

Draft Louth County Development Plan 2021 - 2027

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To: LouthCDP

To Whom it may concern,

I wish to object to the above and appeal to the county Councillors to reject the draft development plan.

A disproportionately large section of land in North Louth is assigned to Rural Zone .

There is no provision in this plan for Local Needs Housing to a large area of the Cooley Peninsula with the exception of landowners.

It prioritises the needs of the wealthy over those who are less well off and fails to provide a means for local families to live in close proximity.

This kind of action impacts the elderly, local businesses, aids rural decline and unfairly prevents people from living in the area they were born and reared in, thus contradicting the policy for renewal of small towns and villages in the same plan.

The existing guidelines for Local Needs will be removed, forcing many young people from the area to leave when they want to start their own families. This group of people (young parents) are generally the lifeblood of rural areas, volunteering, football coaching, donating to the upkeep of schools etc.

I do not believe this is in the best interests of the area or the county.

Regards

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