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**Sent:** 10 January 2020 12:50  
**To:** [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** RE: Wicklow County Development

A Chara,

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

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In veiw of the current climate-carbon crisis, ALL developement in the immediate future must aim to discourage dependance on private cars. There must be NO further developement of dual carriage ways or motor-ways, as they only encourage people to use private cars. Instead there has to be a massive expansion of public transport: rail and long-distance bus services for longer-distance/ nation-wide travel, with integrated local bus services (including minibus) connecting to national networks.

My daughter believes it is outrageous that we are not guaranted filtered water. I think is outrageous that we need filterd water

- The County Development Plan can address Climate Change by:
  - permitting only sustainable growth so that residents can live, work, study, play and socialise in the county; so that residents can walk or cycle from home to work, to school, to the shops, to the park; so that residents do not need a car because public transport options are varied and reliable, clean, comfortable and safe.
  - Permitting compact development not urban sprawl scattered across the entire county or along public roads in the county
  - promoting cycling, walking and public recreation facilities
  - promoting public transport to connect all settlements in the county with each other and to connect settlements with national public transport routes;
  - prohibiting development in areas that are at risk of flooding;
  - protecting the natural landscape
  - protecting biodiversity,
  - Explaining and encouraging re-wilding

- Explaining how the Ecology Emergency is separate from the Climate Emergency.
- Implementing a programme for the planting of trees in urban spaces so as to create shade and refuge in the public realm when the temperature gets too hot.
- Requiring all residential developments to have allotments so that we can reduce the carbon footprint by growing what we eat rather than importing 83% of what we buy in the supermarket. Currently, Irish farmers do not produce what Irish consumers are buying in the supermarket.
- Make all public buildings showcases to demonstrate what can be done to de-carbon our buildings and to demonstrate how zero carbon buildings are cheaper to maintain and more comfortable to live and work in.
- Explain how and why Ireland is one of the most de-forested places in the world
- Our ancestors were able to drink water straight from the river. We cannot do that today because of the artificial fertiliser, the animal and human waste, the industrial waste that we discharge into our rivers and sea. We need proactive planning enforcement

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