

To The Chairperson and Members
Of Central Area Committee

8th December 2020

With reference to a Naming and Numbering proposals for the development(s) at the site that is known as City Block 3, Dublin 1 that is south of Sheriff Street Upper, east of New Wapping Street, north of Mayor Street Upper and west of Alexandra Terrace.

Development information.

This is a mixed development consisting of retail and mixed residential units together with access by a new pedestrian street and laneway within the site that is south of Sheriff Street Upper, east of New Wapping Street, north of Mayor Street Upper and west of Alexandra Terrace as set out on Planning Ref DSDZ 2186/20 (see attached map).

Address Proposal for the site address name.

The developer has submitted that the site address be recorded as “*Cooper’s Cross* / *Crois an Chúipéara*”, Mayor Street Upper, Dublin 1.

Address Proposal for the Pedestrian Street and Laneways.

The developer has submitted that the pedestrian street and laneways be named as follows;

1. The pedestrian street that goes east to west (Alexandra Terrace to New Wapping Street within the site) be named as Vinegar Walk / *Siúlán an Fhíneagair*.
2. The eastern vertical pedestrian Street that goes north to south (from the east/west pedestrian street [Vinegar Walk] to Mayor Street Upper within the site) be named as Grainger Walk / *Siúlán Ghráinséir*.
3. The western vertical pedestrian lane that goes north to south (from the east/west pedestrian Street [Vinegar Walk] that ends in a cul-de-sac within the site) be named as Grainger Row / *Rae Ghráinséir*.

Address Proposal for the apartment buildings.

The developer has submitted that the buildings be addressed, in a continuity sequence remedy, (individual residential dwellings are addressed by floor numbering with chronological sequencing) as follows:

- i. Block 3A1, as shown upon the attached map, be addressed as “Bond House / Teach an Bhanna” *Cooper’s Cross*, Mayor Street Upper, Dublin 1, with 106 dwellings units therein.
- ii. Block 3A2, as shown upon the attached map, be addressed as “Mariner Hall / Halla an Mhairnéalaigh”, *Cooper’s Cross*, Mayor Street Upper, Dublin 1, with 124 dwellings units therein.
- iii. Block 3B1, as shown upon the attached map, be addressed as “Glazier House / Teach an Ghloineadóra”, *Cooper’s Cross*, Mayor Street Upper, Dublin 1, with 102 dwellings units therein and café and management suite at Ground Floor.
- iv. Block 3D1, as shown upon the attached map, be addressed as “Grainger Row / Rae Ghráinséir”, *Cooper’s Cross*, Mayor Street Upper, Dublin 1, with 9 dwellings units therein.

- v. Block 3D2, as shown upon the attached map, be addressed as “Blacksmith House / Teach an Ghabha Dhuibh”, Cooper’s Cross, Mayor Street Upper, Dublin 1, with 57 dwellings units therein.
- vi. Block 3E2, as shown upon the attached map, be addressed as “Mill Hall / Halla an Mhuilinn”, Cooper’s Cross, Mayor Street Upper, Dublin 1, with 74 dwellings units therein.

Naming Methodology

The developer has submitted that “*Cooper’s Cross*” has been so-named to establish a clear connection between the new development and the craft heritage of those people who once worked on these same lands. Among the many tradesmen that practice their craft was the “Cooper” (barrel makers; known as an extremely skilled multi-disciplinary trade). Hundreds of Coopers found good work on this site. As the City of Dublin expanded rapidly the demand for valuable whale oils, (used to fuel Dublin Street lights) spirits, vinegar, and other barrelled goods increased. Equally, merchandise from local and national producers were barrelled and exported to the world through Dublin Port.

The submitted building, street and lane names are named after other trades and work that was found on or adjoining the development site; that together gives a snapshot of the immense diversity of the work and people within the area. The Bond House was a customs warehouse adjoining the Coopers yard and the locally known “The Mariner” was a church established for the workers or the area. Vinegar Walk is homage to the charcoal and wood vinegar factory on the Sheriff Street front of the site. Other such crafts once found on or adjoining the site that contributed to the heritage of the area were Glaziers and Blacksmiths.

The Parish of St. Barnabas Church was established in 1866 and Grainger Walk is named after the charismatic Revd John Grainger (1830-91) being the first person appointed to “The Mariner”.

Heritage Officer Report

The City Councils’ Heritage Officer has considered the proposed names and gives a recommendation that the names are appropriate.

Recommendation

Naming proposal for the site address, as set out above, and the address proposal for the buildings upon the site address together with individual unit numbers for each of the apartment blocks is considered suitable and is recommended for adoption.

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