

"Draft Louth County Development Plan 2021-2027"

SUBMISSION

To

**Forward Planning Unit,
Development Plan Review,
Louth County Council,
Town Hall,
Crowe Street,
Dundalk,
Co Louth.
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*Louth County Council
21 DEC 2020
Customer Services
Dundalk*

**Re Draft County Development Plan 2021-2027.
Residentially zoned sites at Rath, Dundalk, Co Louth.**

We wish to express our grave concern that a 'Strategic Land Reserve' is proposed in the draft County Development Plan 2021-2027 which if included therein will adversely affect our sites in the locations as indicated on the attached drawing and referenced above. In support of our concern we make the points hereunder.

We understand that the proposed 'Strategic Land Reserve' will de-zone our sites. Inclusion in a 'reserve' will remove the asset from its current status and defeat the purpose of their original provision and the aspiration of the planning authority for their development as confirmed through its positive zoning in the current development plan as 'residential development'.

Our sites have been zoned 'residential development' for many years in the current Development Plan and are destined for development by dependents as their housing needs arise. The sites were provided by us at considerable expense to ensure that our obligations to dependents to provide for their greatest social need of housing could be met when required.

We can appreciate the creation of a 'Strategic Land Reserve' and meritorious though it maybe, it should not be created to the detriment of our assets, the future of which are destined herein. Our sites were zoned in Local Authority Development Plans over the years as 'residential development' by the planning authority building on its recognized practical approach to development consequent upon the extensive provision of water, sewerage and roads infrastructure in Dundalk which considerably extended the development zones of the overall urban area.

The zoning of our sites by the planning authority as 'residential development' was very much welcomed by us having regard to their purpose, appreciation of which we conveyed to public representatives and officials in the past, it clearly indicated a positive approach to housing

development by the council. It has not been timely in recent years for planning permission to be sought for our sites having regard to personal circumstances. As we make this submission circumstances are changing for the housing needs of dependents accordingly applications for planning permission for our sites will be finalised in the early New Year for submission to the planning authority.

This submission is made as an appeal to the Officials and Elected Members of the Planning Authority of Louth County Council that our sites not be included in the area designated as 'Strategic Land Reserve' and be deleted from the draft County Development Plan 2021-2027.

We would deeply appreciate your favorable decision on our appeal which will enable our housing sites to be developed as intended by us and accommodated by the planning authority in the current Development Plan.

Signed by

(Martin Hegarty ✓

Date 18th **December 2020**

Len Mullins

Date **December 2020**

On behalf of

Declan Curran

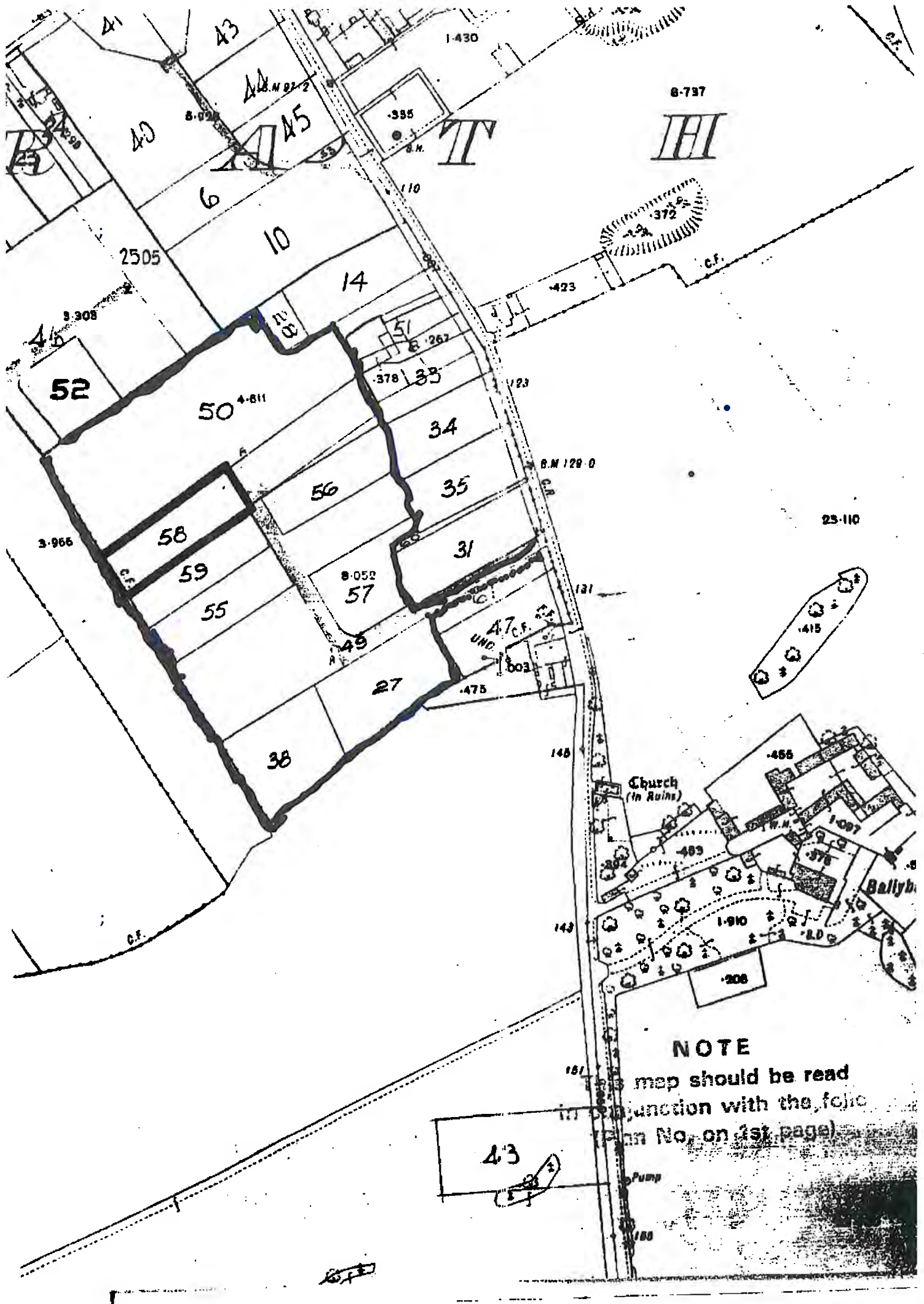
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This map should be read in conjunction with the folio (Plan No. on 1st page)

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