



Draft Wicklow Town – Rathnew LAP Submission - Report

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Land Use Zoning Map

Submission

I want to submit my strong objection to the SLO4 rezoning [RN (2) New Residential Priority 2.

I have lived in the Knockrobin area all my life and boarder the new rezoning area SLO4. Over the last hand full of years, I have seen the new estates in Tinakilly Park being built along with the loss of trees, farm land and wild fields devastate the local wildlife that had started to rebound over the last 10 years or so. I am certain this new rezoning will be a massive blow to the wildlife I have spent my life growing up with. If this planned rezoning goes ahead, it will be have a serious impact on my home life here, surrounded by new houses that are 2-stories high, blocking light as we live in a bungalow, removing all the privacy I have had for over 36 years and the area will be filled with noise and additional light pollution that will ruin what I have come to love about Knockrobin in my home area. I've attached pictures of the view that would be destroyed by the rezoning development.

Rathnew and Wicklow has blown out of proportion with housing in recent years that can't be kept up with by the facilities such as schools and public transport or even decent road networks, my husband spends over 1.5hrs each way to commute in and out of Dublin to work, and lately has to drive over the Wicklow mountain to avoid a good portion of the M50 M11 and N11 both ways. At present during peak times, it's very difficult to exit the Knockrobin estate to head right towards Rathnew. There is congestion at Knockrobin entrance now since the opening of Tinakilly Park Estate. These major rezoning projects will further erode the fabric of this community making it just a commuter hub for Dublin with no real development for the locals and a worsening traffic problem at the cost of natural habitats and costal biomes that are hard to find in modern Ireland.

Lastly, the sections of the fields marked for rezoning are in a constant state of mud and in heavy rains can have spot flooding. I would have grave doubts that any residential builds wouldn't be greatly affected by the water flooding there and the effect climate change will have to sea levels and coastal flooding in years to come. This is a very poorly thought through rezoning plan, not only will it greatly impact and harm my personal life in the

area in massive ways, but it would also be a great disservice to the environment and put any residences of the proposed building plans if this was bulldozed through in a poor situation in years to come.

I really do hope the rezoning is reconsidered and you find the current approach untenable for both the local and wider community and ecosystem.

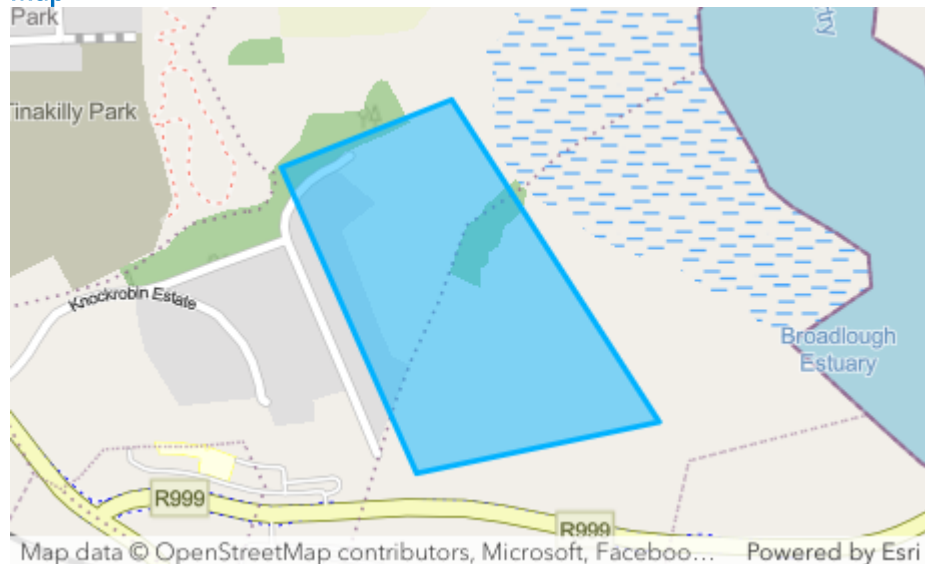
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[Any other issues](#)

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As detailed above

Map



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SLO4

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