PROPERTY MANAGEMENT STRATEGY REPORT

PARKGATE STREET BLOCKS B1 & C

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CLIENT

RUIRSIDE DEVELOPMENTS LTD





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ABOUT US



Section 1 - About us

Aramark Property is the largest dedicated property and facilities management company in Ireland.

We have been providing clients with property management services and strategic advice across all classes of property for over 70 years.

Our property and facilities management team are supported by a multi-disciplinary team which includes a dedicated sustainability consultancy division, a building consultancy and professional services team, energy specialists and health & safety advisors.

Aramark Property is one of a portfolio of companies that form Aramark Ireland.

The group is headquartered in Dublin and is part of the global Aramark Corporation, an international services group with an annual turnover of over \$18 billion. In Ireland, Aramark works across property, facilities, & food services including retailing as Avoca.



155+ EMPLOYEES



250M+

ANNUAL RENT

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120M+

ANNUAL S/C



10,000 residential units



75

INDUSTRIAL & TECHNOLOGY BUSINESS PARKS

100+

OFFICE BLOCKS

35+



RETAIL SHOPPING CENTRES & RETAIL PARKS



25+





Summary of Relevant Experience

Aramark Property is the largest dedicated property management provider in Ireland, with over 40 years' experience in residential, office, retail, and mixed-use developments. Some of our relevant case studies on major schemes that involve residential management would include:

- Beacon South Quarter
- One Lime Street
- OPUS
- Capital Dock

Our role within these developments includes the property management of the common areas, internal demises, and estate areas, as well as management of some individual stakeholder's properties. Each estate has several interested parties, and it is Aramark's role to maintain the estate and common areas to a high standard as well as meeting the requirements of the different interested parties.









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MANAGEMENT STRATEGY SUMMARY



Section 2 – Management Strategy Summary

Aramark Property have been instructed by Ruirside Developments Ltd, to provide a report on the property management strategy for their proposed residential development, on a site currently occupied by Hickeys' Fabrics on Parkgate Street, Dublin 8.

As with any residential scheme, the main challenge for the Developer will be to maintain a secure, peaceful, and attractive environment on a 24/7 basis while each residential occupiers in the development carry out their business.

The intention of this report is to set out the management strategy for the scheme post construction in order to demonstrate how once operational, the mechanics of the residential and estate property management will work in practice and be maintained to the highest standards.





Development Description

The proposed development comprises mixed use residential, community and commercial redevelopment (c. 25,777 sq m gross floor area), accommodated in 2no. blocks (Block Bl and Block C) ranging in height from 8 to 13 storeys with basement and undercroft, and including: 316no. apartments (178no. 1-bed units and 138no. 2-bed units), with associated private balconies on north, south, east and west building elevations and communal roof terraces at Levels 07, 08, 09 and 12; ancillary internal residents' amenity facilities (c.226 sq m); co-working/community/cultural space available for public hire (c.496 sq. m); ground level retail (c.147 sq. m).

And all associated and ancillary demolition, conservation, landscaping and site development works, including:

- Public open space (c.1,430 sq. m), including a plaza and riverside walkway.
- Residents' communal open space courtyard at ground level between Blocks B1 and C.
- Conservation, refurbishment, repair and adaption of existing protected structures, including:
 - Entrance stone archway (protected structure) to be conserved, refurbished, repaired and adapted for use as pedestrian access to proposed residents' communal open space, entrance foyers to Block Bl and Blocks Cl, C2 and C3 and ancillary amenities.
 - Riverside stone wall (protected structure) to be conserved, refurbished, repaired and adapted, including partial demolition comprising the enlargement of existing opes and creation of new opes and lintel treatments for incorporation within the riverside stone wall, as part of the proposed riverside amenity walkway.
 - Turret (protected structure) at the eastern end of the riverside stone wall to be conserved, refurbished, repaired and adapted as an integrated part of riverside stone wall and proposed amenity walkway.
 - Square Tower on riverfront (protected structure) to be conserved, refurbished, repaired and adapted as an integrated part of riverside stone wall proposed and amenity walkway.
- Conservation, refurbishment, repair and adaption of the larger of the two riverfront gabled building ('River Building') for use as gym for residents of the development, accessible from Block C1 undercroft and residents' courtyard at ground level, and incorporation of building as integrated part of riverside stone wall and proposed riverside amenity walkway.



- Conservation, refurbishment, repair and adaption of the southern façade of the smaller riverfront gabled building as part of riverside wall and incorporated with the amenity walkway. Demolition of the remainder of the building fabric.
- Demolition of all other structures within the former Hickey's Fabrics site, including the large single storey warehouse building with curved wall to Parkgate Street and all warehouse internal walls and partitions including the southern brick wall running parallel to the interior of the riverside stone wall, a small two storey building adjacent to the entrance stone archway and the former 2-storey detached house (Parkgate House) at the north west corner of the site, and other miscellaneous structures.
- 2no. new pedestrian site entrances at Parkgate Street, connecting to proposed public plaza and the proposed riverside amenity walkway.
- Ino. new vehicular access via Parkgate Street to surface areas at western edge of the site.
- 24 no. car parking spaces (total) at surface.
- 742 no. bicycle parking spaces (total) at surface, undercroft and basement levels.
- Ancillary plant, bin storage and remote storage at ground and basement levels.
- Ancillary plant and telecommunications antennae at roof level.
- Solar panels on the roof of proposed Blocks B and C.
- Ancillary works along the southern footpath on Parkgate Street and in the public roadway, including new loading bay, removal of recycling bins and Dublin Bikes Station No. 92 and surface water drainage works including new sections of pipework.

At No. 42A Parkgate Street, Dublin 8 (Protected Structures on site).

CGI Image of Proposed Development



APPOINTMENT OF PROPERTY MANAGING AGENT

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Section 3 - Appointment of Property Managing Agent & Associated Responsibilities

The timing of the appointment of an experienced property management agent by the applicant and subsequent engagement between the agent and the developer would be recommended to take place at least nine months in advance of completion. Our experience shows that the successful outcome on completion can be aided when a property management agent is in place to consult and advise on the operational management strategy.

The property management agent would be appointed to manage the estate & common areas on behalf of the landlord / owners and to ensure that the scheme is well managed, and the development is maintained to an extremely high level in line with the planning application for this scheme. The property agents will be responsible for setting the operational service charge budget for the common areas and the estate. To effectively manage the development an annual budget would be billed to the owners on a quarterly in advance basis to ensure enough funds are received to enable effective management of the scheme.





Figure 5: Proposed Structure – Hierarchy of Title





AMENITY CONSIDERATIONS & MANAGEMENT PLAN



Section 4 – Amenity Considerations & Management Plan

The development has been designed with quality of amenity space as a central consideration. A proposed mix of amenities at various differing floor levels is provided for the residents.

The consented development, as amended, will continue to deliver a mix of residential, retail and café/restaurant uses in accordance with its mixed use Z5 zoning. In addition to providing a high-quality residential scheme at upper levels, the ground level units and areas remain primarily given over to active uses, including retail, café/restaurant, public and private amenities, and open space, which animate Parkgate Street and the surrounding public realm.

The proposed public open space will have the potential to accommodate uses such as farmers markets and outdoor cinema events, subject to appropriate separate licensing and consents. Block A also delivers residential co-working space as part of its suite of internal residential amenities.

Open Space (Private, Communal, Public)

The development has been designed with quality of amenity space as a central consideration for the residents. Throughout the scheme there are several areas which are dedicated to resident use. Blocks B1 and C have shared amenity spaces on the lower ground floors for the use of all residents ensuring an active ground floor realm with clear pedestrian connections and surveillance of all areas.



Public Open Space:

The proposed new apartments will benefit from the proposed communal courtyard and public riverside walkway at ground floor/street level.

Communal Open Space:

The proposed development will benefit from the permitted communal private courtyard at ground floor level as well at roof terrace.

Each space will be professionally landscaped

with seating and planting on each garden space (see landscape drawings and HQA for further information. Glass balustrades and planters feature around the perimeter of the roof gardens for safety and security.

Private Open Space:

Private balconies/winter gardens/terraces are provided for each proposed apartments within block B1 & C as external amenity with areas provided to achieve (or in some cases exceed) the requirements set out in the Sustainable Urban Housing Design Standards for New Apartments Guidelines for Planning Authorities (2023). Entrance Lobbies, Circulation and Safety:

Residents and their visitors will enter either through the main entrance from Parkgate Street and before travelling towards the vertical circulation core which allows access to their unit. Access to all entrances and circulation cores will be secured by fob access. Management of Estate Community and Amenities

Management Offices

The development will have a designated management / concierge office, this office will focus on management of the residents as well as the overall estate and the overarching management of the scheme, with an emphasis on security, pedestrian access, waste marshalling area, parcel deliveries, car parking, events management and community and stakeholder engagement.



Onsite Estate Manager

There will be an on-site estate manager employed during 'normal' working hours 9am – 6.00pm weekdays to deal with issues which are escalated from the onsite staff / concierge daily. The on-site estate manager would ultimately be responsible for the standard of service provided by either the other on-site staff or third-party contractors.

The on-site estate manager would also be responsible for overseeing and coordinating resident / tenant move in/out strategy in terms of deliveries and use of loading bays / drop offs. The service would operate from the community space provided. The onsite estate manager would be responsible for promoting a sense of community within the scheme.

The Onsite Estate Management Team will be primarily responsible for the following: -

- Management and implementation of the parking and mobility strategy.
- Management of lease agreements and operational budgeting for the effective management of the common areas.
- Management of contractors and other requirements of efficient building and estate operation.
- Co-ordination of stakeholder and community events and engagement.
- Ensuring that the appropriate standards for resident behavior are upheld, creating a secure and friendly environment.
- Management of delivery strategies to ensure full access to facilitate deliveries for all stakeholders as required.
- The Estate manager would facilitate prospective residents, commercial tenants, and other stakeholders in setting up a community safety strategy which would encompass neighborhood watch initiative. The management team would encourage interaction and facilitate meetings with security providers, local gardai and other relevant parties to devise suitable initiatives.



Residential Concierge Team

The development will have a concierge onsite. The opening hours are envisaged to be from 08.00 to 20.00 Monday to Friday, Saturday - Sunday 09.00 to 14.00.

Contact details of the key onsite Management Team will be shared on move-in, which include a centralised mobile phone number. It is intended that residents will also be able to communicate with the Management Team via a dedicated building website/portal. This will encourage communication on events, maintenance alerts and other notifications.

The Residential Concierge Team will be primarily responsible for the following: -

- Resident communication.
- Management of the move-in and move-out process.
- Management of contractors and other requirements of efficient building operation.
- Co-ordination of post/parcel deliveries.
- Co-ordination of resident events and engagement.
- Ensuring that the appropriate standards for resident behavior are upheld, creating a secure and friendly environment.
- Work closely with the estate managing agent.

SUMMARY OF SERVICE CHARGE BUDGET

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Section 5 – Summary of Service Charge Budget

The operational service charge budget will cover all aspects of the estate and common area management. Please see a brief overview of the services we would anticipate would be covered:

	• This aspect of the budget would cover any direct management		
Management Costs	of the estate. This includes the managing agent's costs, any on site		
	staffing costs, the company audit fee and any other consultancy works		
	that may be required.		
	• Any costs incurred for water usage (from any water feature or		
	watering of the landscaping), electricity (public lighting etc.) and gas (if		
	any).		
	• Energy conservation has been incorporated into the design in		
	many ways. Measures such as LED lighting systems including a		
	specification that all internal common light fittings, where safely		
	practical, have been designed to include passive infra-red sensors		
	(PIR's).		
Soft Services			
	• This element of the budget will allow for any security guarding		
	or patrol requirements that may be required outside of the onsite staff		
	teams working hours. It will also make a provision for the maintenance		
	and repair to any security systems including CCTV, access control		
	systems amongst others.		
	• Given the scale of the development it would be advisable to		
	provide for a 24/7 security service which will me based within the		
	development. This would allow for patrols within the development and		
	the management of the CCTV cameras and access controls for shared		
	areas.		
	• The scheme will provide some public open space for the		
	community towards the entrance with an attractive ground floor		
	activity. CCTV will be provided throughout the scheme and managed		
	by FM and adequate lighting to all areas. A fob key electronic access		
	system will be used for secure access for all residents and other		
	stakeholders as required to the community/cultural spaces.		
	• The scheme will provide lighting to all areas and will comply		
	with all the minimum requirements of Part M access lighting. The		
	lighting will be suitable for all landscaped areas and to all journeys to		



	the apartment entrance whether pedestrian or from the secured	
	basement car and cycle parking spaces. Internal lighting will be	
	provided 24/7 to all internal common areas.	
	• The open landscaped areas will have ample lighting with the	
	residents having the ability to overlook all areas creating natural	
	surveillance. The landscaping will be maintained by the property	
	management company to avoid any overgrowth and to maintain a	
	pleasant atmosphere.	
	• The onsite team will liaise with all local departments to create	
	any specific emergency response plans to the site and wider	
	community. Fire drills will be carried out by the onsite and	
	communicated to residents.	
	• The management team will liaise with residents and keep a	
	continued communication and assist in organising workshops	
	regarding community safety in conjunction with local authorities and	
	policing.	
	• The onsite team will liaise with all local departments to create	
	any specific emergency response plans to the site and wider	
	community including liaising with local policing.	
	• Location: CCTV will be in operation in key circulation areas as	
	part of the overall security strategy.	
	• Monitoring: All CCTV systems shall be configured such that	
	they form one site wide system that can be remotely monitored from	
CCTV	the management office.	
	Maintenance: Provision will be in place for camera	
	maintenance and routine checks in accordance with manufacturer	
	guidelines.	
	GDPR compliance will be paramount.	
	• The cleaning of the external and internal common areas will be	
	covered under this section. It is vitally important that the common	
	areas are kept as clean as possible, and any vandalism or graffiti is	
	addressed as quickly as possible.	
Cleaning	• The maintenance schedule will be put in place and will ensure	
	common areas are checked and cleaned daily.	
	Any common furniture, water feature, sculpture and litter bins	
	will form part of the cleaning and maintenance protocols which will be	
	defined by the appointed agents.	





	• An allowance will also be made for any maintenance required on
	plant and equipment. This includes the servicing and management of
	any pumps, lifts, gates and any other items of plant located within the
	external and internal common areas.
M & E	• There will also be a budget for general repairs which will cover
	basic works such as lighting repairs and any rectification to areas of the
	common areas that may become damaged or dilapidated.
	 Based on the landscape plans received, the communal areas will
	be of the forefront of management's maintenance priorities.
	 As permitted under ABP-306569-20 public amenity open space
	is a significant feature of the overall scheme which includes the 'river
	walk' and public plaza, connecting to Parkgate Street and the River
	Liffey. As such, it will be essential for an appropriate maintenance
	schedule to be devised and implemented.
Open Spaces &	• There will also be a schedule of maintenance in place for
Landscaping	cleaning of hard surfaces, garden features throughout the communal
	garden areas, terraces and open amenity spaces.
	• The landscape maintenance schedule will include annual
	contracts that specify weekly visits by the external contractors and this
	service will be closely managed and tailored to suit the scheme specifics
	to ensure a high standard is upheld.
	• A policy document will be developed around this process and
	issued to all residents of the overall estate.
	• The outdoor communal amenity areas would allow outdoor
	events, such as barbecues, outdoor dining experiences, and other
	events. These would be organised by the on-site team to the benefit of
Communal	residents. Attendance at all community events will be organised and
Outdoor	controlled centrally through the onsite management team, with the
Amenity Areas & Roof	assistance of the on-site security team.
Terraces	• Access to communal terrace areas would ideally have the
	capability of being time restricted e.g., 9.00am to 11.00pm daily and with
	CCTV coverage fed back to the management offices. This would allow
	the managing agent to control who has access to each communal terrace and to restrict access to certain times if needed.
Ruilding	
Building Management	• The Building Management System will be maintained in
System (BMS)	accordance with manufacturer guidelines.





• Sprinklers: The sprinklers will be maintained by a suitably qualified professional and serviced in accordance with manufacturer guidelines. The Property Manager will ensure appropriate contracts are in place with a contractor for maintenance of the risers.



PARKING MANAGEMENT



Section 6 – Parking Management

Parking Management Strategy

24no. car parking spaces are proposed at grade.

The management company will ensure an active parking management strategy is regularly enforced in the estate via the on-site estate management team. Car parking spaces will be allocated in accordance with the policies and leasing structure for the development.

The recommendation to combat abuse of parking facilities and abandonment of cars is generally to implement a clamping regime. A clamping regime can be tailored to suit the management structure and would start off by engaging in a contract with a preferred supplier.

Residents will only be able to utilise their allocated car parking space and the onsite management team will provide a permit to the resident who will display it on the window of the vehicle.

If no car parking spaces are available, the future resident will be informed of this prior to occupation of a residential unit.

776 no. additional bicycle spaces including cargo bike spaces are provided at under croft level for the resident of block B2, basement of Block C and at gradewith access onto Parkgate Street.



CONCLUSION & CONTACT DETAILS



Section 7 – Conclusion & Contact Details

Based on the information provided, Aramark Property have considered the schemes proposals. From our experience to date of similar schemes we manage, we have set out an overview of how we believe the overarching management of the scheme can be successfully managed in best practice for the benefit of the owners of this scheme, the future occupiers and the wider community.

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Section 8 – Disclaimer

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