

**Cork County Council**

**Planning and Development Act 2000 (as amended)  
and  
Planning and Development Regulations 2001(as amended)**

**Variation No. 2 of the Cork County Development Plan, 2014 was made by the Council on the 27<sup>th</sup> January 2020.**

**Draft Direction in the matter of Section 31 of the Planning and Development Act 2000 (as amended)**

**Extended Period for Public Consultation as set out under Section 251A of the Planning and Development, Act 2000, as amended, on 29 March 2020 and in Accordance with the Emergency Measures in the Public Interest (Covid 19) Act, 2020.**

The Minister has commenced Section 9 of the recently enacted Emergency Measures in the Public Interest (Covid 19) Act, 2020 which inserts a new provision (Section 251A) into the Planning and Development Act, 2000, as amended.

The Minister made the Order under Section 251A(4), , such that the period from **29<sup>th</sup> March 2020 to the 20<sup>th</sup> April 2020, inclusive**, may be disregarded when calculating any appropriate period, specified period, or other timelines in the Planning and Development Act, 2000, as amended, or provisions, or in any regulations made under the Act.

In accordance with said Order the Public Consultation Period on the Draft Ministerial Direction has been extended to **12 midnight on Friday 24<sup>th</sup> April 2020** so as to facilitate engagement by members of the public.

A copy of the Draft Direction may be inspected online at [www.corkcocodevplan.com](http://www.corkcocodevplan.com) **at all times and a submission can be made at any time up to 12 midnight on Friday 24<sup>th</sup> April 2020.**

**Making a Submission**

Written submissions or observations in respect of the Draft Direction may be made to the Planning Authority during the stated period and **are hereby invited from members of the public, children, or groups or associations representing the interests of children and other interested parties.**

These submissions or observations shall be taken into consideration by the Office of the Planning Regulator before it makes a recommendation to the Minister on the matter.

Submission or observations in respect of the draft direction can be made from **9am on Thursday 19th March to 12 midnight on Friday 24<sup>th</sup> April 2020.** Please make your submission by one medium only, either electronic or hard copy;

Submissions may be made in **either of** the following two ways listed hereunder:

- Make a submission or observation on-line, just log on to our website [www.corkcocodevplan.com](http://www.corkcocodevplan.com) and follow the instructions provided

**OR**

- Make a formal written submission to the Senior Planner, Planning Policy Unit, Planning and Development Directorate, Cork County Council, Floor 13, County Hall, Cork.

For legal reasons, we cannot accept submissions outside the period from **9am on Thursday 19th March to 12 midnight on Friday 24<sup>th</sup> April 2020.** All such submissions lodged within the above period will be taken into consideration.

**Please make your submission by one medium only i.e. via the website or in hard copy.** 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.

**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 explicit consent to the processing of the special categories of data must be provided by the person to whom the data refers.**

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 our privacy policy or the information we hold about you please contact us by email to [dpo@corkcoco.ie](mailto:dpo@corkcoco.ie) or write to us at Data Protection Officer, Cork County Council, County Hall, Carrigrohane Road, Cork.

Dated this 1st day of April, 2020

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DESIGNATED PUBLIC OFFICIAL UNDER  
REGULATION OF LOBBYING ACT, 2015**