

Draft Louth County Development Plan 2021-2027

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To: LouthCDP

To whom it may concern,

I wish to make a submission on the above plan. My family would like to strongly object to the proposals for rural zone one. Both mine and my husband's family have lived in this area for generations and we are heartbroken that you are trying to take the choice to remain in the area away from our children. My husband has farmed all his life yet he owns no land like many other farmers he rents land. My children have grown up farming, getting up in the middle of the night to check sheep lambing and nursing lambs back to health. Under this proposal they will have to move away from all this. Yet the children of the people who rent the land can build here even though they have no attachment to farming.

Our schools and sports clubs are going to be left with nobody to use them after all the money that has been used to develop and extend them.

We are to grow old with no family around us, with no younger generation growing up around us. Which is the natural way of rural life.

To try and bring this in during a pandemic severely limiting people's ability to object is disgraceful. In a pandemic that showed how important community is, how the younger generations looked after and protected the older generation. We beg you to stop this destruction of our community.

Yours Faithfully,
Shiobhan and Gerry Rice

Sent from my iPhone