

Draft Louth County Development Plan 2021-2027

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To whom it may concern

I find it hard to believe that this Development Plan is being pushed through during a pandemic when the opportunity does not arise to meet as a community to discuss it. Surely a Development Plan like this, which affects an entire community should be influenced by the views of that community rather than those of Council officials.

The Cooley Peninsula is steeped in tradition and history and a large proportion of its young generation have a deep desire to remain living in the area they were born. This Development Plan will make this ambition impossible to achieve.

Unless a local person is a land owner they will be unable to buy a site. This will drive the price of development land up in the area and will also lead to inflated second hand house prices.

It will also have major implications for our schools, sports clubs, shops and businesses in the area as a large number of our young local population will be forced to leave the community in order to find accommodation. This Development Plan will have major implications for our local community in the years to come and I would call on the County Council to defer this decision and engage in proper consultation with the local community when a post pandemic environment exists.

Yours sincerely

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