Cork County Council

Cork County Development Plan 2022-2028

Pre-Draft Public Consultation Phase

Public Consultation Events

On 12th March, 2020, Cork County Council gave Notice under Section 11 of the Planning and Development Act, 2000 (as amended) of its intention to review the Cork County Development Plan 2014 to prepare a new Plan for its functional area.

Please note that the <u>Pre Draft Public Consultation Period ends at 12 midnight on Thursday 2nd July 2020.</u>

Public Consultation Events

In line with Government advice on COVID-19 Cork County Council was obliged to cancel Public Consultation Events which had been scheduled to discuss the key areas that need to be considered in the new County Development Plan.

Consequently, Cork County Council now wishes to announce that the Council is proposing to hold Public Meetings, by individual appointment only in the County Hall Foyer on the following dates;

Tuesday 16th June 2020 from 3pm to 8pm

and

Wednesday 17th June 2020 from 3pm to 8pm

to facilitate discussion with members of the Planning Policy Unit on the issues which the new Development Plan needs to address. These meetings present an opportunity for you to get involved in the future planning of Cork County at a **strategic level.**

If you would like to attend one of these Public Meetings, please contact the Planning Policy Unit at Tel: 021 4285900 or by email planningpolicyunit@corkcoco.ie to book an appointment.

These Public Meetings will take place in line with COVID-19 Government advice and will be by individual appointment only. Therefore it is expected that such meetings will have duration of no more than 15 minutes.

If you are unable to make these specific Public Meetings the staff of the Planning Policy Unit continue to be available by phone to discuss all aspects of the CDP Review during normal office hours at oren.

Alternatively you can make an appointment outside the Public Meeting dates above using the Cork County Council Appointments Booking System which is available at

https://www.corkcoco.ie/en/planning

If you wish to communicate in Irish, arrangements will be put in place to facilitate same.

Public Consultation Document

In order to stimulate debate and encourage participation in this process a Public Consultation Document (accompanied by a series of Background Documents on key topics) was published and are available for inspection and download on the County Council website:

www.corkcoco.ie/en/Cork-County-Development-Plan-2022-2028.

Copies of the **Public Consultation Document** are available for purchase, enquiries to the Planning Policy Unit, Tel: 021 4285900.

Making a Submission

Submissions or observations regarding the review of the existing Plan(s), the preparation of a new County Development Plan and the policies and objectives which should be included in the new Plan to deliver an overall strategy supporting the proper planning and sustainable development of the area, are hereby invited from members of the public, children, or groups or associations representing the interests of children and other interested parties.

On the basis that it is proposed to include the former Town Council functional areas and the current Municipal District Local Area Plans in the new County Development Plan, parties with an interest in lands within these areas should consider the need to make a submission to the County Council as part of this consultative process.

The Planning Authority intends to review the zoning of the area of the development plan including the 9 former Town Council Towns and the settlements in the 8 Municipal District Local Area Plans, 2017 for the purposes of developing objectives and policies to deliver an overall strategy for the proper planning and sustainable development of the area of the development plan and the core strategy.

However at this stage requests or proposals for the zoning of particular land for any purpose shall not be considered.

Submissions may be made during the period from <u>12th March</u>, <u>2020 to 12 midnight on Thursday 2nd July</u>, <u>2020 inclusive</u>, in <u>either of</u> the following two ways listed hereunder:

 Make a submission or observation on-line, just log on to our website <u>www.corkcoco.ie/en/Cork-County-Development-Plan-2022-2028</u> and follow the instructions provided

OR

• Make a formal written submission to the <u>Senior Planner, Planning Policy Unit, Planning and Development Directorate, Cork County Council, Floor 13, County Hall, Cork.</u>

For legal reasons, we cannot accept submissions for this pre-draft stage outside the period from <u>12th March</u>, <u>2020 to 12 midnight on Thursday 2nd July 2020 inclusive</u>. All such submissions lodged within the above period will be taken into consideration prior to the preparation of the new Draft County Development Plan.

<u>Please make your submission by one medium only i.e. via the website or in hard copy</u>. This will avoid the duplication of submission reference numbers and will streamline the process. Where possible, please include your name and address on a separate page to the content of your submission in order to assist Cork County Council in complying with the provisions of the Data Protection Act. Your assistance on these issues is appreciated.

Because of the large volume of submissions expected the public are advised to make their submissions/ Observations to the Council well in advance of the closing date.

Please note that in accordance with Section 19 of the Planning and Development (Amendment) Act, 2018 all submissions received by the Council shall be published on the Cork County Council website within 10 working days of its receipt by the Council subject to the provisions of Section 251A. The planning process is an open and public process and therefore your submission (in part or in total) will be available to view online at https://www.yourcouncil.ie/service/Planning_Policy_Submissions.

Cork County Council is subject to the requirements of the Freedom of Information Act, 2014; the Data Protection Act, 2018 and to the General Data Protection Regulations (GDPR).

Please be aware that in order to process those submissions that contain certain GDPR Special Categories of data/Sensitive Personal Data as defined by Article 9 of the GDPR <u>explicit consent to the processing of the special categories of data must be provided by the person to whom the data refers.</u>

It is necessary for the Council to collect some personal information in order to process your submission. Legally we can process this information in the exercise of official authority vested in the Council. The protection of your personal data is a key priority for the Council and your data will be processed in line with our Privacy policy which is available at https://www.corkcoco.ie/privacy-statement-cork-county-council or hardcopy from our offices at County Hall, Carrigrohane Road, Cork.

Should you have any questions about <u>our privacy policy</u> or the information we hold about you please contact us by email to <u>dpo@corkcoco.ie</u> or write to us at Data Protection Officer, Cork County Council, County Hall, Carrigrohane Road, Cork.

Dated this 9th day of June, 2020

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DESIGNATED PUBLIC OFFICIAL UNDER
REGULATION OF LOBBYING ACT, 2015