



Arklow Local Area Plan Submission - Report

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Topic

Regeneration of Communities & Places - Healthy Placemaking - Urban Design - Opportunity Sites in Arklow

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Arklow coast and beaches should be maintained for the community. The cove at road stone is a great asset which should be developed and another cove could also be created at the north beach also.

Some ideas for the cove at road stone

Access road

Car park

Outdoor showers

Bins

Benches

Diving/jumping Platform

Swimming raft/pontoon

Lifeguard Station

Wheel chair access and hand rails allowing access right into the sea.

Commercial area for a small business - coffee shop/sauna/watersports hire

coastal paths to be repaired and developed on north and south beaches.

An allotment space for people in the town to grow their own produce with a long term view to a farmers market on the same site to sell home grown produce.

A local bus service, even twice daily, at peak times, from train station to outlying estates and maybe supermarkets.

A community kitchen for warm food and community for those who lack either or both of those things.

A 'fix it' work shop for people to get help mending things instead of having to throw fixable 'stuff' out.

Regular 'town hall' meetings with local councillors and council engineers and planners so questions can be asked in a public 'in person' forum.

Full time Caretakers for the graveyard

Abbey lane area to be cleaned up.

More protection for local heritage, natural and archaeological. There are very few mature trees in the town centre.

More incentives for businesses to start up in town centre- lower rates or temporary abolition of rates and grants to help kickstart new businesses in the street.

A new hotel in the town centre.

A local free bus that would loop through the town stopping at apple green, SuperValu, Lidl/Tesco, St. Saviours, St. Mary's and Peter's, Ferrybank, Templerainy, Caravan park, Bay hotel, Bridgewater Aldi, lower main st. Harbour, Navy hill.

CPO of derelict unused buildings in main st that are falling into disrepair and are a hazard to the community. !!!

Would like to see more activity along riverbank once works are completed-

Markets, food trucks, covered stalls set up to facilitate vendors and festivals

Remove the stop signs at lower main st. Dainty Bakery intersection. A lot of drivers ignore those signs or simply don't see them as the flow of the street is the main thoroughfare. Traffic coming up through Tinahask should not have the right of way when turning right into south green . It is unintuitive and will cause accidents. I see it constantly and hate driving towards that intersection as you never know if an approaching car on lower Main Street understands the rules, or simply doesn't care.

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Glenart castle should be CPO'd. I don't understand how it is being allowed to collapse. The castle may not be the most archaeologically significant but the gardens are. They should be restored and protected.

The entire place could be a nation centre for natural heritage / biodiversity/ local food movements.

Centre for education in horticulture

Organic food production

So much potential

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The green area at church view is a great space that should be maintained as a football and play area and can be used for open air events like concerts in the summer. Would be nice to see some trees planted around the edges, maybe in the style of pocket/mini forests? And some benches a landscaping with native plants.

For an allotment space, some of the areas designated for mixed use spaces could be used.

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A bridge over the railway tracks directly into the Tesco car park and open the old entrance to Tesco car park

A second bridge across the river that could come out at Kilbride or Shelton

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