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**Sent:** 09 January 2020 14:44  
**To:** 'Adam Calihman'  
**Cc:** Planning - Plan Review  
**Subject:** RE: Wicklow County Dev Plan Feedback

A Chara,

I wish to acknowledge, with thanks, receipt of your submission regarding the County Development Plan review.

Regards

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**From:** Adam Calihman [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** 09 January 2020 14:37  
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**Subject:** Wicklow County Dev Plan Feedback

To whom it may concern,

Hello. I would like to provide some brief feedback on the pending Wicklow County Development Plan. In a word we need a focus on "Sustainability" in a time of climate change, wealth divides and population growth. Here're a few bullets:

- Improved Sustainability, Diversity and Innovation
- Waste reduction and management - reduce fly tipping and litter. Create incentives and conveniences for people and businesses to recycle and not litter. Eg. Bottle deposits, bins about town, excess food collection for homeless etc
- Improved public transport and mobility within and between towns in Co. Wicklow and with Dublin.
- Improved school bus infrastructure
- Design for biodiversity and no spraying of weeds. Ban sprays unless absolutely necessary.
- Make Co. Wicklow the most walking and cycling friendly county in the Nation by increasing the number and connectivity of cycle-ways and safe pedestrian and wheelchair-friendly paths and crossings. These paths will serve to reduce traffic and provide amenities for local residents, businesses, and tourists.
- Policies that address, mitigate and prepare for climate change and the associated symptoms of sea level rise, erosion, drought, flood, temperature fluctuation.
- Improved Nature Reserves - Increased protections, allocations, clean up and restoration of forests, biodiversity, wildlands, wetlands, waterways
- CO2 reducing policies and Fossil Fuel free government operations
- Programs to convert solid fuel heat to less polluting heating systems
- Clean, renewal energy investments including grid tie-in for businesses and residential
- Affordable energy smart Housing in functional mixed communities
- Improved availability of local health services, clinics and hospitals
- Improved Parks and Recreation management, amenities and infrastructure (more public parks and spaces)
- Growth of local businesses and enterprise to decrease need to travel to Dublin

- Compact Growth and Reduced urban sprawl - better design to new estates to prevent Dublin sprawl and to discourage strict bedroom communities
- University in Co. Wicklow (or annex of Dublin area Uni)
- Increase funds to Tidy Towns, Comm groups and Schools to do special environmental education and action events
- Promote local produce and products

I hope this is helpful. Thanks!

Adam Calihman

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