

Draft Louth County Development Plan 2021-2027

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To: LouthCDP

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Dear Sir/Madam,

I wish to object against the Louth County Development Plan for 2021-2027 for the following reasons

- Children should not be denied the opportunity to build in the local area where they grow up if they so wish. There are numerous benefits to having children build in their local area. Young families are supported by parents, grandparents, aunts, uncles and cousins. The young families support local schools, businesses, sports clubs and communities. In later life they can in turn provide support to their parents and neighbours as they get older and need help. If the past few months has shown us anything it has been the importance of the family unit in caring for each other

- Rural areas would become uninhabited, socially and economically deprived areas. I am involved in a local football club which provides sports for boys and girls from all over the peninsula. Young families being forced to move to bigger towns etc will eventually be the death nail for clubs such as mine.

- There are many urban areas that are failing to provide proper facilities and have struggled with social issues. Given property prices and high rents in towns etc there are also huge financial benefits to building on land owned by your family

- We're in the middle of a covid pandemic, I believe given the fact that we can't hold community meetings, now is not the time to force through these changes which will be detrimental to future generations and further isolate the rural communities

I would ask you to strongly reconsider any further plans to be made that may seriously affect the rural

community and the people who grew up in the areas.

Regards,

Alan Hoey