

**Housing, Community & Emergency Services Department
South East Area Office**

**To the Chairperson and Members of the
South East Area Committee**

**Naming and numbering proposal for a mixed commercial and residential development
at the intersection of Boyne Street and Sandwith Street, Dublin 2**

Plás na Canálach Móire/Grand Canal Place

A request to name and number a mixed commercial and residential development at the intersection of Boyne Street and Sandwith Street Dublin 2 has been received.

The applicant has chosen the name 'Grand Canal Place' as the subject is located in the Grand Canal Docks area and the name is not in use. The site is located within the Grand Canal Dock area as per maps provided. See attachments. He also states: There is no building in the district or post code area of Dublin 2 with the same name.

The Acting Manager Land Surveying and Mapping has approved the numbering scheme Grand Canal Place. 1- 85 for residential units, A Grand Canal Place for the retail unit. The development is shown on attached map SM: 202-0020.

The Heritage Officer does not consider the proposed name appropriate "I cannot see any justification for naming this development after the Grand Canal, which is some distance away from the junction of Sandwith Street and Boyne Street. Furthermore the term 'Place' refers to an area not a building."

The applicant was asked to consider alternative names reflecting existing local place names – such as "Sandwith House". Other possibilities may be the names of architects who designed buildings in the immediate vicinity. The early 20th century corporation housing scheme across the road from this development was designed by George Luke O'Connor and the neighbouring historic Post Office Garage on Sandwith Street designed by John Matthew Fairweather. Alternatively the applicant is advised to carry out historical research to identify the previous uses on the site or immediate vicinity that may make a useful building name.

In subsequent correspondence it was suggested that the applicant consider names such as "Sandwith House" or "Boyne House" or names associated with the Battle of the Boyne or the Boyne River in determining a suitable name for the development.

There is an existing place name "Grand Canal Place."

Accordingly the scheme is not recommended for approval.

**Karl Mitchell
Executive Manager South City**