

## Draft Louth County Development Plan 2021-2027

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To: LouthCDP

To whom it may concern,

I wish to lodge a complaint about the stipulation in this plan that to get planning permission in rural zone 1 your parents must be farmers or own 3 hectares of land. This is absolutely laughable and will be the downfall of the community. As someone who has built in the area (Bellurgan) in recent years I know how vigorous planning regulations already are. I agree that we need stringent planning permission but this means that we are as good as writing off future generations. My children will not be able to build even though we have land. Our schools will suffer with the downturn in young families living in the area. In turn there will be nothing to entice people to stay and there will be a "brain drain" in the area. Who wants to work or set up business where you can't put down roots? Or the school is closed because of low numbers?

Please reconsider this frankly foolish stipulation.

Kind regards,

Maire Byrne