



# Greystones - Delgany & Kilcoole Draft LPF Amendment Stage Submission - Report

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## Topic

LAP - Proposed Material Amendments No 26 Submission

## Submission

Dear Councillors, Planners, and Chief Executive,

Could I ask you please to re-consider your council decision of 6 Oct to extend the Greystones-Delgany urban boundary to include the 29 acres at Bellevue Hill (immediately adjacent to Glen of the Downs protected nature reserve and Bellevue Woods) which is earmarked for GAA use (although not yet finalised as such so any zoning would apply to any future owner).

While I fully understand, and agree with, your intentions to maximise sports facilities (as well as preserve nature facilities) for us, the community, I believe that the decision may not have been fully-informed by an analysis of the site and due diligence as to the environmental impact and urban planning / encroachment precedent that would be set.

Have you had a chance yet to walk the site or see the full mapping & environmental impact assessment?

As you may have seen, it is a unique biodiverse habitat (stream, rare wet woodland, sloping hill, mature trees - including some felled recently - and hedges) and ecological network, despite this not being clear from the Amendment you had to vote on and the corresponding Proposed Material Alteration 26. I am corresponding with Delgany Community Council, Delgany Tidy Towns, and neighbours on whether (and how) we can further share our local insight and help you get a better, 3-dimensional understanding of the site and its nature before you vote to confirm or amend your decision.

I would urge you to trust our professional WCC planners (re. sustainable urban planning), as well as the local insight and experience from groups such as the Wicklow Planning Alliance (submission linked below), Delgany Community Council, Greystones Tidy Towns, the Fortune Family, and other local residents and groups who have made submissions.

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Thank you for your consideration and due diligence.

Kind regards,

Keith Scanlon

Resident in The Nurseries, Cherry Lane, Delgany Wood, which is downstream on the Brown Trouts Stream which rises on the Bellevue Hill site we are discussing (just north of the 29 acre "GAA" site actually, in the adjoining field still for sale, and flows through that "GAA" site down Bellevue Hill into Littlebrook Estate (historically the Kindlestown Castle marsh), where it is joined by the Kindlestown castle stream and then on through Delgany Woods, and on into the Three Trouts River in Archers Wood)

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