

Draft Development Plan 2021 - 2027

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To: LouthCDP

To Whom It May Concern,

I would like to submit a submission of objection to the proposed Louth County Development Plan 2021-2027.

I have been born and raised in the Cooley Peninsula and I am so proud to call this beautiful place home.

I am very saddened and concerned that myself and my family members could be affected from building future family homes on land owned by my father for many years.

I fully support any initiative that helps to maintain, improve and sustain a long-term ecological and environmentally friendly future for our community. However, over the past 10-15 years, I have looked on in dismay as our local lands were commercially developed with little regard for the local community. Many new properties have either been built or purchased by property developers and individuals from outside our community, thus impacting the local environments and inflating house prices for younger, local families. This has resulted in many young people being priced out of the local market and unable to realise their dreams of living in the Cooley Peninsula.

Denying young, local people from building on land, very often owned by families for generations and held for the benefit of their children is, I believe, very wrong. I personally hold the surroundings which I grew up in very close to my heart and it has been my dream to build a house on my father's land and give my future children the childhood I had in the beautiful countryside close to grandparents. The thought of this been taken away is very distressing.

I would urge you and our local councillors to come together and rethink the development plan and help the young people who were born and raised in our community to be given a fair and equal chance to own their own home beside their family, friends and neighbours.

Your consideration of the above would be very much appreciated.

Yours sincerely,
Kate