

## **Draft Louth County Development Plan 2021-2027**

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**To:** LouthCDP

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To whom it may concern,

I am writing to outline my concern about the 'Draft Louth County Development Plan 2021-2027', in particular the severe implications in relation to 'Zone 1' that I believe will arise if this plan is to be adapted.

I feel the limitations placed on current residents of 'Zone 1' are extremely discriminatory especially against the younger generation who will be driven out of their local area unless their families are farmers or landowners.

The limiting of further planning permission in 'Zone 1' will also be disastrous to our local schools and GAA/football clubs with members of families who have lived in the community for generations may be forced to leave the area and also the numbers of students/members of clubs will fall.

Our current local businesses and future businesses will be economically effected with members of the community leaving to live in other areas due to these limiting proposed plans.

I do not feel enough engagement with the local community has been involved with this plan and the long term effects both socially, culturally and economically have been explained to current members of the community.

I would call on the council to review the plan and explain to the public the long term implications of it. I myself plan on living in the community and applying for planning permission in the near future and feel this plan will make this effort extremely difficult.

My proposal is that the council should postpone this plan until above reasons can be addressed and explained in a public forum, which is currently unable to happen due to current COVID19 Government restrictions.

Yours sincerely,  
Peter Thornton