

Draft Louth county development plan 2021-2027

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Re-observation/submission

I'm lodging this submission in a hope of some sort of change to current restrictions of commercial activities to works in St.Nicolas quarter.

Under current business development's due to covid -19 to sustain our business and to progress with the times we are in ,I need to have an extra seating area ,which I have space for in my yard out the back of the premises .

Most hospitality businesses are operating with a reduced capacity, the seating pods which are placed around the town are a brilliant idea to help,

We would like if the County Plan would provide the necessary changes required to

A - Attract /Retain customers

B- Provide additional outdoor facilities beyond the traditional pub,

C- subsequently build resilience into the business thereby ensuring its continued viability and vitality,

It would be great if the county plan specifically support the principle of external beer gardens/smoking area for pubs and find a balance between protecting residential amenities and the need of a commercial business,

I will be more than willing to restrict the hours in which this area would be used,

I feel this is a necessity for us to be able to keep our business open in the future ,

Many Thanks

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