



# Blessington Local Area Plan Submission - Report

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## Topic

Economic Opportunity - Tourism - Shops & Services - Community Facilities

### Submission

We need to bring the Blessington Athletic Football club back into the town. The facilities out at Crosschapel are not functional. The bad weather consistently ensures that the pitches are not usable. At least every two weeks the matches and training are called off because the pitches are waterlogged. In addition, the pitches are too far away and not accessible by foot or by bicycle. This means that children, as it is mainly children from the ages of 4 to 18, need to be driven to and from training and matches- up to six trips a week, which is not conducive to improving our emissions, or promoting a healthy lifestyle to our children. There is land near the Avon ri and also on the Blessington to Ballymore Eustace Road, that could be made into pitches for our community. We need

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Infrastructure - Sustainable Movement - Transportation

### Submission

We need a lot more bicycle parking in and around the town. People travel from all over Blessington and the surrounding areas to get the bus into Dublin. (The 65). There is no where safe and secure to park a bicycle.

[REDACTED] If there was bicycle parking facilities, they could cycle to the bus stop in the morning and cycle home. However, I have to drop and collect them because there is nowhere for them to securely store their bikes during the day.

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