

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

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### **RE: DRAFT LOUTH COUNTY DEVELOPMENT PLAN**

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**on the**

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### **Submission on Draft Louth County Development Plan - 2021-2020**

The Louth Co Development Plan should **recognise** the exceptional history and heritage of Drogheda and environs, including the UNESO World Heritage site, and give due importance and assistance by focusing on resources that help in promoting and protecting the great heritage and history of Drogheda and environs.

Such resources required are:

➤ **Appointment of a LOCALLY BASED Heritage Officer for Drogheda and South Louth.**

➤ **Appointment of a LOCALLY BASED Tourist/Visitor Officer for Drogheda and South Louth.**

➤ **Putting funding in place towards the running of Drogheda Tourist Office and Millmount Museum.**

**Drogheda “The Gateway to the Boyne Valley”** is an ancient town (on the cusp of becoming a city) that has a growing tourism industry. Has a [UNESCO](#) World Heritage site, [Newgrange](#), located 8 kilometres (5.0 mi) to the west of the town centre.

Other tourist sites in the area include:”

- [Millmount Fort](#) and museum
- [Saint Laurence Gate](#) barbican gate c. 1300s
- [John Philip Holland](#) memorial (sculpture commemorating submarine inventor)
- [Boyne Viaduct](#)
- [John Jameson's](#) residential home (not open to the public), and a Jameson distillery trail of maltings in the town.
- [Battle Of The Boyne Site](#), visitors centre
- [Éamonn Ceannt's](#) school (formerly St Joseph's CBS now operates as Scholars Hotel)
- [Beaulieu House and gardens](#)
- [Mellifont Abbey](#)
- [Townley Hall](#) nature trail and woods
- [Princess Grace](#) Rose Garden at St. Dominic's Park
- [St. Peter's Roman Catholic Church](#), which houses a shrine of [Oliver Plunkett](#)
- [St Peter's Church of Ireland church](#), on Peter's Hill
- [Highlanes Gallery](#)
- [Augustinian Church 'The Passion Window'](#) [Harry Clarke Studio](#)
- [Monasterboice](#) (another potential UNESCO World Heritage site).