Online Community Consultation



Proposed Scheme:

Category 1 (Over 55's) Social Housing Development

Restoration and refurbishment of existing building and standalone new build element



Ballymoney Music Centre, 23 Charles Street, Ballymoney

Mix:

9 x 3 person 2 bedroom Category 1 apartments

3 x 2 person 1 bedroom Category 1 apartments

Introduction:

Radius Housing representatives conducted a leaflet drop in the area week commencing 28th June 2021. In light of COVID19 restrictions, we are unable to hold our normal face to face public consultation and have therefore adopted a new approach, by inviting the local residents to participate in the community consultation by way of email. We would welcome any comments by email by **14th July 2021.**

About Radius Housing:

Radius provides housing, care and support to over 33,000 homes. We are a social enterprise employing over 1,000 people and managing 12,500 properties in 80 towns across Northern Ireland.

Radius has a social housing presence in all 11 council areas, serviced by a regional office networking spanning Belfast, Holywood, Derry, Newry and Ballymena.

Radius Housing was established in 2017 following a merger between Helm and Fold Housing Associations and draws on over 80 years' combined experience to make a positive impact on housing and communities into the future.

The Proposed Plans:

Radius are in the process of purchasing this site on 23 Charles Street from the Education Authority and hope to submit a planning application in the coming weeks for the retention and refurbishment of the existing Ballymoney Music Centre building, alongside the construction of a standalone small block of new build apartments. The scheme will provide a total of 12 no. Category 1 apartments. Category 1 apartments are defined as self-contained accommodation for the over 55's.



The intention is to sensitively refurbish the existing Music Centre to provide 8 Category 1 apartments for social rent and to remove the existing modern out buildings which were added in the 1950s/60's and are not listed features of the building. Our proposals seek to retain all elements of the Ballymoney Music Centre which have historic and architectural interest.

Our proposals also propose to construct a small standalone block of 4 Category 1 apartments for social rent. These are sensitively designed to respect the character and setting of the existing Ballymoney Music Centre building.

The proposals also include an area of private green amenity space for residents, on-site parking and pedestrian friendly pathways. The proposals seek to retain the existing access to the site, and also retain key features where possible such as the boundary walls and existing trees which front onto Charles Street.

Our design team are currently in discussion with the Historic Environment Division and other stakeholders involved with this site. Radius would be delighted to invite neighbouring residents to comment on the proposed development.

After community consultation Radius intend to address any genuine concerns from participants and submit a planning application to Causeway, Coast and Glens Council in July 2022.

Please see the current proposals provided in the pages below.

Hopefully this information has been helpful to you, and as stated we would welcome your comments by emailing clare.price@radiushousing.org

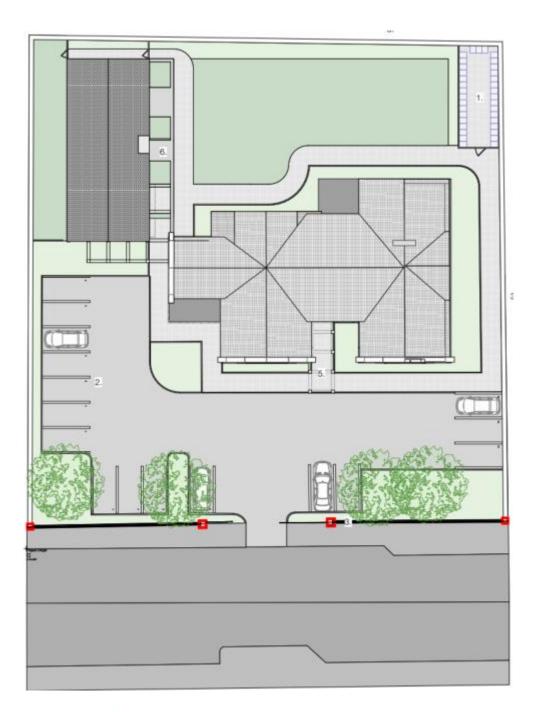
Thank you for your time.

Clare Price
Development Officer

SITE LOCATION PLAN



PROPOSED SITE LAYOUT PLAN



- 1. BIN STORE
- 2. PARKING FOR 16no CARS
- 3. EXISTING BRICK BOUNDARY WALL
- 4. EXISTING STONE BOUNDARY WALL
- 5. ARCADIA TO FRONT FACADE OF EXISTING BUILDING
- 6. PROPOSED ARCADIA TO FRONT FACADE OF NEW BUILDING

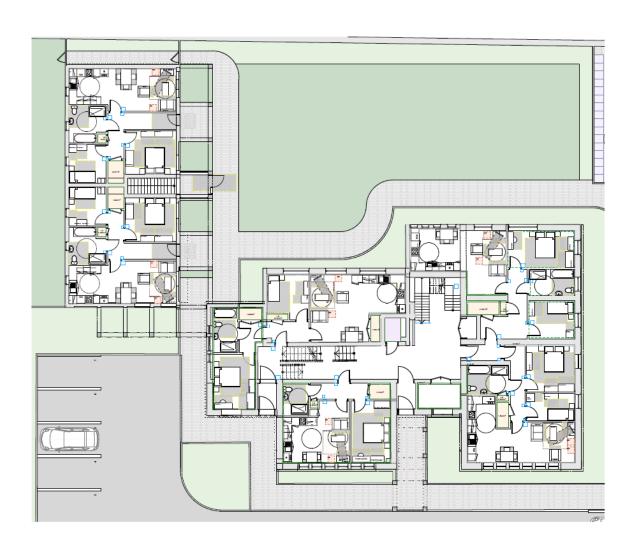
PROPOSED 3D ELEVATIONS





Proposed view from communal gardens to new build bloc

APARTMENTS – PROPOSED GROUND FLOOR PLANS



APARTMENTS – PROPOSED 1st FLOOR PLANS

