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Subject:

DHPLG Submission on Material Alterations to Draft Bray Municipal District Local Area

Plan 2018-2024

Attachments:

DHPLG Submission 09 March 2018 Mat Alts Bray LAP 2018-2024.pdf; ATT00001.txt;

ATT00002.htm

To Whom It May Concern,

Please find attached submission from the Department of Housing, Planning & Local Government on the Material Alterations to Draft Bray Municipal District Local Area Plan 2018-2024.

I would be very grateful for confirmation of receipt of the attached submission.

**Kind Regards** 

Ciara

Ciara Gilgunn
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Seirbhís ar scoth an domhain a chur ar fáil don Stát agus do mhuintir na hÉireann.





09 March, 2018

Administrative Officer,
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Station Road,
Wicklow Town.

Re: Material Alterations to the Draft Bray Municipal District
Local Area Plan 2018-2024

A Chara

I am directed by the Minister for Housing and Urban Development to refer to your recent letter in relation to the above and set out hereunder observations on behalf of the Minister.

The Department of Housing, Planning and Local Government notes the additional and amended objectives included in the Proposed Material Alterations to the Draft Bray Municipal District Local Area Plan (LAP) 2018-2024 and welcomes the responses made to issues raised in the Departments previous submission on the Draft LAP on 15<sup>th</sup> September last.

The Department also however notes Proposed Material Alteration No. 1 which concerns the extension of the Kilmacanogue development area southwards to reach and incorporate the Kilmurray area.

This zoning extension would significantly expand the 'Tertiary Development Zone' southwards from Kilmacanogue paralleling the N11 and would permit additional housing and other development in an area not designated for new development under the County Development Plan (CDP) core strategy.

Kilmacanogue is designated as a *Level 6 Rural Town* in the core strategy of the Wicklow CDP 2016-2022 and includes a Specific Development Objective to consolidate and grow the settlement at site 'KM1' on the north western side for 25 new dwellings.

To the contrary, proposed Material Alteration No. 1 seeks to extend Kilmacanogue southwards

along a rural road to reach Kilmurray which is designated as a Level 9 - Rural Cluster in the

Wicklow CDP 2016-2022 and 'considered suitable for very limited new rural development, with

the main purpose of the designation being to direct rural generated housing into clusters rather

than the open countryside' (Chapter 3 of the CDP).

The Department is strongly of the view that Material Alteration No.1 is not justified with respect to

the zoning assessment criteria of the Development Plans Guidelines, 2007 in terms of housing

need, policy, infrastructure provision, sequential approach or protection of natural heritage.

Moreover, Material Alteration No.1 is also not consistent with the designation of Kilmacanogue as

Level 6 Rural Town or Kilmurray as a Level 9 Rural Cluster in the Core Strategy of the Wicklow

CDP 2016-2022.

Accordingly and to ensure the plan as adopted is compliant with statutory requirements in relation

to consistency of plans between the various tiers of the planning policy structure, your authority

must not adopt this alteration and should remove this proposed zoning objective from the Local

Area Plan.

Failure by your authority to ensure statutory requirements are observed may result in the

consideration, by the Minister, of the use of the powers available under Section 31 of the Act.

The officials of the Department are available to discuss the matters raised above and in the first

instance you are advised to contact Mr. Stewart Logan, Planning Adviser on 01-8882419.

Is mise le meas,

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Principal Advisor,

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rom:

David Clements [David.Clements@nationaltransport.ie]

ent: To: 09 March 2018 16:37 Planning - Plan Review

Subject:

NTA Submission - Bray MD LAP Material Amendments

Attachments:

NTA Submission - Bray Municipal District Local Area Plan Material Alterations.pdf

Dear Sir / Madam.

Please find attached the NTA's submission on the Material Amendments to the Bray Municipal District Local Area Plan. Can you please confirm receipt at your earliest convenience.

## Regards

David Clements
Land Use & Transport Planner
Transport Planning and Capital Investment

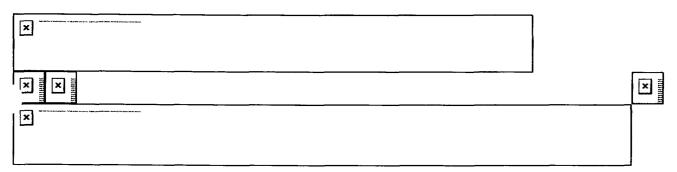


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**RE: Bray Municipal District Local Area Plan Material Alterations** 

Dear Sir/Madam,

The National Transport Authority (the "NTA") welcomes the opportunity to comment on the Material Alterations to the Draft Bray Municipal District Local Area Plan (LAP).

The NTA are satisfied that the recommendations made in our submission on the Draft Local Area Plan have been taken on board, insofar as they relate to public transport, walking and cycling, and regional and local roads. The NTA notes that the detailed recommendation related to the upgrading of the N/M11 has not been incorporated but is satisfied that the plan, as altered, can adequately reflect the findings of the Transport Infrastructure Ireland Corridor Study — Needs Assessment Report.

**Bray and Environs Local Transport Study** 

In our submission on the Draft Local Area Plan, it was stated that the on-going NTA study may have "additional implications for transport policy and objectives in the Municipal District which will need to be taken on board as part of the LAP process". The NTA welcomes the clear commitment from Wicklow County Council to update and amend the Local Area plan if necessary in order to provide a statutory planning basis for the study. As such, it is recommended that the text relating to the study within Section 2.2 of Material Alteration 30 (Appendix D) is included in the final plan.

I trust that the views of the Authority will be taken into account in the finalisation of the Bray Municipal District Local Area Plan.

Yours sincerely,

Michael MacAree

Head of Planning and Data Analysis

rom:

Environmental Co-ordination (Inbox) [Environmental Co-ordination@agriculture.gov.ie]

Sent: To: 07 March 2018 15:02 Planning - Plan Review

Subject:

Public Consultation on Proposed Alteration to Bray LAP

To whom it concerns,

I refer to your recent correspondence concerning the above and wish to state that at this time the Department of Agriculture, Food and the Marine has no submissions or observations in regards to same.

Yours sincerely,

Liz McDonnell

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**Sent:** 15 February 2018 11:55

To: McDonnell, Liz

Subject:

DRAFT BRAY MUNICIPAL DISTRICT LOCAL AREA PLAN 2018 – 2024 **PROPOSED ALTERATIONS - PUBLIC CONSULTATION** 

Dear Sir or Madam,

Pursuant to Section 20 of the Planning and Development Act 2000 (as amended), please log onto the following link to view the public notice and the <u>proposed material alterations</u> to the draft Bray Municipal District LAP 2018 and the LAP documents <a href="http://www.wicklow.ie/bray-municipal-district-local-area-plan-2018">http://www.wicklow.ie/bray-municipal-district-local-area-plan-2018</a>

SUBMISSIONS ARE INVITED on the proposed alterations and associated SEA, AA and FRA Addendums from 09 February 2018 to 09 March 2018 (5pm). Submissions may be made by either Writing to: BRAY LAP, Administrative Officer, Planning Section, Wicklow County Council, Station Road, Wicklow Town or Emailing to: planreview@wicklowcoco.ie

Yours sincerely

duine/na ndaoine chuig a bhfuil sí seolta agus sin amháin atá an teachtaireacht seo. D'fhéadfadh go bhfuil faisnéis faoi phribhléid nó faoi rún de réir bhrí an dlí is infheidhme inti. Má fuair tú an ríomhphost seo de harr earráide, téigh i dteagmháil leis an seoltóir chomh luath agus is féidir, le do thoil. Ní gá gurb ionann na dearcaí a léirítear sa ríomhphost seo agus dearcaí Comhairle Contae Chill Mhantáin. Tá aon iatáin

seiceáilte ag scanóir víris agus dealraíonn sé go bhfuil siad glan. Bí cinnte go ndéanfaidh tusa scanáil ar gach teachtaireacht chomh maith, le do thoil, mar ní ghlacann an Chomhairle dliteanas ar bith i leith éilliú ná dámáiste do do chuid córas.

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08 March 2018

FP2018/022

Wicklow County Council Planning Department Wicklow County Council Station Road Wicklow Town

# Proposed material alterations to the draft Bray Municipal District LAP 2018

A Chara,

I refer to the Council's notification in relation to the above-proposed material alterations.

Outlined below are the nature conservation observations of the Department of Culture, Heritage, and the Gaeltacht.

This Department previously commented on the Draft Plan, our reference FP2017/081, dated 29<sup>th</sup> August 2017. A number of concerns were addressed regarding possible negative impacts on the natural heritage and/or European sites from greenways, roads and residential development, in particular impacts from policies such as RO4, RO7, RO9, GI5, RN3. In addition the SEA did not include all the potential impacts that were listed in the NIR.

The current documents sent to this /Department consist of proposed material alterations to the draft LAP and it is not clear that the concerns of this Department have been adequately dealt with.

Where there have been amendments to deal with some of the above concerns the result appears to push the assessment to project level. For example material alterations no. 16 and 17, on page 28 point 10 and page 31 11<sup>th</sup> bullet point, propose a review of the existing hydrogeological assessments and carrying out a new hydrogeological assessment(s) to inform the development of appropriate SUDS system(s) at Fassaroe and Parknasilloge to protect Ballyman and Knocksink SACs. This Department would have expected that adequate assessments would have taken place before any decision to zone the area for development in order to remove any risk that it could not be developed due to impacts on groundwater.

Similarly, for proposed material alteration no. 15, with regard to possible impacts on Knocksink Wood SAC and Nature Reserve, the route selection and assessments have been pushed down to project level.

While this Department acknowledges that detailed assessments and route selection will have to be left to project level, it should also be possible to carry out assessments at Plan level. Such an assessment could flag options that are not viable. The absence of such assessments not only raises doubts as to the adequacy of the original NIR, but could also pose a risk to projects.

This Department recommends that Wicklow County Council should satisfy itself that it has adequately dealt with the concerns of this Department in its original submission.

Kindly forward any further information received; or in the event of a decision being made a copy of same should be forwarded to the following address as soon as it issues:

The Manager,
Development Applications Unit,
Department of Culture, Heritage, and the Gaeltacht,
Newtown Road,
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Preferably, documentation associated with the above can be referred electronically to the DAU at the following address: <a href="mailto:manager.dau@chg.gov.ie">manager.dau@chg.gov.ie</a>

In addition, please acknowledge receipt of these observations by return.

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Michael Murphy,

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rom:

David Galvin [d.galvin@epa.ie]

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23 February 2018 12:58 Planning - Plan Review

fo: Subject:

Re. Proposed Material Alterations to the Bray Municipal District Local Area Plan 2018-24

Attachments:

SCP161003.2 EPA Submission Bray MD LAP-Cover.pdf; SCP 161003 Prop. Mat. Alts to

Bray MD LAP 2018-24.pdf

Administrative Officer Planning Section County Buildings Wicklow County Council Station Road Wicklow Town

23<sup>rd</sup> February 2018

Our Ref: SCP161003



# e. Proposed Material Alterations to the Bray Municipal District Local Area Plan 2018-24

Dear Mr Sir/Madam,

The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) acknowledges your notice, dated 08/02/2018, regarding the above and notes its contents.

#### **SEA Determination**

We note your position with regard to the need for Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA) of the Proposed Material Alterations to the Bray Municipal District Local Area Plan (The Alterations).

# Specific Comments on the Proposed Material Alterations

We refer you to our previous submission on the Bray Municipal District Local Area Plan SEA/ER, dated 8<sup>th</sup> September 2017, which is attached and which should also be taken into account as relevant and appropriate to the Alterations.

We note that two of the Alterations (No's 1 & 18) have the potential for likely significant effects. We also note the ommitment that site specific environmental assessments will be carried out in respect of Proposed Alterations No's 1 and 18, as required, to ameliorate the potential for significant environmental effects.

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Any proposed amendments to land use zoning should be mindful to ensure consistency with the *Planning System and Flood Risk Management Guidelines for Planning Authorities* (DEHLG/OPW, 2009)

# **Future Modifications to the Proposed Alterations**

Where changes to the Alterations are made prior to finalisation, or where modifications to the Plan are proposed following its adoption, these should be screened for potential for likely significant effects in accordance with the criteria as set out in SEA Regulations Schedule 2A Criteria (S.I. No. 436 of 2004).

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Yours sincerely,

**David Galvin** 

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# Re. Draft Bray Municipal District Local Area Plan 2017 and Strategic Environmental Assessment Environmental Report

Dear Sir/Madam,

The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) acknowledges your notice, dated 1<sup>st</sup> August 2017, regarding the above. Please find attached the EPA's submission in relation to the Draft Bray Municipal District Local Area Plan (the Plan) and SEA Environmental Report (the SEA ER).

This submission is intended to promote full and transparent integration of environmental considerations in the Plan and the integration of the Plan-making and SEA processes.

# Specific Comments on the Plan

We note that the Plan includes many objectives for protecting environmental sensitivities within the Plan area. It is also evident that the issues identified in the SEA have been incorporated into the Plan, which is acknowledged.

#### Action Areas

There is merit in considering the preparation of environmental management plan(s) for these 'Action Plan' areas. These environmental management plans could coordinate the development of the action areas, and consider aspects such as traffic management, waste management, green infrastructure integration/protection/provision, surface water management/drainage, noise etc.

#### Flooding

We note that some additional zoned lands proposed for development, have been identified as being within flood risk zones A and B. The Plan should ensure that the development and land use associated with these lands is appropriate to any flood risk identified, taking into account the *Planning System and Flood Risk Management Guidelines* (DEHLG/OPW, 2009).

#### Infrastructure

We note the proposed road objectives described in *Table 8.1.5 Road Objectives* and associated *Map T01*. We also note the proposed additional development/ infrastructure projects relating to industrial and retail development, critical service infrastructure provision, industrial and commercial development etc. In considering the development of these projects, the Plan should ensure that the requirements of the EIA, Habitats, Floods and Water Framework Directives are taken into account, where relevant. This will ensure that environmentally sensitive areas which may be affected by any proposed development are protected, and appropriate mitigation measures put in place. The potential for cumulative effects should also be taken into consideration in implementing the Plan.



The potential impacts of climate change should also be considered and appropriate climate mitigation and adaptation measures should be incorporated into the Plan.

### Relationship with Key Plans/Programmes

The Plan should acknowledge that the National Mitigation Plan has been published, and that the Regional Spatial and Economic Strategies and National Planning Framework are currently being prepared, and will need to be integrated into the Plan, as appropriate, upon completion.

Additionally, the Draft River Basin Management Plan for Ireland (DHPCLG, 2017), once finalised and adopted, should also be integrated in the context of ensuring the protection and improvement of water quality status within the Plan area.

#### Green Infrastructure

We acknowledge the inclusion of specific biodiversity objectives in 9.2 Biodiversity. The Plan could also consider describing how the Conservation Area Appraisal and Green Infrastructure Audit carried out, have been integrated into the Plan and SEA.

# **Specific Comments on the SEA ER**

## Critical Service Infrastructure

We note that three drinking water supply facilities within the Plan area at Bray 1, Kilmacanogue and Enniskerry are identified as being on the EPA's Remedial Action List for Q1 2017. The development of the Plan area should be closely linked to the ability to service such development with adequate and appropriate critical service infrastructure, including drinking water.

# Historic Landfill Sites.

Several historic landfills have been identified within the Plan area at Fassoroe, which should be taken into account in implementing the Plan. These sites should be considered in the context of the SEA process. The Plan should include commitments requiring that the EPA Code of Practice: Environmental Risk Assessment for Unregulated Waste Disposal Sites (April 2007) be taken into consideration and any potential future proposals to re-zone/develop these lands or adjacent lands should be 'most appropriate to the potential sensitivities'. Where landfills meet the definition of a 'closed landfill' as defined in the Waste Management (certification of historic unlicensed waste disposal and recovery activity) Regulations 2008 (S.I. No 524 of 2008), there is merit in including a reference to the requirement for authorisation of the landfill by the Agency under those regulations.

## Mitigation

We note the mitigation measures described in  $Table\ 8.1$  –  $Mitigation\ Measures$ , to address the potential adverse effects identified in the SEA ER. We also acknowledge the relevant objectives of both the Wicklow County Development Plan and the Draft Bray MDLAP which provide for the necessary mitigation measures.

# Monitoring

In Section 8.2, the monitoring programme could include further information on the likely significant effect to be monitored and the frequency over which this monitoring will take place. Where it is intended to align the monitoring of this Plan with the monitoring programme for the Wicklow County Development Plan, the SEA ER should consider including this information also for clarity.

# **Future Amendments to the Draft Plan**

Where amendments to the Plan are proposed, these should be screened for likely significant effects in accordance with the criteria as set out in Schedule 2A of the SEA Regulations and should be subject to the same method of assessment applied in the "environmental assessment" of the Draft Plan.



# SEA Statement - "Information on the Decision"

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Proposed Material Alterations to the Draft Bray Municipal District Local Area Plan, 2018 -

Attachments:

Proposed Material Alterations to the Draft Bray Municipal District Local Area Plan 2018 -

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Dear Sir/Madam,

Please find attached a copy of the Authority's observations on the Proposed Material Alterations to the Draft Bray Municipal District Local Area Plan, 2018 - 2024

A hard copy has also issued by post.

Yours sincerely, Michael McCormack Senior Land Use Planner



**BRAY LAP Administrative Officer Planning Department Wicklow County Council** Station Road Wicklow

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7 March, 2018

TII18-100718

Proposed Material Alterations to the Draft Bray Municipal District Local Area Plan, 2018 - 2024 Re:

Dear Sir/Madam,

Transport Infrastructure Ireland (TII) welcomes referral of consultation relating to the Proposed Material Alterations to the Draft Bray Municipal District Local Area Plan, 2018 – 2024.

Til notes that no proposed material alterations are proposed to the Draft Local Area Plan arising from consideration of the Authority's initial submission to the Council of 13 September, 2017. Having reviewed the Chief Executives Report in that regard, TII wishes to advise that the observations made in our submission of 13 September, 2017, remain the position of the Authority.

In relation to other proposed amendments on display, TII outlines the following observations for the Councils consideration;

# **Proposed Material Alteration No. 1**

TII notes proposals to amalgamate the settlement boundaries for Kilmacanogue and Kilmurray including additional infill 'Tertiary Development Area' proposed in material alteration no. 1 and consequential mapping amendments.

In the initial submission on the Draft Plan, TII requested an amendment of Objective RO2, and associated mapping, including Kilmacanogue, to include the specific proposals outlined in Table 5.7 of the M11/N11 Corridor Study. It does not appear that the Council has included such proposals on the Local Area Plan mapping relevant to Kilmacanogue and it is requested, in the interests of clarity, that the mapping would be amended to include the roads/transport proposals included in the M11/N11 Corridor Study.

In relation to proposals to include additional 'Tertiary Development Area' at this location and to amalgamate the settlement boundaries for Kilmacanogue and Kilmurray, TII acknowledges that the lands concerned access the local road network. Notwithstanding this, existing access is facilitated to the N11, national primary road, via leftin, left-out arrangements. The Council will be aware that the M11/N11 is of strategic importance nationally and this is reflected in its inclusion within the EU TEN-T comprehensive network. Therefore, there is a requirement to confirm that the additional development planned in the area can be accommodated without compromising the safety and efficiency of the adjoining strategic national road network. The M11/N11 Corridor Study identifies that to bring this section of the N11 between Junction 8 and 14 up to the required standard existing direct accesses and left on/left off junctions should be closed or reconfigured.

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### **Proposed Material Alteration No. 2**

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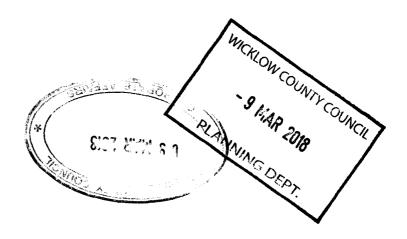
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Proposed Material Alterations to the Draft Bray Municipal District Local Area Plan, 2018 - 2024 Re:

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