

**Draft Louth County Development Plan 2021-2027 - Submission**

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**Sent:** 09 December 2020 21:14  
**To:** LouthCDP  
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**Attachments:** Draft Louth County Develop~1.pdf (181 KB)

Hi,

I refer to the Draft Louth County Development Plan 2021-2027, Chapter 3 Housing, Pg.27, Table 3.5: Local Housing Need Qualifying Criteria in Rural Policy Zone 2, No. 4.

I would ask that you would take the following scenario into consideration and allow for this to be included in the qualifying criteria for Local Housing Need Qualifying Criteria in Rural Policy Zone 2.

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I propose the following re-wording or similar.

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Please see attached pdf version of my submission with my name omitted in order to assist Louth County Council in complying with the provisions of the Data Protection Act.

I look forward to hearing from you.

**Regards,**

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Qualifying Criteria Rural Policy Zone 2 –  
Area Under Strong Urban Influence

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