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Rural Housing Strategy

With regard to the qualifying criteria for housing in Rural Policy Zone 2 (Table 3.5) I wish to make the following comments. I believe the policy will have a detrimental effect on rural communities throughout the county. The dynamics of the rural area will turn to one of static development. As a result, over time, schools, sports clubs and local businesses will suffer. Also, I consider it absurd that someone from a rural area may not return to reside in that area at a later time (many of whom come from families that lived there for generations), not to mention their children who are too young to speak for themselves and only have our voices to speak for them.

I therefore strongly oppose the Proposed Rural Housing Strategy.

Yours Sincerely,
(Name on accompanying email)