WICKLOW COUNTY DEVELOPMENT PLAN 2021-2027

Notice is hereby given in accordance with Part II Section 11 (1) of the Planning and Development Act 2000 (as amended) that Wicklow County Council intends to review the Wicklow County Development Plan 2016-2022 and prepare a new County Development Plan for its functional area for the period 2021-2027.

In compliance with the Strategic Environmental Assessment Directive (2001/42/EC) and in accordance with Article 13B of the Planning and Development (Strategic Environmental Assessment) Regulations 2004 (S.I. No. 436 of 2004) (as amended), the Planning Authority proposes to carry out a Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA) as part of the review of the existing Development Plan and preparation of a new Development Plan. For this purpose, the Planning Authority will prepare an Environmental Report of the likely significant effects on the environment of implementing the new Plan and the provisions of Articles 13C to 13J of Regulations shall apply.

Pursuant to the requirements of Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC), a Stage One Appropriate Assessment Screening of the proposed new plan shall be carried out as part of the overall process and a Stage Two Appropriate Assessment shall subsequently be carried out, if required.

Public Consultation

Submissions or observations regarding the review of the existing plan and the preparation of a new County Development Plan are hereby invited from the public and interested bodies. Submissions may be made during the period from Wednesday 6th November 2019 to Friday 10th January 2020. Children, or groups or associations representing the interests of children, are entitled to make submissions or observations.

While a review of the detailed policies, objectives (including zoning provisions) and development standards contained in the 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 County
- the 'Core Strategy' of the plan

and in this regard the Planning Authority shall take account of the statutory obligations of the local authority and any relevant policies or objectives for the time being of the Government or of any Minister of the Government.

Therefore submissions or observations may be made regarding the overall strategy for the proper planning and sustainable development of the County. 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, the Council have a webpage dedicated to the review of the County Development Plan and have prepared an 'Issues Paper' which identifies the kind of planning issues that the next County Development Plan will address. A copy of this document can be obtained from the Wicklow County Council website www.wicklow.ie and hard copies are also available at the following locations from Wednesday 06 November 2019 during normal opening hours:

Arklow Arklow Municipal District Office, Castle Park, Arklow Town
 Blessington Blessington Business Park, Blessington
 Bray Bray Municipal District Office, Civic Offices, Main Street, Bray
 Greystones Greystones Municipal District Office, Mill Road, Greystones

Wicklow Town
 Wicklow County Council, County Buildings, Station Road, Wicklow Town

All Wicklow public libraries

Public information days, when staff from the Development Plan team will be available to answer questions and to assist in making a submission will be held at the following locations:

- **Greystones** Greystones Municipal District Office, Mill Road, Greystones <Wednesday 13th November 2019 4pm 7.30pm>
- Baltinglass Baltinglass Library, Weaver's Square, Baltinglass
 Thursday 14th November 2019 4pm 7.30pm>
- **Bray** Bray Municipal District Office, Civic Offices, Main Street, Bray

<Wednesday 20th November 2019 4pm – 7.30pm>

• Wicklow County Buildings, Wicklow County Council, Station Road, Wicklow Town

<Thursday 21st November 2019 4pm – 7.30pm>

• **Arklow** Arklow Municipal District Office, Castle Park, Arklow Town

<Wednesday 27th November 2019 4pm – 7.30pm>

• **Blessington** Blessington Library, New Town Centre, Blessington

<Thursday 28th November 2019 4pm – 7.30pm>

Submissions may be made in one of the following ways:

- 1. Write to: Administrative Officer, Forward Planning, Wicklow County Council, Station Road, Wicklow Town
- 2. Email to: planreview@wicklowcoco.ie
- 3. Online: Make a submission via the online consultation portal on www.wicklow.ie

NOTE

- YOU ARE STRONGLY ADVISED TO MAKE YOUR SUBMISSION AS EARLY AS POSSIBLE.
- All submissions are to be clearly marked with 'Wicklow County Development Plan'.
- 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 / website.
- All submissions will form a part of the statutory Chief Executive's report to be presented to the elected members of Wicklow County Council.
- Please be advised that all submissions received will be published online in accordance with the requirements of the Planning Act. You should ensure that no vexatious, libellous or confidential information, including confidential information relating to a third party (in respect of which the third party has not, expressly, or impliedly in the circumstances, consented to its disclosure) is included in your submission. The Planning Authority reserves the right to redact any submission or part thereof that does not comply with this requirement. Please be advised that the name of the person(s)/group(s) who made the submission will be published, but personal data will be redacted.
- LATE SUBMISSIONS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.

Wicklow County Council is committed to Access For All. All of the above documents are available in alternative format on request. Please contact Wicklow County Council on 0404-20100 should you have any specific access requirements.