

Draft Wicklow Rathnew Draft LAP Amendment Stage Submission - Report

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Wicklow-Rathnew Environs Plan

Some of our lands at Dunbur Head & Dunbur Upper appear to be included in a S.P.A have been mentioned in the above plan.

1 Having checked the council and our land registry map, our lands are not in the Wicklow-Rathnew environs.

2 It had been agreed on several previous occasions by the council, including its open plenary sessions, that landowners would be consulted before their lands would be included in any proposed walkway. This was not done in the present instance.

3 There has been considerable correspondence from ourselves, and, at times, our lawyers, with W.C.C. about the vagueness and unclear signage on existing walkways. The existing non-signage, lack of supervision and lack of clarity on the current walkway has been a source of trespass and slander to title on our lands. There is still no signage. Fences and gates have been damaged and cut. On one occasion someone clearly brought an electronic or mechanical device and cut a gate.

4 Despite good faith engagement on our part to accommodate the public based on council submissions, our lands and fences have been interfered with. We have already made concessions. We further offered in good faith to accommodate the public by offering a reasonable compromise through our lawyers. The council eventually resiled having made representations that a modest lease could be used to facilitate the public.

5 The council refuses to be held accountable or provide any remedy for members of the public with regards to ongoing damage, litter, unauthorised campfires and camping.

6 There is also a concern the privacy, personal safety and welfare of the families and children in our caravan park is a genuine concern based on the proposed coastal walkway.

7 Therefore, any mention of our lands at Dunbur should therefore be removed from your proposal.

Yours,

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