



18 December 2020

Forward Planning Unit,  
Development Plan Review,  
Louth County Council,  
Town Hall,  
Crowe Street,  
Dundalk,  
Co. Louth A91 W20C.

To whom it may concern,

I am writing on behalf of the members of Autism Support Louth&Meath who consist mainly of Autistic people and their families.

We would request that the following be taken into account in the development plan.

- We fully support the Changing Places Initiative for Drogheda and would hope that Changing Places are included in the development plans for all areas of the county.
- Most people with Autism are visual learners. We would ask that all signage is standardized and standard, universal visual symbols are used whenever possible. It is really helpful to people with Autism to have clear and consistent signage and directions.
- We would also draw your attention to the communication boards recently installed in Wexford and Meath playgrounds. Details on [sss.wexfordcoco.ie/community/public-parks-and-playgrounds/min-ryan-park-communication-boards](http://sss.wexfordcoco.ie/community/public-parks-and-playgrounds/min-ryan-park-communication-boards).
- We are linked with the Drogheda ABACAS School in Congress Avenue/Priests Lane. The roads and paths around our school are in a disgraceful condition. These need to be totally replaced.

Thank you for your time and attention

Yours faithfully  
Jacinta Walsh