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Choose one or more categories for your submission. Please also select which settlement you wish to make a submission / observation about.

- Proposed Changes to Volume 1 of the Wicklow County Development Plan 2022-2028

Local Planning Framework PART A Strategy

- A.2 County Development Plan strategy for Greystones – Delgany & Kilcoole

Local Planning Framework PART B Settlement Specific Objectives.

- B.6 Heritage, biodiversity and green infrastructure

Write your observations here:

With regard to the Draft Greystones/Delgany/Kilcoole Local Planning Framework,- Variation No. 04, we would like to make a submission as per attached letter for the zoning of Massey Farm Lands back to agricultural zoning due to the iconic Heritage of the Massey ancestry of farming there since 1650. That along with the unique biodiversity of the lands which we now know is way more important than building the next house. Also Greystones has already exceeded the planned population for 2031, and there is more suitable zoned building land to the south of Greystones with a better link to the N11. Attached supporting letter. Thank you in advance for consideration

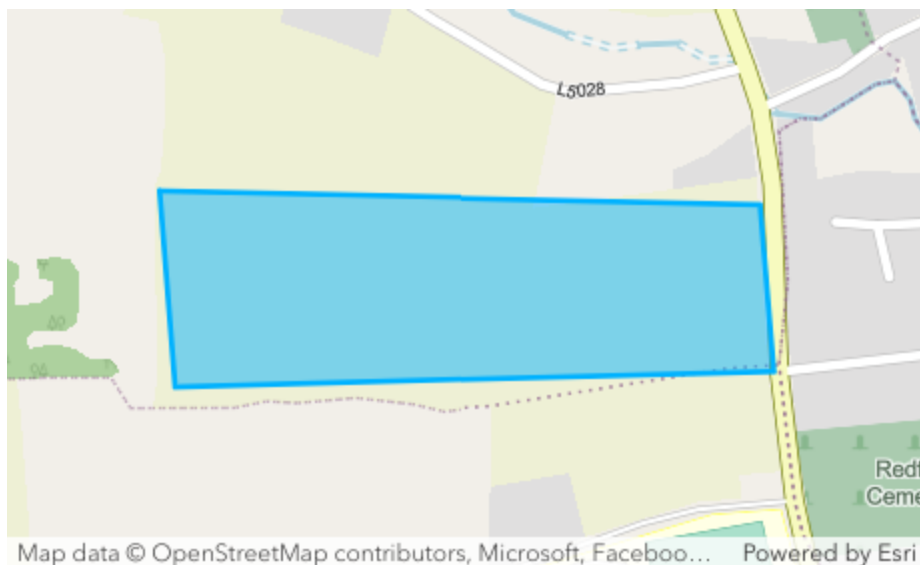
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Greystones/Delgany

Observation relevant to the settlement:

Greystones has already exceeded the planned population for 2031, and needs some years of no further building until the infrastructure and services can catch up. Also there is more suitable zoned building land to the south of Greystones with a better link to the N11. We propose the Massey Farm Lands revert back to agricultural zoning due to the iconic Heritage of the Massey ancestry of farming there since 1650. That along with the unique biodiversity of the lands which we now know is way more important than building the next house. Attached supporting letter. Thank you in advance for consideration

Map



Site Description:

18 Acre farm land part of the Massey Farm Heritage

Map

Site Description:

Upload a File (optional)

Dev. Plan Massey Farm B6 18.06.25.pdf, 0.27MB

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Re: Observation & Heritage Submission for Massey Farm lands

A Chara,

With regard to the draft Greystones/Delgany/Kilcoole Local Planning Framework Variation No. 04, we would like to make a submission for Massey Fram lands to be zoned as original for Farming, and for the following reasons:

- The Massey Farm is of huge Heritage importance in that it has been farmed consistently by generations of the Massey family going back to 1650! This is surely unique in the context of Co. Wicklow, and indeed perhaps in the whole country. We have an absolute duty to protect this precious heritage for our Community and future generations
- This farm provides a significant area of natural biodiversity for Greystones, which we now know is essential for health, wellbeing and the very survival of the human species
- The Greystones area has already far exceeded the planned population growth up to 2031, and needs many years for infrastructure & services to catch up. Also there is more than adequate zoned land to the south of Greystones which is better served with the connection nearby to the N11
- The Massey farm extends across rolling hills and drumlins which are unique to this part of Wicklow. The topography is therefore quite unsuitable for massive housing development, and is far more valuable for farming related objectives which need not exclude additional family homes for this farming family in the future SPP
- This farm hugely enhances the golden welcome to Greystones town, and any extension of farm related activities here should be supported by the Local Area Plan
- The Massey Farm is the only significant employer to the north of Greystones town, and benefits many other supplier businesses in the area
- There is an obvious opportunity for diversification also into organic crops which would provide a secure healthy food source locally for Greystones into the future

We have reached a stage in our evolution where we now know that biodiversity and nature are far more important than building the next house. The science is now there to prove this too, so we absolutely do appeal on sustainability grounds for the protection of this immensely valuable resource for the people of Greystones, and indeed all of us for generations to come

Please advise if we can assist further and we await your advice

Yours faithfully,

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