

# Draft Wicklow Town – Rathnew LAP Submission - Report

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# **Topic**

Wicklow Town Centre Strategy

# **Submission**

Please can you revert to a two way set up through Wicklow town. It doesn't work as is and take away from the natural flow of the town.

### **Topic**

Community Development (inc. sports facilities & schools, etc)

#### Submission

We believe that there is a community sports centre badly needed for the area. Even with the current population there is a severe lack of shared facilities for the general public eg Outdoor/Indoor basketball, Squash, Running Tracks, Badminton etc etc.

Coupled with the above there is a severe lack of amenities for teenagers.

# **Topic**

**Tourism** 

#### **Submission**

The only hotel that is available for Tourism in the Wicklow Town area is now being used as an IPAS centre. There is no place to house visitors to the area and bring inward investment. Second to this we have a lovely Murrough area that could be used as a Green Way attracting further tourism.

#### **Topic**

Transport Assessment / Transportation Strategy Map

#### **Submission**

We are experiencing increased Grid Lock into and out of Wicklow Town. This appears to be a recent problem since the development at Tinakilly and Rathnew area. This is being discussed on various Social Media platforms so is a consistent theme within the community.

Also the N11 route into Dublin at peak times is having a detrimental effect on commuters mental health. Surely the continued development as set out in the plans will only compound this issue.

Wicklow Trains and the non routine nature of the service means more people have to commute using private vehicles.

# **Topic**Any other issues **Submission**

We have an additional major concern about the pedestrian crossing at Centra Rathnew across from St Coens/Gaelscoil school. This section of road is utilised heavily by kids and parents accessing the school amenities and is an accident waiting to happen. We acknowledge that some attempts have been made with electronic speed limits but this is wholly inadequate in dealing with this issue. There will be a very serious accident here soon if something significant is not done. We have contacted Wicklow council on this more than once. Third time lucky?

Finally there should be proper ramps added to residential areas (get the developers to install them)

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