

## Planning submission

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To whom it may concern,

I wish to object to the criteria set out in Rural Zone 1

This proposal will have a negative effect on our community for many years to come. Due to COVID-19 restrictions we the community had no opportunity to discuss the long-term implications of this proposal and it should be postponed until a full public meeting can be arranged.

There is no doubt if this proposal goes through it will have a long-lasting negative effect on this community. Population will decrease resulting in fewer school attendance, local sports clubs' numbers will reduce and the social fabric of the community will suffer.

I was born and reared in Rockmarshall with my family, went to the local primary school and secondary school with fond memories. I feel it is unfair not to have the opportunity for myself and hopefully my children to continue living in this community and contribute to its progression.

I am working locally servicing my time with a local company and would like to have the opportunity in the future to live in the area or build if I wish. If this proposal goes through prices of rent and buying a house in Dundalk town will increase in price and it will put it beyond the means of local people.

My parents are getting on in years and if this proposal goes through it will isolate them from their children and more importantly if they require assistance in years to come who will be there to look after them.

I feel this proposal needs to be looked at again and allow proper discussion on the restricted implications it will have on the locals and the economy.

May I suggest that planning applications to be considered for local needs only where the applicant can prove they resided in the area and went to local schools.

Regards

Jason Gregory