

LOUTH COUNTY COUNCIL



PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT ACT 2000 (AS AMENDED) PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS 2001 (AS AMENDED)

NOTICE OF PROPOSED VARIATION (No. 1) OF THE LOUTH COUNTY DEVELOPMENT PLAN 2021-2027

Notice is hereby given pursuant to Section 13 of the Planning & Development Act 2000 (as amended) that Louth County Council proposes to make a Variation (Variation No. 1) of the Louth County Development Plan 2021-2027.

The reasons for this proposed Variation are:

1. To update the County Development Plan to take account of the methodology and housing projections as set out in the Section 28 Guidelines 'Housing Supply Target Methodology for Development Planning' and the 'Projected Housing Demand by Local Authority Area 2020-2031 – ESRI NPF Scenario Housing Supply Target' provided by the Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage in December 2020. This will ensure that the housing provision in the Development Plan is consistent with, and aligned with, national and regional policy.
2. To update the County Development Plan to ensure it is consistent with Part V of the Planning and Development Act as amended by the Affordable Housing Act 2021.

Proposed Variation No. 1 of the Louth County Development Plan 2021-2027 is accompanied a Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA) Screening Report and associated SEA Screening Determination, prepared in accordance with the Planning & Development (Strategic Environmental Assessment) Regulations 2004 (as amended). Proposed Variation No. 1 is also accompanied by an Appropriate Assessment (AA) Screening Report and associated AA Screening Determination prepared in accordance with Part XAB of the Planning & Development Act 2000 (as amended).

A copy of proposed Variation No. 1 of the Louth County Development Plan 2021-2027 (and associated SEA and AA Screening documents) will be available for inspection, from **Wednesday 18th May, 2022** at the following locations:

Louth County Council website at <https://www.louthcoco.ie/en/publications/development-plans/>

Louth County Council Customer Service Desks:

- *County Hall, Millennium Centre, Dundalk, Co. Louth*
- *Town Hall, Crowe Street, Dundalk, Co. Louth*
- *Fair Street, Drogheda, Co. Louth*
- *Mid Louth Civic Service Centre, Fairgreen, Ardee, Co. Louth*

Louth County Council Libraries (during their respective opening hours):

- *County Library, Roden Place, Dundalk, Co. Louth*
- *Drogheda Library, Stockwell Lane, Drogheda, Co. Louth*
- *Ardee Library, Market Square, Ardee, Co. Louth*
- *Dunleer Library, Station House, Dunleer, Co. Louth*
- *Carlingford Library, Newry Street, Carlingford, Co. Louth*

Making a Submission/Observation

Written submissions or observations regarding the proposed Variation No. 1 (and associated SEA and AA Screening documents), can be made between **Wednesday 18th May, 2022 until 4pm on Friday 17th June, 2022**, in one of the following forms:

- By **e-mail** to: variation@louthcoco.ie
or
- In **writing** to Thomas McEvoy, A/Director of Services, Town Hall, Crowe Street, Dundalk, Co. Louth A91 W20C

When making a submission/observation please note the following:

- Submissions/Observations should be clearly marked '**Variation No. 1**'
- Submissions/Observations should be made in **one** format only i.e. letter or e-mail.
- Submissions/Observations will be made available on the Council's website within 10 days of their receipt. (personal details should be provided on a separate page)
- Children or groups or associations representing the interests of children are entitled to make submissions/observations.

Louth County Council is subject to the provisions of the Freedom of Information (FOI) Acts (as amended). If you consider that any of the information supplied by you is either commercially sensitive or confidential in nature, this should be highlighted and the reasons for its sensitivity specified. In such cases, the relevant material will, in response to FOI requests, be examined in light of exemptions provided for in the FOI Act.

Louth County Council is subject to the provisions of the Data Protection Act (as amended) and General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR). In order to assist us in complying with Data Protection and GDPR **please include your name and contact details on a separate sheet** to the content of your submission/observation.

Any written submissions or observations in respect of the proposed Variation No. 1 (and associated SEA and AA Screening documents) received within the timeframe, will be taken into consideration before the making of Variation No. 1.

Please note that late submissions cannot be accepted.

Thomas McEvoy
A/Director of Services
Planning, Infrastructure & Economic Development