

**CORK COUNTY COUNCIL
PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT ACT, 2000 (as amended)**

**NOTICE OF PREPARATION OF MUNICIPAL DISTRICT
DRAFT LOCAL AREA PLANS.**

Notice is hereby given, pursuant to Section 20 (3)(b) of the Planning & Development Act, 2000 as amended, that Cork County Council has prepared a Draft Local Area Plan for each of the following Municipal Districts:

- Ballincollig-Carrigaline Municipal District**
- Bandon-Kinsale Municipal District**
- Blarney-Macroom Municipal District**
- Cobh Municipal District**
- East Cork Municipal District**
- Fermoy Municipal District**
- Kanturk-Mallow Municipal District**
- West Cork Municipal District**

It is intended that when adopted in July 2017, the new Municipal District Local Area Plans will replace the 10 Electoral Area Local Area Plans 2011 currently in force. The new Local Area Plans when adopted will also incorporate, and update where appropriate, the land use zoning maps and associated policy objectives of the Town Council Development Plans - Clonakilty Town Development Plan 2009; Cobh Town Development Plan 2013; Fermoy Town Development Plan 2009; Kinsale Town Development Plan 2009; Macroom Town Development Plan 2009; Mallow Town Development Plan 2010; Middleton Town Development Plan 2013; Skibbereen Town Development Plan 2009; and Youghal Town Development Plan 2009

Each Draft Local Area Plan consists of 3 Volumes set out as follows:-

- Volume 1: Main Policy Material (including small scale policy maps)
- Volume 2: Environmental Reports (which includes the SEA Environmental Report; Strategic Flood Risk Assessment and the Habitats Directive Screening Report).
- Volume 3: Draft Local Area Plan Map Browser (large scale detailed local area plan policy map versions of all the small scale zoning maps in Volume 1)

Volume	Title	Availability		
		Print	CD	Online
1	Main Policy Material	✓	✓	✓
2	Environmental Reports	-	-	✓
3	Map Browser	-	-	✓

Volume 1 of the Draft Local Area Plans (hard-copy or electronic format) together with Volume(s) 2 and 3 in electronic format only, may be inspected by the public, each working day, (exclusive of public holidays), between the hours of 9.30 a.m. and

4.00 p.m. during the period beginning **Wednesday 16th November, 2016 and Friday 6th January, 2017** at the following locations:

- **Planning Department, Floor 1 County Hall, Cork.**
- **Planning Department, Norton House, Cork Rd., Skibbereen, Co. Cork.**
- **Cork County Council Divisional Office at Annabella, Mallow**
- **County Library and Branch Libraries – Please check your local library regarding opening times and availability of PCs for accessing electronic format**
- **Online at www.corkcoco.ie at all times.**

If you have any queries with regard to the policy content of the documents arising from viewing them at the above locations, please contact the Planning Policy Unit at 021 4285900.

Cork County Council advises those wishing to inspect the Draft Plans, that during the Christmas period, Council Offices will close at normal finishing time on **Friday 23rd December until Thursday 29th December, 2016**. The offices will also be closed on **Monday 2nd January, 2017**. However, the Draft Local Area Plans will continue to be available to inspect and download in .pdf format during this time from the Council website www.corkcoco.ie.

The Draft Local Area Plans are available on cd-rom at the locations listed above or please contact the Planning Policy Unit at 021-4285900 to receive a cd by post. Volume 1 of each Draft Local Area Plan (hard-copy) is also available for purchase. Enquiries to the Planning Policy Unit.

A series of public information events on the Draft Local Area Plans will be held across the County. At these exhibitions members of the public will have the opportunity to discuss the draft plans with Cork County Council staff. Venues, dates and times are as follows:

Local Area Plan	Venue	Date	Time
Fermoy Municipal District	Fermoy Town Hall Fermoy	22/11/2016	12 – 4.30 p.m.
West Cork Municipal District	Former Town Council Offices, North Street, Skibbereen	22/11/2016	12 – 4.30 p.m.
East Cork Municipal District	Midleton Park Hotel Midleton	29/11/2016	12 – 4.30 p.m.
Ballincollig-Carrigaline Municipal District	County Hall Cork	01/12/2016	12 – 4.30 p.m.
Kanturk-Mallow Municipal District	Cork County Council Offices, Annabella Mallow	01/12/2016	12 – 4.30 p.m.

Blarney-Macroom Municipal District	Blarney Community Hall Blarney	06/12/2016	12 – 4.30 p.m.
Cobh Municipal District	Radisson Blu Hotel Little Island Co. Cork	06/12/2016	12 – 4.30 p.m.
Bandon-Kinsale Municipal District	Council Chamber Bandon Town Hall North Main St Bandon	08/12/2016	12 – 4.30 p.m.

It is also intended to hold a **special information event** in the County Hall to outline the Council's proposal in respect of the Strategic Land Reserve for Metropolitan Cork. For those interested in attending this event, please contact the Planning Policy Unit, on or before **4 p.m. on Friday 2nd December, 2016. Tel: 021 4285900.**

Submissions or observations are hereby invited from the public or interested parties, in relation to the Draft Local Area Plans and will be taken into consideration prior to the making of the Local Area Plans. Children, or groups or associations representing the interests of children, are entitled to make submissions or observations on the Draft Local Area Plans.

On the basis that it is proposed to include the former Town Council administrative areas within the Local Area Plan review, parties with an interest in the proper planning and sustainable development of the former Town Council administrative areas (including persons with an interest in specific lands) should consider the need to make a submission to the County Council as part of this consultative process.

Cork County Council has provided a system whereby submissions with associated attachments can be made on-line by the public and interested parties through www.corkcoco.ie. However, the Council regrets that for technical reasons, submissions made by e-mail cannot be accepted.

Written submissions or observations should be forwarded to the address below to arrive on or before **Friday 6th January, 2017 (4 p.m.)**

**The Senior Planner,
Cork County Council,
Planning Policy Unit,
Floor 13, County Hall,
Cork.**

Submissions or observations with respect to the draft Local Area Plans, made either on-line (via www.corkcoco.ie) or in writing, and received by the Planning Authority within the period **Wednesday 16th November, 2016 until 4 p.m. Friday 6th January, 2017**, will be taken into consideration before the making of the eight Municipal District Local Area Plans.

To avoid delay and congestion the public are advised to make their submissions or observations to the Council as soon as possible in advance of 4 p.m. on Friday 6th January, 2017.

Cork County Council is subject to the provisions of the Freedom of Information Act, 2014.

Dated this 16th day of November, 2016

John O'Neill

Director of Planning

Designated Public Official under the Regulation of Lobbying Act, 2015