



Draft Blessington Local Area Plan Submission - Report

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Topic

Community Development (incl. sports facilities & schools, etc.)

Submission

I am a member of Poulaphouca Paddlers. It is a busy canoe/kayak club based on Poulaphuca reservoir. We have members from east Kildare and west Wicklow.

The club offers a great pathway for people into outdoor adventure and water sports

Ideally the club would have a dedicated space for a club house for its current members in the same way that the rowing and sailing clubs have. This could also facilitate future development that offers more sports opportunities to the local community. Such a club house would need to be in a sheltered bay.

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Any other issues

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I am a member of Poulaphouca Paddlers. It is a busy kayak/canoe club based on Poulaphuca reservoir. There are approximately 110 members in the club from east Kildare and West Wicklow.

The club is a provides an excellent pathway for people into water and adventure sports.

It would be ideal

- provision ought to include slipway as this would be most accessible
- provision ought to include an appropriate measure of parking to facilitate transport of kayaks

- provision ought to include changing rooms, boat store, workshop, tea room / kitchenette
- location in a bay would give most flexibility and shelter from weather to maximise potential usage

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