



Proposed Variation No. 7 to the Wicklow County Development Plan Submission Report

Submission Details

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Proposed Variation Parts

Topic	Part 1: Proposed Variation to town / settlement zoning maps and, where relevant, proposed new or amended site specific policy objectives.
Submission	1. Level 4: Enniskerry

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This Submission relates to EK2 Monastery, Scalp Road No. 177.

I wish to object to the proposed change of zoning to the land in question. The proposed development would represent a significant and inappropriate change to the character of this incredibly scenic and green area. It is unique and much loved. It is highly valued by so many people who love to see the Scalp so clearly from the road and enjoy the peace and tranquility. There is also perfectly serviceable roads already in place. The development would permanently alter the character of this very special place.

I am particularly concerned by the visual impact of the development which would be highly visible from all roads and the loss of this unique view of the Scalp. The accompanying road would introduce additional hard surfacing, traffic, lighting, signage, noise and activity into an area that is currently relatively rural and peaceful.

It would significantly change the rural character of this area forever.

The proposed development would extend development further along the existing road corridor rather than consolidating the established built-up area of the village.

This would contribute to ribbon development which would undermine the compact form and proper definition of the village and make it difficult to maintain a clear distinction between the built up settlement and the surrounding countryside.

Consideration should be made as to whether the proposal is consistent with the consolidation and orderly expansion of existing settlements, the prevention of ribbon development, the protection of the rural landscape and the protection of the visual and environmental amenities of the village and surrounding countryside.

To me, it would make much more sense to rezone and develop the area south of SLO10 and BR3 which would consolidate the development much closer to the village and would have no Ribbon development. This area would also be easily accessible by the new link road planned between Annabasky and Fassaroe.

