



WICKLOW COUNTY DEVELOPMENT PLAN 2022-2028 PROPOSED VARIATION NO. 7

Notice is hereby given pursuant to Section 58 of the Planning and Development Act 2024 (as amended) that Wicklow County Council, being the planning authority for the area, proposes to **VARY** the Wicklow County Development Plan 2022-2028 (as varied) in respect of the following:

PROPOSED VARIATION NO. 7

To consider the zoning of lands for additional residential development and associated uses in settlements in the County.

REASON FOR PROPOSED VARIATION:

To take further account of 'NPF Implementation: Housing Growth Requirements' - Guidelines for Planning Authorities, issued under Section 28 of the Planning & Development Act 2000 (as amended) (July 2025), which provide for an increased annual housing growth requirement for Wicklow County Council, and an 'additional provision' mechanism to support the zoning of additional lands in areas where it can be justified.

Submissions are hereby invited on the proposed revised town/settlement zoning maps and, where relevant, proposed new or amended site specific policy objectives.

A copy of the **Proposed Variation**, together with

- An Environmental Report on the likely significant effects on the environment of implementing the Proposed Variation – pursuant to the European Strategic Environmental Assessment Directive (2001/42/EC) and the European Union (Land Use Planning-Strategic Environmental Assessment) Regulations 2025;
- Habitats (Appropriate) Assessment Stage 2 Report (Natura Impact Report) - pursuant to Article 6[3] of the European Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC) and the Planning and Development Act 2024 (as amended); and
- Strategic Flood Risk Assessment – pursuant to Section 27 of the Planning and Development Act 2024 (as amended).

will be available to view at the following locations, during their normal opening hours, from **Thursday 10 September 2026 to Thursday 08 October 2026** inclusive:

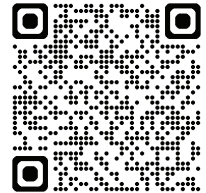
- Wicklow County Council, County Buildings, Station Road, Wicklow Town.
- Copies of the variation are available to download and view on the Council's website www.wicklow.ie through an **online consultation portal**. Scan the QR code on this notice to access the portal.

MAKING A SUBMISSION

Submissions or observations regarding the Proposed Variation and the associated reports are hereby invited from the public and interested bodies. Children, or groups or associations representing the interests of children, are entitled to make submissions or observations. Written submissions or observations made before **5pm (17:00) on Thursday 08 October 2026** will be taken into consideration before the making of the Proposed Variation.

Submissions may be made in **one** of the following ways:

1. Write to 'Variation No. 7', Administrative Officer, Planning Section, Wicklow County Council, Station Road, Wicklow Town.
2. Through the **online consultation portal** at www.wicklow.ie or scan the QR code on this notice.



SUBMISSIONS SHOULD NOT BE MADE BY EMAIL

Please note:

- YOU ARE STRONGLY ADVISED TO MAKE YOUR SUBMISSION AS EARLY AS POSSIBLE
- All submissions are to be clearly marked with '**Proposed Variation No. 7**'.
- All submissions should include your name and a contact address, a map (where appropriate) and, where relevant, details of any organisation, community group or company etc., which you represent.
- Please make your submission by one medium only, i.e. hard copy or through the portal.
- All valid submissions will form a part of the statutory Chief Executive's report and will be available to view online. The planning process is an open and public one, therefore all submissions/observations are a matter of public record and will be available for public viewing; they may also be placed on the County Council's website and therefore should not include any personal information.
- LATE SUBMISSIONS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.

Wicklow County Council is committed to Access For All. All of the above documents are available in alternative format on request. Please contact Wicklow County Council on 0404-20100 should you have any specific access requirements.