



Greystones-Delgany & Kilcoole Local Area Plan Submission - Report

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Topic

Compact Growth - Housing - Population Growth

Submission

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COMPACT GROWTH – HOUSING – POPULATION GROWTH > Where should higher densities be located? How do we deliver higher densities?

> Where do we deliver our new housing without contributing to urban sprawl?

> What sites in the town centres or other areas could be redeveloped to maximise opportunities?

> Where are the vacant or underutilised sites in the settlement? How can the plan maximise the use of these sites??

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INFRASTRUCTURE - SUSTAINABLE MOVEMENT – TRANSPORTATION > What are the key transport and movement issues affecting residents, workers and visitors?

> How can we make the towns a safer, friendlier place for pedestrians and cyclists?

> Where should new/upgraded footpaths, cycleways, roads and other linkages be located?

> What are the issues to overcome in moving from the private car to public transport or walking and cycling?

> Are there any services infrastructure issues in the area?

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General points

- No further developments in the Greystones, Delgany, Kilcoole area should be approved until there is sufficient infrastructure and services in place to support the rapid housing growth that has already taken place in the area. There are insufficient creche spaces available for childcare. There are insufficient school places (particularly secondary school places which has hit crisis level). There are also insufficient medical services for the current population in the area. These childcare, education and medical services need to be drastically improved before any further housing developments are approved which would only exacerbates these serious issues.
- The bus network from the Greystones, Delgany, Kilcoole area towards Bray, Blackrock and Dublin city centre needs to be expanded. The 84 bus needs to be increased in frequency. An 84X bus stop needs to be in place for the Three Trout Bridge stop. Consideration should be given to extending the 155 / 145 route to Greystones / Delgany / Kilcoole to facilitate greater connectivity to Dublin city.

- The DART services to and from Greystones needs to run more frequently on weekends. One train an hour is not sufficient. If one train every half hour is possible on weekdays, then it should also be possible on weekends.
- Greystones / Delgany / Kilcoole needs to have better transport access to Dublin Airport. The current Aircoach timetable to Greystones is insufficient and cannot be availed of for later arrival flights.
- There need to be public waste bins in the Eden Gates / Archers Wood area. It is most regrettable that there are no bins at all at the Eden Gate Centre.
- Pedestrian traffic lights should be put in place at the entrance to Greystones village after the south beach to replace the current pedestrian crossing as the traffic through Church Road in the mornings has become too heavy.
- There needs to be an expansion of the Greystones park and ride or another such arrangement close by.