- WICKLOW COUNTY DEVELOPMENT PLAN 2016-2022 -

PROPOSED MATERIAL ALTERATIONS TO THE DRAFT 'ARKLOW AND ENVIRONS LOCAL AREA PLAN 2018-2024'

Notice is hereby given pursuant to Section 20 of the Planning and Development Act 2000 (as amended) that Wicklow County Council, being the planning authority for the area, propose to <u>amend</u> the draft Local Area Plan (LAP) for **Arklow and Environs**. The proposed amendments would, if made, be a material alteration of the draft LAP.

This LAP will, when adopted, replace the existing 'Arklow Town and Environs Development Plan 2011 - 2017'. The new LAP should be read in conjunction with the County Wicklow Development Plan 2016 – 2022. The 'Arklow and Environs LAP 2018-2024' consists of a written statement indicating the land use objectives in detail as may be required by the planning authority for the proper planning and sustainable development of the area, maps and appendices.

The Proposed Amendments are accompanied by the following Addendums:

- Environmental Report which provides information on the likely significant effects on the environment of implementing the proposed amendments, prepared in accordance with the Planning and Development (SEA -Strategic Environmental Assessment)
 Regulations 2004 (as amended),
- Appropriate Assessment Screening Report which provides an evaluation of the impacts, if any, of the proposed amendments on any Natura 2000 site either alone or in combination with other projects or plans, with respect to the site's structure and function and its conservation objectives, prepared in accordance with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC), and
- Strategic Flood Risk Assessment Report which provides a flood risk assessment of the proposed zoning amendments, carried out in accordance with 'Planning System and Flood Risk Management: Guidelines for planning authorities' (DoEHLG/OPW, 2009).

DISPLAY OF PROPOSED ALTERATIONS

The 'Draft Arklow and Environs LAP 2018-2024' and the proposed material alterations to the LAP (and associated SEA, AA and SFRA addendums) are available to view at the following locations, during their normal opening hours, from **Wednesday 22nd November 2017 to Tuesday 19th December 2017** (5.00pm) inclusive:

- Wicklow County Council, County Buildings, Station Road, Wicklow Town
- Arklow Municipal District Office, Castle Park, Arklow
- Arklow Library
- The Council's website: www.wicklow.ie

Copies of the draft LAP and proposed material alterations are available to download from the website. Hard copies and CDs of the draft LAP and proposed amendments will be available to purchase, on request, at the Planning Counter, County Buildings, Wicklow Town.

MAKING A SUBMISSION ON THE PROPOSED ALTERATIONS

Written submissions or observations with respect ONLY to the proposed material alterations to the draft LAP and the associated reports are hereby invited from the public and interested bodies. Children, or groups or associations representing the interests of children, are entitled to make submissions or observations. Submissions or observations made on or before 5.00pm 19th December 2017 will be taken into consideration before the making of the Local Area Plan.

Submissions on the alterations may be made in one of the following ways:

- 1. Write to: Administrative Officer, Planning Section, Wicklow County Council, Station Road, Wicklow Town.
- 2. Email to: planreview@wicklowcoco.ie

NOTES

- YOU ARE STRONGLY ADVISED TO MAKE YOUR SUBMISSION AS EARLY AS POSSIBLE.
- All submissions are to be clearly marked with 'Arklow LAP' and with the proposed alteration number.
- All submissions should include your name and a contact address, a map (where appropriate) and, where relevant, details of any organisation, community group or company etc., which you represent.
- The planning process is an open and public one, therefore all submissions/observations are a matter of public record and will be available for public viewing, they may also be placed on the County Council's website. Please include your name and contact details on a separate sheet to the content of your submission.
- Please make your submission by <u>one</u> medium only, i.e. hard copy or e-mail. Only emailed submissions will be acknowledged. Receipt of any hard copy submission can be acknowledged by ringing the planning office on (0404) 20148.
- All submissions will form a part of the statutory Chief Executive's report to be presented to the elected members of Wicklow County
 Council. The Chief Executive's assessment of submissions will be provided in Chief Executive's Report, which will be published after
 the County Council meeting where the report is considered.
- LATE SUBMISSIONS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.