the Act.

Please also be informed that the Board considers that the pre-application consultation process in respect of this proposed development is now closed.

A copy of the Board Direction dated 2nd March, 2017 is enclosed for your information.

Also attached is a list of prescribed bodies to be notified of the application for the proposed development.

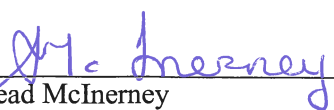
In accordance with section 146(5) of the Planning and Development Act, 2000 as amended, the Board will make available for inspection and purchase at its offices the documents relating to the decision within 3 working days following its decision. This information is normally made available on the list of decided cases on the website on the Wednesday following the week in which the decision is made.

Information is set out over in relation to challenges to the validity of a decision of An Bord Pleanála under the provisions of the Planning and Development Act, 2000, as amended.

If you have any queries in relation to the matter please contact the undersigned officer of the Board.

Please quote the above mentioned An Bord Pleanála reference number in any correspondence or telephone contact with the Board.

Yours faithfully,


Sinead McInerney
Executive Officer
Direct Line: 01-8737295

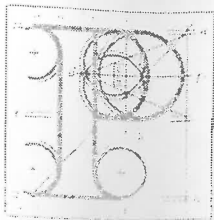
ADHOC/PC0185/04

Tell	Tel	(01) 858 8100
Glaos Áitiúil	LoCall	1890 275 175
Facs	Fax	(01) 872 2684
Láithreán Gréasáin	Website	www.pleanala.ie
Ríomhphost	Email	bord@pleanala.ie



64 Sráid Maoilbhríde
Baile Átha Cliath 1
D01 V902

64 Marlborough Street
Dublin 1
D01 V902



An
Bord
Pleanála

Board Direction

06 MAR 2017

Ref: 29S.PC0185

At a meeting held on 1st March, the Board considered the report of the inspector as well as the documents and submissions on file.

The Board determined that the proposed development is strategic infrastructure development, generally in accordance with the Inspector's reasoning and recommendation.

The Board noted that at the final pre-application meeting (January 25th 2017) the prospective applicant indicated they were aware of the emerging transportation proposal involving closure of the Merrion Gates and associated implications for road traffic in the area, which may have a bearing on the application.

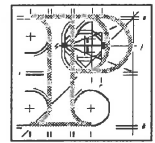
The list of consultees to be updated to include Minister for Health.

Board Member:


Conall Boland

Date: 2nd March 2017

Copy of Direction to issue with notification.



List of Prescribed Bodies

Case Reference/Description	29S.PC0185 – Proposed National Maternity Hospital at St. Vincent's University Hospital, Elm Park, Dublin 4.
Case Type:	S.37E of the Planning and Development Act 2000 (as amended).

The prospective applicant is advised to have regard to article 213 of the Planning and Development Regulations, 2001, as amended, and the following is the list of prescribed bodies to be notified of the application:

- a) Minister for Arts, Heritage, Regional, Rural and Gaeltacht Affairs (Development Applications Unit)
- b) Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment
- c) Minister for Housing, Planning, Community and Local Government
- d) Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport
- e) Minister for Health
- f) Dublin City Council
- g) Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County Council
- h) Transport Infrastructure Ireland
- i) National Transport Authority
- j) Irish Water
- k) An Chomhairle Ealaíon
- l) Fáilte Ireland
- m) An Taisce
- n) The Heritage Council