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1.0 INTRODUCTION

AWN Consulting Ltd. (AWN) has prepared this Operational Waste Management Plan (OWMP) on behalf of Malclose Limited. in support of a planning application to Dublin City Council for a student development at Gowan House, Carriglea Business Park, Naas Road, Dublin 12, D12 RCC4.

This OWMP has been prepared to ensure that the management of waste during the operational phase of the proposed Development is undertaken in accordance with the current legal and industry standards including, the Waste Management Act 1996 as amended and associated Regulations ¹, Environmental Protection Agency Act 1992 as amended ², Litter Pollution Act 1997 as amended ³, the *'Eastern-Midlands Region (EMR) Waste Management Plan 2015 – 2021*, ⁴ , *the Draft National Waste Management Plan for a Circular Economy (NWMPCE) (2023)*, ⁵ and Dublin City Council (DCC) 'Dublin City Council (Storage, Presentation and Segregation of Household and Commercial Waste) Bye-Laws' 2018 ⁶. In particular, this OWMP aims to provide a robust strategy for the storage, handling, collection and transport of the wastes generated at Site.

This OWMP aims to ensure maximum recycling, reuse and recovery of waste with diversion from landfill, wherever possible. The OWMP also seeks to provide guidance on the appropriate collection and transport of waste to prevent issues associated with litter or more serious environmental pollution (e.g. contamination of soil or water resources). The plan estimates the type and quantity of waste to be generated from the proposed development during the operational phase and provides a strategy for managing the different waste streams.

At present, there are no specific national guidelines in Ireland for the preparation of OWMPs. Therefore, in preparing this document, consideration has been given to the requirements of national and regional waste policy, legislation and other guidelines.

2.0 OVERVIEW OF WASTE MANAGEMENT IN IRELAND

2.1 National Level

The Irish Government issued a policy statement in September 1998 titled as *'Changing Our Ways'* ⁶ which identified objectives for the prevention, minimisation, reuse, recycling, recovery and disposal of waste in Ireland. A heavy emphasis was placed on reducing reliance on landfill and finding alternative methods for managing waste. Amongst other things, Changing Our Ways stated a target of at least 35% recycling of municipal (i.e. household, commercial and non-process industrial) waste.

A further policy document *'Preventing and Recycling Waste – Delivering Change'* was published in 2002⁷. This document proposed a number of programmes to increase recycling of waste and allow diversion from landfill. The need for waste minimisation at source was considered a priority.

This view was also supported by a review of sustainable development policy in Ireland and achievements to date, which was conducted in 2002, entitled *'Making Irelands Development Sustainable – Review, Assessment and Future Action'*⁸. This document also stressed the need to break the link between economic growth and waste generation, again through waste minimisation and reuse of discarded material.

In order to establish the progress of the Government policy document *Changing Our Ways*, a review document was published in April 2004 entitled *'Taking Stock and Moving Forward'*⁹. Covering the period 1998 – 2003, the aim of this document was to assess progress to date with regard to waste management in Ireland, to consider developments since the policy framework and the local authority waste management

plans were put in place, and to identify measures that could be undertaken to further support progress towards the objectives outlined in *Changing Our Ways*.

In particular, *Taking Stock and Moving Forward* noted a significant increase in the amount of waste being brought to local authority landfills. The report noted that one of the significant challenges in the coming years was the extension of the dry recyclable collection services.

In September 2020, the Irish Government published a new policy document outlining a new action plan for Ireland to cover the period of 2020-2025. This plan 'A Waste Action Plan for a Circular Economy' ¹⁰ (WAPCE), was prepared in response to the 'European Green Deal' which sets a roadmap for a transition to a new economy, where climate and environmental challenges are turned into opportunities, replacing the previous national waste management plan "A Resource Opportunity" (2012).

The WAPCE sets the direction for waste planning and management in Ireland up to 2025. This reorientates policy from a focus on managing waste to a much greater focus on creating circular patterns of production and consumption. Other policy statements of a number of public bodies already acknowledge the circular economy as a national policy priority.

The policy document contains over 200 measures across various waste areas including circular economy, municipal waste, consumer protection and citizen engagement, plastics and packaging, construction and demolition, textiles, green public procurement and waste enforcement.

One of the first actions to be taken was the development of the Whole of Government Circular Economy Strategy 2022-2023 'Living More, Using Less' (2021) ¹¹ to set a course for Ireland to transition across all sectors and at all levels of Government toward circularity and was issued in December 2021. It is anticipated that the Strategy will be updated in full every 18 months to 2 years.

The Circular Economy and Miscellaneous Provisions Act 2022 ¹² was signed into law in July 2022. The Act underpins Ireland's shift from a "take-make-waste" linear model to a more sustainable pattern of production and consumption, that retains the value of resources in our economy for as long as possible and that will to significantly reduce our greenhouse gas emissions. The Act defines Circular Economy for the first time in Irish law, incentivises the use of recycled and reusable alternatives to wasteful, singleuse disposable packaging, introduces a mandatory segregation and incentivised charging regime for commercial waste, streamlines the national processes for End-of-Waste and By-Products decisions, tackling the delays which can be encountered by industry, and supporting the availability of recycled secondary raw materials in the Irish market, and tackles illegal fly-tipping and littering.

Since 1998, the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has produced periodic *'National Waste (Database) Reports'*¹³ detailing, among other things, estimates for household and commercial (municipal) waste generation in Ireland and the level of recycling, recovery and disposal of these materials. The *2020 National Waste Statistics web resource*, which is the most recent study published, along with the national waste statistics web resource (December 2022) reported the following key statistics for 2020:

- **Generated** Ireland produced 3,210,220 t of municipal waste in 2020. This is a 4% increase since 2019. This means that the average person living in Ireland generated 645 kg of municipal waste in 2020.
- **Managed –** Waste collected and treated by the waste industry. In 2020, a total of 3,180,620 t of municipal waste was managed and treated.

- **Unmanaged** –Waste that is not collected or brought to a waste facility and is, therefore, likely to cause pollution in the environment because it is burned, buried or dumped. The EPA estimates that 29,600 t was unmanaged in 2020.
- **Recovered** The amount of waste recycled, used as a fuel in incinerators, or used to cover landfilled waste. In 2020, around 84% of municipal waste was recovered an increase from 83% in 2019.
- **Recycled** The waste broken down and used to make new items. Recycling also includes the breakdown of food and garden waste to make compost. The recycling rate in 2020 was 41%, which is up from 37% in 2019.
- **Disposed** 16% of municipal waste was landfilled in 2020. This is an increase from 15% in 2019.

2.2 Regional Level

The development is located in the Local Authority administrative area of Dublin City Council (DCC).

The EMR Waste Management Plan 2015 – 2021 is the regional waste management plan for the DCC area which was published in May 2015. Currently the EMR and other regional waste management plans are under review and the Regional Waste Management Planning Offices have issued a Draft NWMPCE in June 2023.

The regional plan sets out the following strategic targets for waste management in the region that are relevant to the development:

- A 1% reduction per annum in the quantity of household waste generated per capita over the period of the plan;
- Achieve a recycling rate of 50% of managed municipal waste by 2020; and
- Reduce to 0% the direct disposal of unprocessed residual municipal waste to landfill (from 2016 onwards) in favour of higher value pre-treatment processes and indigenous recovery practices.

Municipal landfill charges in Ireland are based on the weight of waste disposed. In the Leinster Region, charges are approximately €130-150 per tonne of waste, which includes a €75 per tonne landfill levy introduced under the Waste Management (Landfill Levy) (Amendment) Regulations 2015.

The Draft NWMPCE does not dissolve the three regional waste areas. The NWCPCE sets the ambition of the plan to have a 0% total waste growth per person over the life of the Plan with an emphasis on non-household wastes including waste from commercial activities and the construction and demolition sector.

The draft NWMPCE sets out the following strategic targets for waste management in the region that are relevant to the proposed development:

1a. (Residual Municipal Waste) 1% Reduction / person /year – Waste decline for landfill or recovery by thermal treatment.

2. (Contamination of Materials) 90% of Material in Compliance – Contamination of recycling and food waste with other materials

3a. (Reuse of Materials) 10kg Per person / year – Reuse of materials like cloths or furniture to prevent waste.

The *Dublin City Development Plan 2022 – 2028*¹⁴ sets out a number of policies and objectives for Dublin City in line with the objectives of the National climate action policy and emphasises the need to take action to address climate action across all sectors of society and the economy. In the waste sector, policy on climate action is focused on a shift towards a 'circular economy' encompassing three core principles: designing out

waste and pollution; keeping products and material in use; and regenerating natural systems. Further policies and objectives can be found within the development plan.

Policies:

- CA8 F: minimising the generation of site and construction waste and maximising reuse or recycling.
- CA23: The Circular economy: To support the shift towards the circular economy approach as set out in 'a Waste Action Plan for a Circular Economy 2020 to 2025, Ireland's National Waste Policy, or as updated.
- CA24: To have regard to existing Best Practice Guidance on Waste Management Plans for Construction and Demolition Projects as well as any future updates to these guidelines in order to ensure the consistent application of planning requirements.
- SI27: Sustainable Waste Management: To support the principles of the circular economy, good waste management and the implementation of best practice in relation to waste management in order for Dublin City and the Region to become self-sufficient in terms of resource and waste management and to provide a waste management infrastructure that supports this objective.
- SI28: To prevent and minimise waste generation and disposal, and to prioritise prevention, recycling, preparation for reuse and recovery in order to develop Dublin as a circular city and safeguard against environmental pollution.
- SI29: Segregated Storage and Collection of Waste Streams: To require new commercial and residential developments, to include adequate and easily accessible storage space that supports the separate collection of as many waste and recycling streams as possible, but at a minimum general domestic waste, dry recyclables and food waste as appropriate.
- SI30: To require that the storage and collection of mixed dry recyclables, organic and residual waste materials within proposed apartment schemes have regard to the Sustainable Urban Housing: Design Standards for New Apartments Guidelines for Planning Authorities 2018 (or and any future updated versions of these guidelines produced during the lifetime of this plan).

Objectives:

- SIO14 Local Recycling Infrastructure: To provide for a citywide network of municipal civic amenity facilities/ multi-material public recycling and reuse facilities in accessible locations throughout the city in line with the objectives of the circular economy and 15 minute city.
- SIO16 Eastern-Midlands Region Waste Management Plan: To support the implementation of the Eastern-Midlands Regional Waste Management Plan 2015–2021 and any subsequent plans in order to facilitate the transition from a waste management economy towards a circular economy.

2.3 Legislative Requirements

The primary legislative instruments that govern waste management in Ireland and applicable to the project are:

- Waste Management Act 1996, as amended;
- Environmental Protection Agency Act 1992, as amended;
- Litter Pollution Act 1997, as amended;
- Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended ¹⁵; and
- Circular Economy and Miscellaneous Provisions Act 2022

These Acts and subordinate Regulations enable the transposition of relevant European Union Policy and Directives into Irish law.

One of the guiding principles of European waste legislation, which has in turn been incorporated into the *Waste Management Act 1996* as amended and subsequent Irish legislation, is the principle of *"Duty of Care"*. This implies that the waste producer is responsible for waste from the time it is generated through until its legal disposal (including its method of disposal.) As it is not practical in most cases for the waste producer to physically transfer all waste from where it is produced to the final disposal area, waste contractors will be employed to physically transport waste to the final waste disposal site.

It is therefore imperative that the residents and tenants and the proposed facilities management company undertake on-site management of waste in accordance with all legal requirements and employ suitably permitted/licenced contractors to undertake off-site management of their waste in accordance with all legal requirements. This includes the requirement that a waste contactor handle, transport and reuse/recover/recycle/dispose of waste in a manner that ensures that no adverse environmental impacts occur as a result of any of these activities.

A collection permit to transport waste must be held by each waste contractor which is issued by the National Waste Collection Permit Office (NWCPO). Waste receiving facilities must also be appropriately permitted or licensed. Operators of such facilities cannot receive any waste, unless in possession of a Certificate of Registration (COR) or waste permit granted by the relevant Local Authority under the *Waste Management (Facility Permit & Registration) Regulations 2007* as amended or a waste or IE (Industrial Emissions) licence granted by the EPA. The COR/permit/licence held will specify the type and quantity of waste able to be received, stored, sorted, recycled, recovered and/or disposed of at the specified site.

2.3.1 <u>Dublin City Council Waste Management Bye-Laws</u>

The DCC "Dublin City Council (Storage, Presentation and Segregation of Household and Commercial Waste) Bye-Laws (2018)" were bought into force in May 2019. These bye-laws repeal the previous Bye-Laws for the Storage, Presentation and Collection of Household and Commercial Waste. The bye-laws set a number of enforceable requirements on waste holders with regard to storage, separation and presentation of waste within the DCC administrative area. Key requirements under these bye-laws of relevance to the operational phase of the development include the following:

- Kerbside waste presented for collection shall not be presented for collection earlier than 5.00 pm on the day immediately preceding the designated waste collection day;
- All containers used for the presentation of kerbside waste and any uncollected waste shall be removed from any roadway, footway, footpath or any other public place no later than 10:00 am on the day following the designated waste collection day, unless an alternative arrangement has been approved in accordance with bye-law 2.3;
- Documentation, including receipts, is obtained and retained for a period of no less than one year to provide proof that any waste removed from the premises has been managed in a manner that conforms to these bye-laws, to the Waste Management Act and, where such legislation is applicable to that person, to the European Union (Household Food Waste and Bio-Waste) Regulations 2015; and
- Adequate access and egress onto and from the premises by waste collection vehicles is maintained.

The full text of the bye-laws is available from the DCC website.

2.4 Regional Waste Management Service Providers and Facilities

Various contractors offer waste collection services in the DCC region. Details of waste collection permits (granted, pending and withdrawn) for the region are available from the NWCPO.

As outlined in the regional waste management plan, there is a decreasing number of landfills available in the region. Only three municipal solid waste landfills remain operational and are all operated by the private sector. There are a number of other licensed and permitted facilities in operation in the region including waste transfer stations, hazardous waste facilities and integrated waste management facilities. There are two existing thermal treatment facilities, one in Duleek, Co. Meath and a second facility in Poolbeg in Dublin.

The Kylemore Park North Ballyfermot Bring Centre is, located c. 2km north of the development site, can be utilised by residents of the proposed development for other household waste streams. This centre can accept Books, Gas Cylinder, Hazardous Waste, Construction And Demolition Waste, Varnish, Paints, Light Bulbs, White Goods, Electrical Items, Batteries, Tetra Pak, Metals, Glass, Garden (Green) Waste, Food Waste and Soft Plastic. There is also a bring bank located c. 1.1km northwest of the development site at the Cottage Inn, where glass and aluminium cans can be deposited.

A copy of all CORs and waste permits issued by the Local Authorities are available from the NWCPO website and all waste/IE licenses issued are available from the EPA.

3.0 DESCRIPTION OF THE PROJECT

3.1 Location, Size and Scale of the Development

Malclose Limited intend to apply to Dublin City Council for permission for a large-scale residential development principally comprising student accommodation at this 0.962 Ha site at Gowan House, Carriglea Business Park, Naas Road, Dublin 12, D12 RCC4.

Works to upgrade of the access road to the west of the site on an area measuring c. 0.087 Ha are also proposed comprising new surfacing to the carriageway, the provision of inbound and outbound bicycle lanes from the development entrance to the Naas Road, the provision of a controlled pedestrian crossing on the access road at the Naas Road junction, and the provision of a further uncontrolled pedestrian and bicycle crossing linking the subject site with the approved Concorde SHD development (ABP Ref: TA29S.312218) to the west.

On the Naas Road, works are proposed on an area measuring c. 0.062 Ha comprising the realignment of the existing pedestrian footpath along the outbound carriageway of the Naas Road to facilitate a possible future bicycle lane, including the provision of linkages from the realigned footpath to the development site.

The development site area and roadworks areas will provide a total application site area of c. 1.11 Ha.

The proposed development will principally consist of: the demolition of the existing twostorey office/warehouse building and outbuilding (5,172 sq m); and the construction of a development in two blocks (Block 1 (eastern block) is part 2 No. storeys to part 15 No. storeys over lower ground floor and basement levels with roof plant over and Block 2 (western block) is part 9 No. storeys to part 11 No. storeys over basement with roof plant over) principally comprising 941 No. Student Accommodation bedspaces (871 No. standards rooms, 47 No. accessible studio rooms and 23 No. studios) with associated facilities, which will be utilised for short-term lets during student holiday periods. The 871No. standard rooms are provided in 123 No. clusters ranging in size from 3 No. bedspaces to 8 No. bedspaces, and all clusters are served by a communal living/kitchen/dining room.

The development also provides: ancillary internal and external communal student amenity spaces and support facilities; cultural and community floor space (1,422 sq m internal and 131 sq m external) principally comprising a digital hub and co-working space with ancillary cafe; a retail unit (250 sq m); public open space; the daylighting of the culverted River Camac through the site; a pedestrian bridge link at first floor level between Blocks 1 and 2; vehicular access at the south-western corner; the provision of 7 No. car-parking spaces, 2 No. motorcycle parking spaces and 2 No. set down areas; bicycle stores at ground and lower ground floor levels; visitor cycle parking spaces; bin stores; substations; hard and soft landscaping; roof gardens; green and blue roofs; new telecommunications infrastructure at roof level of Block 1 including antennas and microwave link dishes, 18 No. antennas and 6 No. transmission dishes, together with all associated equipment; boundary treatments; plant; lift overruns; and all associated works above and below ground.

The gross floor area of the development is c. 33,140 sq m comprising c. 30,386 sq m above lower ground and basement level.

3.2 Typical Waste Categories

The typical non-hazardous and hazardous wastes that will be generated at the proposed development will include the following:

- Dry Mixed Recyclables (DMR) includes wastepaper (including newspapers, magazines, brochures, catalogues, leaflets), cardboard and plastic packaging, metal cans, plastic bottles, aluminium cans, tins and Tetra Pak cartons;
- Organic waste food waste and green waste generated from internal plants/flowers;
- Glass; and
- Mixed Non-Recyclable (MNR)/General Waste.

In addition to the typical waste materials that will be generated at the development on a daily basis, there will be some additional waste types generated in small quantities which will need to be managed separately including:

- Green/garden waste may be generated from internal plants / flowers;
- Batteries (both hazardous and non-hazardous);
- Waste electrical and electronic equipment (WEEE) (both hazardous and non-hazardous);
- Printer cartridges/toners;
- Chemicals (paints, adhesives, resins, detergents, etc.);
- Light bulbs;
- Textiles (rags);
- Waste cooking oil (if any generated by the residents, commercial tenants or cultural tenants);
- Furniture (and from time to time other bulky wastes); and
- Abandoned bicycles.

Wastes should be segregated into the above waste types to ensure compliance with waste legislation and guidance while maximising the re-use, recycling and recovery of waste with diversion from landfill wherever possible.

3.3 European Waste Codes

In 1994, the *European Waste Catalogue*¹⁶ and *Hazardous Waste List*¹⁷ were published by the European Commission. In 2002, the EPA published a document titled the *European Waste Catalogue and Hazardous Waste List*¹⁸, which was a condensed version of the original two documents and their subsequent amendments. This document has recently been replaced by the EPA '*Waste Classification – List of Waste & Determining if Waste is Hazardous or Non-Hazardous*'¹⁹ applicable from 5th July 2018. This waste classification system applies across the EU and is the basis for all national and international waste reporting, such as those associated with waste collection permits, CORs, permits and licences and EPA National Waste Database.

Under the classification system, different types of wastes are fully defined by a code. The List of Waste (LoW) code for typical waste materials expected to be generated during the operation of the proposed development are provided in Table 3.1 below.

Waste Material	LoW Code
Paper and Cardboard	20 01 01
Plastics	20 01 39
Metals	20 01 40
Mixed Non-Recyclable Waste	20 03 01
Glass	20 01 02
Biodegradable Kitchen Waste	20 01 08
Oils and Fats	20 01 25
Textiles	20 01 11
Batteries and Accumulators*	20 01 33* - 34
Printer Toner/Cartridges*	20 01 27* - 28
Green Waste	20 02 01
WEEE*	20 01 35*-36
Chemicals (solvents, pesticides, paints & adhesives, detergents, etc) *	20 01 13*/19*/27*/28/29*30
Bulky Wastes	20 03 07

 Table 3.1
 Typical Waste Types Generated and LoW Codes

* Individual waste type may contain hazardous materials

4.0 ESTIMATED WASTE ARISINGS

A waste generation model (WGM) developed by AWN has been used to predict waste types, weights and volumes arising from operations within the proposed development. The WGM incorporates building area and use and combines these with other data including Irish and US EPA waste generation rates.

The estimated quantum/volume of waste that will be generated from the student units has been determined based on the predicted occupancy of the units, while the floor area usage (m^2) has been used to estimate the waste arising from the commercial and cultural/community units.

Waste generated from the shared student amenity space has been included in the waste figures for the student accommodation blocks and will be stored within the Student (residential) waste bins.

The estimated waste generation for the development for the main waste types is presented in Table 4.1, below.

Table 4.1 Estimated waste generation for the proposed development for the main waste types				
	Waste Volume (m ³ / week)			
Waste Type	Student Units (combined)	Cultural/ Community Space	Retail	
Organic Waste	5.10	0.16	0.09	
DMR	34.88	2.14	1.87	
Glass	1.97	0.09	0.05	
MNR	20.28	1.31	0.78	
Total	62.24	4.69	2.70	

*BS5906:2005 Waste Management in Buildings – Code of Practice*²⁰ has been considered in the calculations of waste estimates. AWN's modelling methodology is based on recently published data and data from numerous other similar developments in Ireland and is based on AWN's experience, it provides a more representative estimate of the likely waste arisings from the development.

5.0 WASTE STORAGE AND COLLECTION

This section provides information on how waste generated within the site will be stored and collected. This has been prepared with due consideration of the site layout as well as best practice standards, local and national waste management requirements, including those of DCC. In particular, consideration has been given to the following documents:

- BS 5906:2005 Waste Management in Buildings Code of Practice,
- EMR Waste Management Plan 2015 2021;
- The Draft NWMPCE (2023);
- Dublin City Council Development Plan 2022 2028 (Appendix 7)
- DCC Dublin City Council (Storage, Presentation and Segregation of Household and Commercial Waste) Bye-Laws (2018); and
- DoHLGH, Sustainable Urban Housing: Design Standards for New Apartments, Guidelines for Planning Authorities (2023)²¹.

Waste Storage Areas

Student Accommodation

Two (2 no.) Waste Storage Areas (WSAs) have been allocated across the two blocks, in the design of this development for residential use, both located at ground floor level.

Commercial Unit and Cultural / Community Space

One (1 no.) WSA has been allocated for use by the Commercial Unit and Cultural / Community Space tenants in Block 2. This WSA is located at ground floor level in Block 2.

The locations of all WSAs can be viewed in Figure 5.1 below and on the drawings submitted with the planning application under separate cover.

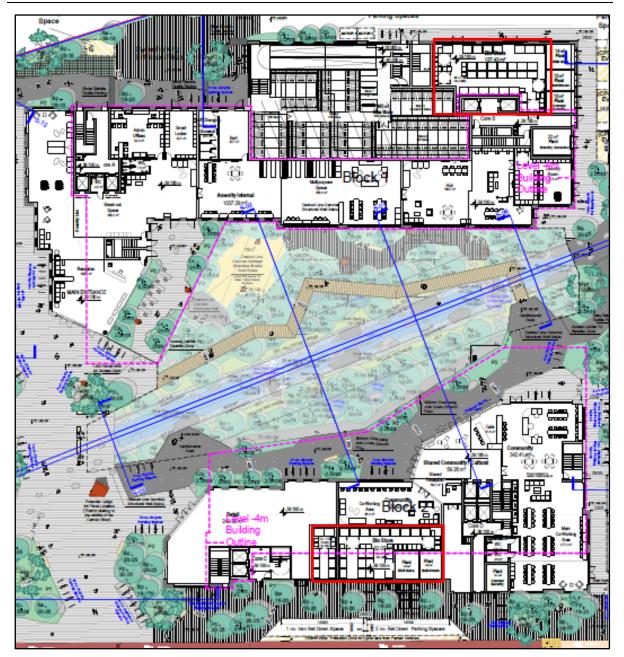


 Figure 5.1
 Waste Storage Area locations

Facilities management will supply all residents and tenants with a document that shall clearly state the methods of source waste segregation, storage, reuse and recycling initiatives that shall apply within the development.

Using the estimated waste generation volumes in Table 4.1, the waste receptacle requirements for MNR, DMR, organic waste, glass, cardboard and plastic have been established for the WSAs. These are presented in Table 5.1. The WSAs have been appropriately sized to accommodate the weekly waste requirements for waste receptacles. It is envisaged that all waste types will be collected on a weekly basis.

Table 5 1

	Bins Requirements			
Area/Use	MNR ¹	DMR ²	Organic	Glass
Student Accommodation Bin Requirements (Combined)	19 x 1100 L	32 x 1100 L	22 x 240 L	9 x 240 L
Commercial Unit and Cultural / Community Space Bin Requirements (Shared)	2 x 1100 L	5 x 1100 L	2 x 240 L	1 x 240 L

Waste storage requirements for the proposed development

Note: 1 = *Mixed Non-Recyclables*

2 = Dry Mixed Recyclables

The waste receptacle requirements have been established from distribution of the total weekly waste generation estimates into the holding capacity of each receptacle type. Waste storage receptacles as per Table 5.1, above, (or similar appropriate approved containers) will be provided by the facilities management company in the WSAs.

As outlined in the current *Dublin City Development Plan*, it is preferable to use 1,100 L wheelie bins for waste storage, where practical. However, in the case of organic and glass waste, it is considered more suitable to use smaller waste receptacles due to the weight of bins when filled with organic and glass waste. The use of 240 L bins, as recommended in Table 5.1, will reduce the manual handling impacts on the facilities management personnel and waste contractor employees.

The types of bins used will vary in size, design and colour dependent on the appointed waste contractor. However, examples of typical receptacles to be provided in the WSAs are shown in Figure 5.2. All waste receptacles used will comply with the SIST EN 840-1:2020 and SIST EN 840-2:2020 standards for performance requirements of mobile waste containers, where appropriate.



Figure 5.2Typical waste receptacles of varying size (240 L and 1100 L)

Receptacles for organic, mixed dry recyclable, glass and mixed non-recyclable waste will be provided in the WSAs prior to first occupation of the development i.e. prior to the first student unit or commercial unit being occupied.

This Plan will be provided to each resident/student and tenants from first occupation of the development i.e. once the first student unit or commercial unit is occupied. This Plan will be supplemented, as required, by the property management company with any new information on waste segregation, storage, reuse and recycling initiatives that are subsequently introduced.

5.1 Waste Storage – Student Accommodation

Students in the accommodation will be required to segregate waste into the following main waste streams:

- DMR;
- MNR;
- Organic Waste; and
- Glass.

Segregated bins for DMR, MNR, organic waste and glass will be provided within the kitchens of the student cluster units by the Operator. Additional bins for segregation of DMR and MNR will also be provided in the common areas, where appropriate. Students will be required to segregate their waste as above into the provided receptacles in accordance with the terms of the letting agreements of the Operator (The Student Housing Company).

No food macerators will be installed within any area of the student accommodation building.

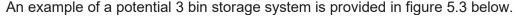




Figure 5.3 Example three bin storage system to be provided within the development design

All bins/containers will be clearly labelled and colour coded to avoid cross contamination of the different waste streams. Signage will be posted on or above the bins to show which wastes can be put in each bin.

As required, the students will bring waste from within their clusters to the dedicated WSA. Students on the floors above ground level will use the lifts or stairs of their building to bring waste to the ground floor. Students will be provided with access fobs/key/code by the Operator to access the WSA. Building cleaning staff will bring waste from within the common areas to the WSA as required.

Larger segregated waste receptacles (as per Table 5.1) will be provided by the building management company in the WSA. Receptacles will also be labelled, and colour coded to avoid cross contamination.

Other waste materials such as batteries, printer toner/cartridges and WEEE may be generated infrequently in the student accommodation areas. Students will be required to identify suitable temporary storage areas for these waste items themselves and

dispose of them appropriately. Further details on additional waste types can be found in Section 5.4.

5.2 Waste Storage – Commercial and Cultural Units (Commercial Tenants)

The commercial tenants will be required to segregate waste within their own unit into the following main waste types:

- DMR;
- MNR;
- Organic Waste; and
- Glass.

The commercial tenants will be required to take their segregated waste materials to their designated WSA and deposit their segregated waste into the appropriate waste receptacle.

Suppliers for the tenants will be requested by the tenants to make deliveries in reusable containers, minimize packaging or remove any packaging after delivery, where possible, to reduce waste generated by the proposed development.

If any kitchens are allocated in these units, this will contribute a significant portion of the volume of waste generated on a daily basis, and as such it is important that adequate provision is made for the storage and transfer of waste from these areas to the WSA.

If kitchens are required it is anticipated that waste will be generated in kitchens throughout the day, primarily at the following locations:

- Food Storage Areas (i.e. cold stores, dry store, freezer stores and stores for decanting of deliveries);
- Meat Preparation Area;
- Vegetable Preparation Area;
- Cooking Area;
- Dish-wash and Glass-wash Area; and
- Bar Area.

Small bins will be placed adjacent to each of these areas for temporary storage of waste generated during the day. Waste will then be transferred from each of these areas to the appropriate waste store.

All waste receptacles in the tenants' areas as well as in their respective WSAs will be clearly labelled and colour coded to avoid cross contamination of the different waste streams. Signage will be posted above or on the waste receptacles to show exactly which wastes can be put in each.

Other waste materials such as textiles, batteries, lightbulbs, WEEE, cooking oil and printer toner / cartridges will be generated less frequently. The tenants will be required to store these waste types within their own units and arrange collection with an appropriately licensed waste contractor. Facilties management may arrange collection, depending on the agreement. Further details on additional waste types can be found in Section 5.4.

5.3 Waste Collection

There are numerous private contractors that provide waste collection services in the DCC area. All waste contractors servicing the proposed development must hold a valid waste collection permit for the specific waste types collected. All waste collected must be transported to registered/permitted/licensed facilities only.

Prior to collection, bins/bales will be brought to the staging area by the facilities management company located at the Loading Bay in Zone 1 & Zone 4, illustrated in Figure 5.4 below. The staging areas are such that they will not obstruct traffic or pedestrians (allowing a footway path of at least 1.8m, the space needed for two wheelchairs to pass each other) as is recommended in the *Design Manual for Urban Roads and Streets* (2022)²³.

The waste collection vehicle will stop adjacent to the Loading Bay and the bins/bales will be collected. Bins will be returned to their respective WSAs immediately following collection.



Figure 5.4 Locations of loading bays / Collection points (Zone 1 & Zone 4)

A tracking exercise for waste vehicles and larger version of figure 5.4 is included in Appendix 2 of this report.

It is recommended that bin collection times/days are staggered to reduce the number of bins required to be emptied at once and the time the waste vehicle is onsite. This will be determined during the process of appointment of a waste contractor.

5.4 Additional Waste Materials

In addition to the typical waste materials that are generated on a daily basis, there will be some additional waste types generated from time to time that will need to be managed separately. A non-exhaustive list is presented below.

Green/garden waste

Green/garden waste may be generated from internal plants/flowers. Green waste generated from internal plants/flowers can be placed in the organic waste bins in the WSA. If substantial green waste is produced by the commercial tenants it can be removed by a landscape contractor.

Batteries

A take-back service for waste batteries and accumulators (e.g. rechargeable batteries) is in place in order to comply with the S.I. No. 283/2014 - European Union (Batteries and Accumulators) Regulations 2014, as amended. In accordance with these regulations, consumers are able to bring their waste batteries to their local civic amenity / recycling centre or can return them free of charge to retailers which supply the equivalent type of battery, regardless of whether or not the batteries were purchased at the retail outlet and regardless of whether or not the person depositing the waste battery purchases any product or products from the retail outlet.

The commercial tenants cannot use the civic amenity centre. They must segregate their waste batteries and either avail of the take-back service provided by retailers or arrange for recycling / recovery of their waste batteries by a suitably permited / licenced contractor. Facilties management may arrange collection, depending on the agreement.

Waste Electrical and Electronic Equipment (WEEE)

The WEEE Directive (Directive 2002/96/EC) and associated Waste Management (WEEE) Regulations have been enacted to ensure a high level of recycling of electronic and electrical equipment. In accordance with the regulations, consumers can bring their waste electrical and electronic equipment to their local civic amenity / recycling centre. In addition, consumers can bring back WEEE within 15 days to retailers when they purchase new equipment on a like for like basis. Retailers are also obliged to collect WEEE within 15 days of delivery of a new item, provided the item is disconnected from all mains, does not pose a health and safety risk and is readily available for collection.

As noted above, the commercial tenants cannot use the civic amenity centre. They must segregate their WEEE and either avail of the take-back / collection service provided by retailers or arrange for recycling / recovery of their WEEE by a suitably permited / licenced contractor. Facilities management may arrange collection, depending on the agreement.

Printer Cartridge/Toners

It is recommended that a printer cartridge / toner bin is provided in the commercial units where appropriate. The commercial tenants will be required to store this waste within their unit and arrange for return to retailers or collection by an authorised waste contractor, as required.

Waste printer cartridge / toners generated by residents can usually be returned to the supplier free of charge or can be brought to a civic amenity / recycling centre.

Chemicals (solvents, pesticides, paints, adhesives, resins, detergents, etc)

Chemicals (such as solvents, paints, adhesives, resins, detergents, etc) are largely generated from building maintenance works. Such works are usually completed by external contractors who are responsible for the off-site removal and appropriate recovery / recycling / disposal of any waste materials generated.

Any waste cleaning products or waste packaging from cleaning products generated in the commercial units that is classed as hazardous (if they arise) will be appropriately stored within the tenant's own space. Facilties management may arrange collection, depending on the agreement.

Any waste cleaning products or waste packaging from cleaning products that are classed as hazardous (if they arise) generated by the residents should be brought to a civic amenity / recycling centre.

Light Bulbs

Waste light bulbs (fluorescent, incandescent and LED) may be generated by lighting at the commercial units. It is anticipated that the commercial tenants will be responsible for the off-site removal and appropriate recovery / disposal of these wastes. Facilities management may arrange collection, depending on the agreement.

Light bulbs generated by residents should be taken to the nearest civic amenity / recycling centre for appropriate storage and recovery / disposal.

<u>Textiles</u>

Where possible, waste textiles should be recycled or donated to a charity organisation for reuse. The residents and tenants will be responsible for disposing of waste textiles appropriately.

Waste Cooking Oil

If the commercial tenants use cooking oil, waste cooking oil will need to be stored within the unit on a bunded area or spill pallet and regular collections by a dedicated waste contractor will need to be organised as required. Under sink grease traps will be installed in any cooking space.

If the residents generate waste cooking oil, this can be brought to a civic amenity / recycling centre or placed in the organic bin.

Furniture (and other bulky wastes)

Furniture and other bulky waste items (such as carpet, etc.) may occasionally be generated by the residents and commercial tenants. The collection of bulky waste will be arranged, as required by the commercial tenants. If residents wish to dispose of furniture, this can be brought a civic amenity / recycling centre.

Abandoned Bicycles

Bicycle parking areas are planned for the development. As happens in other developments, residents sometimes abandon faulty or unused bicycles and it can be difficult to determine their ownership. Abandoned bicycles should be donated to charity if they arise.

5.5 Waste Storage Area Design

The WSAs have been designed to meet the requirements of relevant design standards, including:

- BS 5906:2005 Waste Management in Buildings Code of Practice,
- Be fitted with a non-slip floor surface;
- Provide ventilation to reduce the potential for generation of odours with a recommended 6-10 air changes per hour for a mechanical system for internal WSAs;
- Provide suitable lighting a minimum Lux rating of 400 is recommended;
- Be easily accessible for people with limited mobility;
- Be restricted to access by nominated personnel only;
- Be supplied with hot or cold water for disinfection and washing of bins;
- Be fitted with suitable power supply for power washers;
- Have a sloped floor to a central foul drain for bins washing run-off;
- Have appropriate signage placed above and on bins indicating correct use;
- Have access for potential control of vermin, if required; and
- Be fitted with CCTV for monitoring.

The facilities management company and residents will be required to maintain the resident bins and storage areas in good condition as required by the DCC Waste Bye-Laws.

6.0 SHORT TERM SUMMER LETTING

Over the summer period it is envisaged that the traditional student term residents will vacate the premises. During this period, it would be the intention of this development to accommodate summer language students. This would be the same principal use as the normal student term and would mean there would be no projected changes to the proposed waste management and waste servicing of the development.

7.0 CONCLUSIONS

In summary, this OWMP presents a waste strategy that addresses all legal requirements, waste policies and best practice guidelines and demonstrates that the required storage areas have been incorporated into the design of the development.

Implementation of this OWMP will ensure a high level of recycling, reuse and recovery at the development. All recyclable materials will be segregated at source to reduce waste contractor costs and ensure maximum diversion of materials from landfill, thus contributing to the targets set out in the *EMR Waste Management Plan 2015 – 2021*.

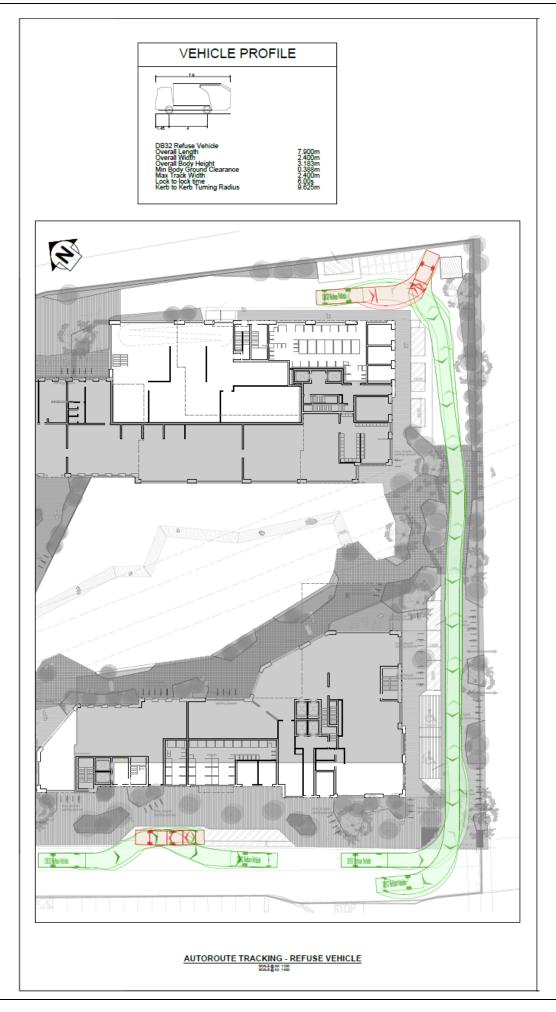
Adherence to this plan will also ensure that waste management at the development is carried out in accordance with the requirements of the *DCC Waste Bye-Laws*.

The waste strategy presented in this document will provide sufficient storage capacity for the estimated quantity of segregated waste. The designated areas for waste storage will provide sufficient room for the required receptacles in accordance with the details of this strategy.

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9.0 APPENDIX 1: ROAD SWEEP ANALYSIS FOR REFUSE TRUCK



10.0 APPENDIX 2: STAGING AND COLLECTION POINTS

