

## **Blessington Local Area Plan Submission - Report**

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## **Topic**

## Economic Opportunity – Tourism - Shops & Services - Community Facilities **Submission**

Blessington Tourist Office has the following community development ideas from a tourism point of view:

- Improved Public and local transport
- Boat Hire a company that allows trips out onto the lake for those who want to go fishing or just to travel around to see the views during the summer months.
- More food and drink areas around the lake for the many tourists that walk and drive around in the summer months and holiday times.
- Walking tours of the greenway and the lakeside. Guided tours of the greenway and lakes.
- Specific spots where cars can stop to look over the lake rather than stopping/parking in the middle of the road and causing traffic problems.
- Specific clubs run for tourists during the season so they have things to do in evenings etc. E.G. camera club, yoga, karate, Pilates etc
- A bike trail for those who want to rent bikes or bring their own.
- Places for activities like bowling, swimming, cinema etc.
- Bingo
- Specific spaces for arts and crafts workshops.
- Pony trekking
- Places for camper vans
- Bus tours which go around the lake and stop in places like Hollywood etc.
- Traditional music classes and events for tourists
- Shuttle busses to Russborough and to pick people up from the end of the Greenway
- · Folklore nights
- More public toilets, especially around the Greenway.
- Car hire for tourists who want to travel further afield.
- Specific stores like clothes shops, places like McDonalds etc.
- Motor Tax opened for longer hours.
- More facilities for active retirement.
- More facilities for young people to keep them off the streets during holiday time.
- Picnic areas
- Accommodation