



Draft Blessington Local Area Plan Submission - Report

Who are you:	State Body
Name:	Lacken National School
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Topic

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

Submission

To Whom It May Concern:

We are asking Wicklow County Council to provide sufficient lands to accommodate a Community Athletics campus, including a 400m running track, track and field facilities, community centre and adequate parking in the Blessington local area plan 2025.

We endorse the vision for an Athletics Campus that can serve our community in West Wicklow including Community Games, Schools, Special Olympics and other sporting groups.

As a school we recognise the value and importance of physical activity for our young people. In children and adolescents, physical activity promotes bone health, encourages healthy growth and development of muscle and improves motor and cognitive development.

In summary, physical activity can provide both immediate and long-term health benefits, physically, mentally and socially. It can also foster independence and help with learning.

Wellbeing of our children is of paramount importance to all who are in our school community.

Physical activity can help children build and maintain a sense of belonging, relatedness and aligns with our ethos in school of community and inclusion.

Yours faithfully,

Board Of Management - Lacken National School.

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