

Objection to ribbon development

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To: LouthCDP

Dear Sir/ Madam,

I am writing in relation to the ribbon development policy that has been put in place by the County Council. To me, as a person living on the outskirts of Louth Village, it is grossly unfair that one is unable to build on land in the countryside because of this restriction on the number of houses. To my mind, four houses in a row is not adequate. This restriction will ultimately force people like me, who were born and reared in these areas, to relocate to already overcrowded towns/ cities. It does not make any sense.

It should be my right to choose where I raise my children in the future. I have grown up in my local community and engaged with local clubs and businesses, and strong bonds have been formed. Why should my children not have the same opportunity as I did, if it is what *I feel* is best for them? Does it make sense to force people to live in towns/ cities that are already overcrowded, while good quality sites in the countryside are left to waste because there are already four houses in a row?

I strongly believe that the County Council should reconsider their stance on ribbon development. The existence of five, six, or indeed more houses in a row in rural areas does not lead to the spreading of towns/ villages into the countryside, as the County Council have previously outlined.

Kind regards,

Conor Garland