

Submission to Minister Peter Burke on the Draft Ministerial Direction under section 31 of the Planning and Development Act 2000.

Draft Direction to delete R2.5 zoning on approximately 10 acres of land in Aughrim.

15/11/22

Dear Minister Burke,

As the original proposer of the motion to retain the residential zoning in the draft County Development Plan on the above mentioned land in Aughrim, I wish to appeal to you to reverse your draft direction with regard to this zoning.

I believe it is vitally important to retain this R2.5 zoning to ensure the housing needs of many of our citizens are met. Increasingly it is more and more difficult for local people to obtain planning permission to build outside the Aughrim area. By keeping this land in Aughrim zoned for low density residential we will be ensuring that there will be a choice and variety of housing options for people who need to provide a home for their family.

Aughrim water and waste water infrastructure is currently being upgraded which will soon allow urgently needed renewed housing development.

Yours faithfully,

Cllr. Sylvester Bourke.