



Draft Wicklow Town – Rathnew LAP Submission - Report

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Topic

Residential Development

Submission

We are both residents in Knockrobin [REDACTED] and strongly object to the development proposed in SLO 4 adjoining our home, These fields are some of the last remaining green areas in the Rathnew/ Wicklow zone and are home to a wide variety of birds and wildlife, The eco systems here are slowly becoming extinct, We are living here for 37 years and have heard hundreds of birds sing with the dawn chorus in years past but now this chorus is tiny in comparison because the trees are all being cut down to accommodate building with Tinakilly Park devastating any remaining wildlife that lived in that area, we are also close to the bird sanctuary in Broadlough where the beautiful seabirds are cherished and protected. I have witnessed many small animals with literally nowhere to live, rabbits, squirrels and badgers among many others in the garden and forced from the fields and hedgerows - Just to also point out that Wicklow has no shopping facilities to accommodate the thousands of new homes already built over the last number of years, as it is the Rathnew to Wicklow road is bumper to bumper with traffic going both ways it is a nightmare and can take 20 minutes to get from Rathnew to Wicklow at certain times, The residents have to drive to Arklow, Bray or Dublin to purchase the most basic clothing:- ie underwear and household items so the new homes and residents generally do not contribute to the local economy as the majority work/shop in Dublin and just contribute to traffic congestion, Could this area not be preserved as a public park or sporting track for the local Athletic club for example, It is not sustainable to keep shoving up housing estates with no green areas and very little outdoor facilities like green walkways in particular. The garden County capital is being transformed into a concrete suburb of Dublin

Topic

Strategic Flood Risk Assessment & SFRA Map

Submission

I object to the building in SLO 4 as this field adjoins marshlands and bog and is prone to flooding at the lower end, It would be crazy to build houses on it unless they are put up on stilts!

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