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Cork City Council

Application for Planning Permission

PLANNING APPLICATION FORM

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BEFORE FILLING OUT THIS FORM PLEASE NOTE THE FOLLOWING:

STANDARD PLANNING APPLICATION FORM AND ACCOMPANYING DOCUMENTATION:

Please ensure that each section of this application form is fully completed and signed. The applicant should enter n/a (not applicable) where appropriate.

Please ensure that all necessary documentation is attached to your application form.

Failure to complete this form or attach the necessary documentation, or the submission of incorrect information or omission of required information will lead to the invalidation of your application.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

It should be noted that each planning authority has its own development plan, which sets out local development policies and objectives for its own area. The authority may therefore need supplementary information (i.e. other than that required in this form) in order to determine whether the application conforms with the development plan and may request this on a supplementary application form.

Failure to supply the supplementary information will not invalidate your planning application. However, if it is not supplied, the planning authority may not be able to reach a decision on whether or not to grant permission on the basis of the information available to it. Therefore failure to supply this information could delay the decision on an application or lead to a refusal of permission.

Applicants should therefore contact the relevant planning authority to determine what local policies and objectives would apply to the development proposed and whether additional information is required.

DATA PROTECTION

"Cork City Council is committed to fulfilling its obligations imposed by the Data Protection Acts 1988 to 2018 and the GDPR. Our privacy statement and data protections policy is available at <https://www.corkcity.ie/en/council-services/public-info/gdpr/>.

We request that you read these as they contain important information about how we process personal data.

PLANNING APPLICATION FORM

1. Name of Relevant Planning Authority: Cork City Council

2. Location of Proposed Development:

Postal Address or Townland or Location (as may best identify the land or structure in question)	Former Vita Cortex Plant, Kinsale Road and Pearse Road, Cork.
Ordnance Survey Map Ref No (and the Grid Reference where available) <input type="checkbox"/>	1:2500: 6247-05 and 6382-25 ITM 567689.3365, 5701360.6957

3. Type of planning permission (please tick appropriate box):

- ☒ Permission
- ☐ Permission for retention
- ☐ Outline Permission
- ☐ Permission consequent on Grant of Outline Permission

4. Where planning permission is consequent on grant of outline permission:Outline Permission Register Reference Number: N/A

Date of Grant of Outline Permission: ____ / ____ / ____

5. Name of Applicant:

Name(s)	BML Duffy Property Group Limited
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6. Where Applicant is a Company (registered under the Companies Acts 1963 to 2017):

Name(s) of company director(s)	Mike Duffy, Barry Duffy, Laura Purcell Matt Merrick
Company Registration No.	608927

7. Name of Person/Agent acting on behalf of the Applicant (if any):

Name	Rory Hanrahan, Coakley O'Neill Town Planning Ltd.
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8. Name of Person responsible for preparation of Drawings and Plans:

Name	Anna Bartkowska-Burke
Firm / Company	Burke-Kennedy Doyle Architects, 2 nd Floor Europa House, Block 9, Harcourt Centre, Harcourt Street, Dublin 2.

9. Description of Proposed Development:

Brief description of nature and extent of development ⁴	<p>Permission for development which will consist of a Large-Scale Residential Development (LRD) on the brownfield site of the former Vita Cortex Plant, Kinsale Road and Pearse Road, Cork. The proposed development will consist of a Large-Scale Residential Development (LRD) of 170no. residential units (158no. apartments and 12no. townhouse apartments, to include 51no. 1-bed units, 84no. 2-bed units, 35no. 3-bed units) arranged in 4no. blocks varying in height from four to part eight/part nine storeys over ground. The proposed development also includes: a crèche, café and management office on the ground floor level of Block 3 and 4no. retail units on the ground floor level of Block 4; 514no. bicycle spaces, including 162no. visitor spaces, located either in 4no. bike sheds at undercroft level and ground level, or on the public plaza at ground level; 9no. motorcycle spaces, and 82no. shared car parking spaces (including 13no. EV spaces and 6no. accessible spaces, 3no. of which are EV spaces) at undercroft level and ground level; the provision of private, communal and public open space, including all balconies and terraces; rooftop solar panels and green roofs; internal roads and pathways; new vehicular and pedestrian access points from Kinsale Road and Pearse Road, including a terraced entrance, with cycle wheel ramp, from Pearse Road; 6no. bin stores at undercroft level and ground level; the relocation and upgrade of 1no. ESB substation; signage; and all associated site development works, drainage, including nature-based SuDS measures, and all hard and soft landscaping and boundary treatments. The proposed development will also facilitate the future implementation of BusConnects along Kinsale Road. The application relates to a development which comprises or is for the purpose of an activity requiring an Integrated Pollution Control Licence issued by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).</p>
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10. Legal Interest of Applicant in the Land or Structure:

Please tick appropriate box to show applicant's legal interest in the land or structure	A. Owner	B. Occupier
	C. Other <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Where legal interest is 'Other', please expand further on your interest in the land or structure	The applicant (BML Duffy Property Group Limited) is the developer	
If you are not the legal owner , please state the name of the owner and supply a letter from the owner consenting to the making of this application.	<i>(Owner's Address to be supplied at question 1.5 of this form)</i> Fronville Limited Cork City Council	

11. Site Area:

Area of site to which the application relates in hectares	1.21 ha
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12. Where the application relates to a building or buildings:

Gross floor space ⁵ of any existing building(s) in m ²	c.34.1m ²
Gross floor space of proposed works in m ²	17, 575 m ² (excluding basement)
Gross floor space of work to be retained in m ² (if appropriate)	N/A
Gross floor space of any demolition in m ² (if appropriate)	N/A

13. In the case of mixed development (e.g. residential, commercial, industrial, etc), please provide breakdown of the different classes of development and breakdown of the gross floor area of each class of development:

Class of Development	Gross floor area in m ²
Class 14b Residential (excluding Basement 3,165 m ²).	15,930m ²
Class 14c (Retail/Childcare/Café/Office/Substation/ Bin/Bikes Stores)	1,645m ²

14. In the case of residential development please provide breakdown of residential mix:

Number of	Studio	1 Bed	2 Bed	3 Bed	4 Bed	4+ Bed	Total
Houses	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Apartments	-	51	84	35	-	-	170

Number of car-parking spaces to be provided	Existing: 0		Proposed: 82		Total: 82		

15. Where the application refers to a material change of use of any land or structure or the retention of such a material change of use:

Existing use ⁶ (or previous use where retention permission is sought)	N/A
Proposed use (or use it is proposed to retain)	N/A
Nature and extent of any such proposed use (or use it is proposed to retain)	N/A

16. Social and Affordable Housing

Please tick appropriate box	Yes	No
Is the application an application for permission for development to which Part V of the Planning and Development Act 2000 applies? ⁷	√	
<p>If the answer to the above question is “yes” and the development is not exempt (see below), you must provide, as part of your application, details as to how you propose to comply with section 96 of Part V of the Act including, for example,</p> <p>(i) Details of such part or parts of the land which is subject to the application for permission or is or are specified by the Part V agreement, or houses situated on such aforementioned land or elsewhere in the planning authority’s functional area proposed to be transferred to the planning authority, or details of houses situated on such aforementioned land or elsewhere in the planning authority’s functional area proposed to be leased to the planning authority, or details of any combination of the foregoing, and</p> <p>(ii) Details of the calculations and methodology for calculating values of land, site costs, normal construction and development costs and profit on those costs and other related costs such as an appropriate share of any common development works</p>	<p>Preliminary proposals to satisfy the developer’s Part V obligations to include 20no. units (10% applies as site purchased prior to 1.8.2021) comprising 4no. 1-bed apartments; 8no. 2 bed apartments; 2no. 3 bed apartments; 4no. 2-bed townhouses; 2no. 3-bed townhouses. It is intended at this juncture to enter into an arrangement with Cork City Council for these units.</p>	

<p>as required to comply with the provisions in Part V of the Act.</p> <p>If the answer to the above question is “yes” but you consider the development to be exempt by virtue of section 97 of the Planning and Development Act 2000⁸, please submit a copy of the Certificate of Exemption under section 97 (or, where an application has been made but has not yet been decided, please submit a copy of the application).</p> <p>If the answer to the above question is “no” by virtue of section 96(14) of the Planning and Development Act 2000⁹, please submit details indicating the basis on which section 96(14) is considered to apply to the development.</p>	<p>Preliminary costings have been provided by the applicant and are enclosed with this submission.</p>	
<p>Date the lands subject of the application were purchased by the applicant?</p>	<p>Lands were purchased prior to the 1st August 2021</p>	

17. Development Details

Please tick appropriate box	<i>Yes</i>	<i>No</i>
Does the proposed development consist of work to a protected structure and/or its curtilage or proposed protected structure and/or its curtilage?		√
Does the proposed development consist of work to the exterior of a structure which is located within an architectural conservation area (ACA)?		√
Does the application relate to development which affects or is close to a monument or place recorded under section 12 of the National Monuments (Amendment) Act, 1994 ¹⁰		√
Does the application relate to work within or close to a European Site (under S.I. No.94 of 1997) or a Natural Heritage Area?		√
Does the proposed development require the preparation of an Environmental Impact Statement ¹¹ ?		√
Does the application relate to a development which comprises or is for the purpose of an activity requiring an	√	

Integrated Pollution Control Licence issued by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)?		
Does the application relate to a development which comprises or is for the purposes of an activity requiring a waste licence?		√
Do the Major Accident Regulations apply to the proposed development?		√
Does the application relate to a development which comprises or is for the purpose of an activity requiring an Industrial Emissions Directive Licence issued by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)?		√
Does the application relate to a development in a Strategic Development Zone?		√
Does the proposed development involve the demolition of any habitable house ¹² ?		√

18. Site History

Details regarding site history (if known)
<p>Has the site in question ever, to your knowledge, been flooded?</p> <p>Yes [<input type="checkbox"/>] No [<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>]</p> <p>If yes, please give details e.g. year, extent.</p> <p>Are you aware of previous uses of the site e.g. dumping or quarrying?</p> <p>Yes [<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>] No [<input type="checkbox"/>]</p> <p>If yes, please give details.</p> <p>Former Vita Cortex Plant (now demolished and site remediated). EPA Licence to be surrendered</p>
Are you aware of any valid planning applications previously made in respect of this land/structure?

<p>Yes [<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>] No [<input type="checkbox"/>]</p> <p>If yes, please state planning reference number(s) and the date(s) of receipt of the planning application(s) by the planning authority if known:</p> <p>Reference No.: 24/42868 Date: 18/4/2024 21/40647 12/11/2021 99/23020 16/3/1999</p> <p>If a valid planning application has been made in respect of this land or structure in the 6 months prior to the submission of this application, then the site notice must be on a yellow background in accordance with Article 19(4) of the Planning and Development Regulations 2001 as amended.</p>
<p>Is the application for the same development or for development of the same description as an application for permission for development which is the subject of an appeal to An Bord Pleanála?</p>
<p>Yes [<input type="checkbox"/>] No [<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>]</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>An Bord Pleanála Reference No.:</i> _____</p>

19. Pre-application Consultation

<p>Has a pre-application consultation taken place in relation to the proposed development ¹⁴?</p>
<p>Yes [<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>] No [<input type="checkbox"/>]</p> <p>If yes, please give details:</p> <p>Reference No. (if any): <u>195/23 and 56/24</u> (S247 Meetings)</p> <p>Date(s) of consultation: <u>07/02/2024 and 14 /05/ 2024</u></p> <p>Persons involved: Applicants Agents and Cork City Development Management Team</p> <hr/> <p>Reference No. (if any): <u>07-24</u> (S32B)</p> <p>Date(s) of consultation: <u>20/ 11/ 2024</u></p> <p>Persons involved: __ Applicants Agents and Cork City Development Management Team</p>

20. Services

Proposed Source of Water Supply
Existing connection <input type="checkbox"/> New connection <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Public Mains <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Group Water Scheme <input type="checkbox"/> Private Well <input type="checkbox"/>
Other (please specify): _____
<i>Name of Group Water Scheme (where applicable)</i> _____
Proposed Wastewater Management/Treatment
Existing <input type="checkbox"/> New <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Public Sewer <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Conventional septic tank system <input type="checkbox"/>
Other on-site treatment system <input type="checkbox"/> Please specify _____
Proposed Surface Water Disposal
Public Sewer/Drain <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Soakpit <input type="checkbox"/>
Watercourse <input type="checkbox"/> Other <input type="checkbox"/> Please specify _____

21. Details of Public Notice


Approved newspaper ¹⁵ in which notice was published	The Echo
Date of publication	12 th June 2025
Date on which site notice was erected	12 th June 2025

22. Application Fee

<i>Fee Payable</i>	€33,944
<i>Basis of Calculation</i>	Class 14b: 170no. units *€130 per unit = €22,100

	<p>Class 14c: 1,645m² non-residential floorspace *€7.20/m² = €11,844</p> <p>Total: €33,944</p> <p>Fee as agreed with David Foley via email on the 9th April, 2025.</p> <p>Please note fee was paid by EFT on the 6th June 2025 with the Reference 'Kinsale Road LRD'.</p>
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I hereby declare that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the information given in this form is correct and accurate and fully compliant with the Planning & Development Act 2000, as amended, and the Regulations made thereunder:

<i>Signed</i> <i>(Applicant or Agent</i> <i>as appropriate)</i>	
	Rory Hanrahan
	Coakley O'Neill Town Planning Ltd, NSC Campus, Mahon, Cork (Agent)
<i>Date</i>	12 th June 2025

NB Please ensure that, where appropriate, the attached Supplementary Application Form is also fully completed.

An applicant will not be entitled solely by reason of a planning permission to carry out the development. The applicant may need other consents, depending on the type of development. For example, all new buildings, extensions and alterations to, and certain changes of use of existing buildings must comply with building regulations, which set out basic design and construction requirements.

Privacy & Data Protection:

Personal information is collected by Cork City Council to enable the Planning Authority to process your application for planning permission. Legally the Planning Authority can process this information as it has been obtained with your consent and it is necessary in order to comply with statutory/legal obligations.

The protection of your personal data is a key priority for the Council and your data will be processed in line with the Council's Privacy Policy which is available at <https://www.corkcity.ie>

Should you have any questions about the Council's Privacy Policy or the information that Cork City Council hold about you, please contact the Council by email to dataprotection@corkcity.ie or write to the Data Protection Officer, Cork City Council, City Hall, Cork, Ireland.

The planning process is an open and public one.

In that context, all planning applications and supporting documentation submitted will be available publicly to view online and at the Planning Authority offices.

The Planning Authority publish weekly lists of planning applications received as well as weekly lists of planning decisions. This information is placed on Cork City Council's website in accordance with the policy of the Planning Authority.

SUPPLEMENTARY APPLICATION FORM

Please answer all questions fully

1. Is this application in respect of a redevelopment to the family home: Yes [] No [☒]

N.B – The *family home* above must be your permanent private residence.
Your response will determine the level of Development Contribution payable.

2. If the response to **Question 1** is Yes and if the Applicant's address supplied at **Question 1.1** is not the location of the proposed development, please clarify why this is the case:

N/A

3. Schedule of Floor Areas and Uses

- (a) A schedule of proposed floor areas and uses shall be provided with all applications. **Included**
- (b) Where a change of use is proposed, a Schedule of existing/permitted uses and floor areas shall be provided. **N/A**
- (c) For Residential/Apartment development, a Schedule of floor areas of each unit shall be provided. **Included**

I hereby declare that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the information given in this form is correct and accurate.



Signed:

Date: 12th June 2025

Rory Hanrahan, Coakley O'Neill Town Planning Ltd, NSC Campus, Mahon, Cork T12 H7AA
(Agent for the applicant) (Applicant or Agent as appropriate)

This form should be accompanied by the following documentation:

Please note that if the appropriate documentation is not included, your application will be deemed invalid.

ALL Planning Applications

- X The relevant page of newspaper that contains notice of your application
- X A copy of the site notice
- X 6 copies of site location map¹⁶
- X 6 copies of site or layout plan ¹⁶⁺¹⁷
- X 6 copies of plans and other particulars required to describe the works to which the development relates (include detailed drawings of floor plans, elevations and sections – except in the case of outline permission)
- X The appropriate Planning Fee

Where the applicant is not the legal owner of the land or structure in question:

- X The written consent of the owner to make the application

Where the application is for residential development that is subject to Part V of the 2000 Act:

- X Details of the manner in which it is proposed to comply with section 96 of Part V of the Act including, for example,
 - (i) details of such part of the land which is subject to the application for permission or is or are specified by the Part V agreement, or houses situated on such aforementioned land or elsewhere in the planning authority's functional area proposed to be transferred to the planning authority, or details of houses situated on such aforementioned land or elsewhere in the planning authority's functional area proposed to be leased to the planning authority, or details of any combination of the foregoing, and
 - (ii) details of the calculations and methodology for calculating values of land, site costs, normal construction and development costs and profit on those costs and other related costs such as an appropriate share of any common development works as required to comply with the provisions in Part V of the Act.

Or

- ☐ A certificate of exemption from the requirements of Part V

Or

- ☐ A copy of the application submitted for a certificate of exemption.

Where the application is for residential development that is not subject to Part V of the 2000 Act by virtue of section 96(13) of the Act:

- ☐ Information setting out the basis on which section 96(13) is considered to apply to the development.

Where the disposal of wastewater for the proposed development is other than to a public sewer:

- ☐ Information on the on-site treatment system proposed and evidence as to the suitability of the site for the system proposed.

Where the application refers to a protected structure/ proposed protected structure/ or the exterior of a structure which is located within an architectural conservation area (ACA):

- ☐ Photographs, plans and other particulars necessary to show how the development would affect the character of the structure.

Applications that refer to a material change of use or retention of such a material change of use:

- ☐ Plans (including a site or layout plan and drawings of floor plans, elevations and sections which comply with the requirements of Article 23) and other particulars required describing the works proposed.

Where an application requires an Environmental Impact Statement:

- ☐ An Environmental Impact Statement

Applications that are exempt from planning fees:

- ☐ Proof of eligibility for exemption¹⁸

Directions For Completing This Form.

1. Grid reference in terms of the Irish Transverse Mercator.
2. “The applicant” means the person seeking the planning permission, not an agent acting on his or her behalf.
3. Where the plans have been drawn up by a firm/company the name of the person primarily responsible for the preparation of the drawings and plans, on behalf of that firm/company, should be given.
4. A brief description of the nature and extent of the development, including reference to the number and height of buildings, protected structures, etc.
5. Gross floor space means the area ascertained by the internal measurement of the floor space on each floor of a building; i.e. Floor areas must be measured from inside the external wall.
6. Where the existing land or structure is not in use, please state most recent authorised use of the land or structure.
7. Part V of the Planning and Development Act 2000 as amended applies where –
 - the land is zoned for residential use or for a mixture of residential and other uses;
 - there is an objective in the Development Plan for the area for a percentage of the land to be made available for social and/or affordable housing; and
 - the proposed development is not exempt from Part V.
8. Under section 97 of the Planning and Development Act 2000 as amended, applications involving development of 9 or fewer houses or development on land of less than 0.1 hectare may be exempt from Part V.
9. Under section 96(14) of the Planning and Development Act 2000 as amended, Part V does not apply to certain housing developments by approved voluntary housing bodies, certain conversions, the carrying out of works to an existing house or the development of houses under an agreement made under section 96 of the Act.
10. The Record of Monuments and Places, under section 12 of the National Monuments Amendment Act 1994, is available, for each county, in the local authorities and public libraries in that county. Please note also that if the proposed development affects or is close to a national monument which, under the National Monuments Acts 1930 to 2004, is in the ownership or guardianship of the Minister for the Environment, Heritage and Local Government or a local authority or is the subject of a preservation order or a temporary preservation order, a separate statutory consent is required, under the National Monuments Acts, from the Minister for the Environment, Heritage and Local Government. For information on whether national

monuments are in the ownership or guardianship of the Minister for the Environment, Heritage and Local Government or a local authority or are the subject of preservation orders, contact the National Monuments Section, Department of the Environment, Heritage and Local Government (1890 20 20 21).

11. An Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) is required for classes of development prescribed by Article 93 and Schedule 5 of the Planning and Development Regulations 2001-2015. In accordance with Article 103 of the Planning and Development Regulations 2001, an EIS may also be required for developments below the prescribed threshold if the planning authority considers that the development is likely to have significant effects on the environment or, where the development would be located on or in an area, site, etc. set out in Article 103(2), it considers that the development would be likely to have significant effects on the environment of that area, site, etc.
12. Demolition of a habitable house requires planning permission.
13. The appeal must be determined or withdrawn before another similar application can be made.
14. A formal pre-application consultation may only occur under Section 247 of the Planning and Development Act 2000. While it is not mandatory, a pre-planning consultation is recommended. The applicant should contact the planning authority to arrange specific times and locations. In the case of residential development to which Part V of the 2000 Act applies, applicants are advised to avail of the pre-application consultation facility in order to ensure that a Part V agreement in principle can be reached in advance of the planning application being submitted.
15. The list of approved newspapers, for the purpose of giving notice of intention to make a planning application, is available from the planning authority to which the application will be submitted.
16. All plans, drawings and maps submitted to the planning authority should be in accordance with the requirements of the Planning and Development Regulations 2001-2015.
17. The location of the site notice(s) should be shown on site location map.
18. See Schedule 9 of Planning and Development Regulations 2001. If a reduced fee is tendered, details of previous relevant payments and planning permissions should be given. If exemption from payment of fees is being claimed under Article 157 of the 2001 Regulations, evidence to prove eligibility for exemption should be submitted.
19. The name and address of the Applicant and Agent (if any) should be included here.