# Further Extension to the Pre Draft Public Consultation Period

## **Cork County Council**

### **Cork County Development Plan 2022-2028**

Further Extended Period for Public Consultation as set out under Section 251A of the Planning and Development, Act 2000, as amended, on 16<sup>th</sup> April 2020 and in Accordance with the Emergency Measures in the Public Interest (Covid 19) Act, 2020.

The Minister commenced Section 9 of 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 a further Order on the 16<sup>th</sup> April 2020 under Section 251A(4), such that the period from Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> March 2020 until Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> May 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 <u>Pre Draft Public Consultation</u> <u>Period has been further extended to 12 midnight on Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> June 2020</u> so as to facilitate engagement by members of the public to allow for the holding of Public Consultation Events.

The dates and locations for associated Public Consultation Events will be published when current restrictions on movement have been lifted.

#### **Public Consultation Document**

In order to stimulate debate and encourage participation in this process a Public Consultation Document has been prepared and is available Online at <a href="https://www.corkcoco.ie/en/Cork-County-Development-Plan-2022-2028">www.corkcoco.ie/en/Cork-County-Development-Plan-2022-2028</a> at all times.

This Public Consultation Document is accompanied by a series of **Background Documents** on key topics which highlight the main issues to be considered as part of the Plan review. These documents can be downloaded from <a href="https://www.corkcoco.ie/en/Cork-County-Development-Plan-2022-2028">www.corkcoco.ie/en/Cork-County-Development-Plan-2022-2028</a>.

#### **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>12<sup>th</sup> March</u>, <u>2020 to 12 midnight on Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> June</u>, <u>2020 inclusive</u>, in <u>either of the following two ways listed hereunder:</u>

 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</u> <u>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>12<sup>th</sup> March</u>, <u>2020 to 12 midnight on Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> June 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 valid 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 <a href="https://www.corkcoco.ie/privacy-statement-cork-county-council">https://www.corkcoco.ie/privacy-statement-cork-county-council</a> 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 21st day of April, 2020

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REGULATION OF LOBBYING ACT, 2015