

# **Wicklow Town and Environs Development Plan 2013 – 2019**

## **Have your say in the future development of your area**

Notice is hereby given that Wicklow Town Council, pursuant to Part II Section 11 of the Planning and Development Act 2000 (as amended) and Article 13B of the Planning & Development [Strategic Environmental Assessment] Regulations 2004, intends to review the Wicklow Town Development Plan 2007 – 2013 and prepare a new Town Development Plan for its functional area.

In accordance with the provisions of Part II Section 9 of the Planning and Development Act 2000 (as amended) and with the agreement of Wicklow County Council, this Development Plan shall include lands outside of the jurisdiction of Wicklow Town Council, that is, the area defined by the existing Wicklow Environs and Rathnew Local Area Plan 2008-2014 including the existing Action Area Six Local Area Plan 2006 - 2012, located within the functional area of Wicklow County Council.

The Planning Authority will carry out a Strategic Environmental Assessment [SEA] as part of the review process and for this purpose, the Planning Authority will also prepare an Environmental Report on the likely significant effects on the environment of implementing the new plan, and the provisions of Articles 13C to 13J of the 2004 SEA Regulations shall apply.

Submissions or observations regarding the review of the existing plan and the preparation of a new Development Plan and the associated Environmental Report 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.

While a review of the zoning of the area of the Development Plan shall occur as part of the plan making process, this stage of the plan review process is 'strategic' in nature in that it is for the purposes of developing -

- the objectives and policies to deliver an overall strategy for the proper planning and sustainable development of the area of the Development Plan
- the core strategy of the plan.

Therefore submissions or observations may be made regarding the objectives and policies to deliver an overall strategy for the proper planning and sustainable development of the area may be made, BUT requests or proposals for zoning of particular land for any purpose shall not be considered at this stage and should not be made.

To assist this process, an 'Issues' document, which identifies the kind of planning issues that the next Wicklow Town and Environs Development Plan could address, has been prepared. A copy of this document are also available at the following locations from Friday 1st July 2011 to Friday 26th August 2011 Mon-Fri (excluding bank holidays):-

- Wicklow Town Council Offices, Town Hall, Market Square, Wicklow Town (9:30am-1:00pm, 2:00pm-4:30pm)
- Wicklow County Council Offices, Station Road, Wicklow Town (9.00am-5.00pm)
- Wicklow Town public library, Kilmantin Hill, Wicklow Town.

A public information day, when staff from the Development Plan team will be available to answer questions and to assist in making a submission will be held on Tuesday 12th July 2011 in Rathnew Soccer Club, Rathnew from 5.00pm to 7.00pm and Thursday 14th July 2011 in Wicklow Town Council, Town Hall, Market Square, Wicklow Town 3.30pm-5.00pm and 6.30-8.00pm

## **Submissions 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: [wicklownplanreview@wicklowtc.ie](mailto:wicklownplanreview@wicklowtc.ie)

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. Please make your submission by one medium only, i.e. hard copy, e-mail.

Written submissions or observations with respect to the preparation of the draft Wicklow Town and Environs Development Plan and / or the Environmental Report received during the period Friday 1st July 2011 to Friday 26th August 2011 will be duly considered by the Planning Authority. Late submissions will not be accepted.

Wicklow Local Authorities are committed to Access For All. All of the above documents are available in alternative format on request. Please contact Aoife Flynn, Access Officer, Wicklow County Council on 087-0575938 or at [aflynn@wicklowcoco.ie](mailto:aflynn@wicklowcoco.ie) should you have any specific access requirements