Comhairle Contae Ros Comáin
Roscommon County Council

Roscommon County
Development Plan
2021-2027

ROSCOMMON COUNTY DEVELOPMENT PLAN 2021 – 2027

Planning and Development Acts 2000 (as amended) &

Planning and Development Regulations 2001 (as amended) &

Planning and Development (Strategic Environmental Assessment) Regulations 2004

Pre-Draft Public Consultation Phase

Notice is hereby given pursuant to Section 11(1) of the Planning and Development Act 2000 (as amended) that Roscommon County Council intends to commence its review of the existing **Roscommon County Development Plan 2014 – 2020** and to prepare a new County Development Plan for the period 2021 – 2027.

The preparation of a new development plan shall be strategic in nature for the purposes of developing objectives and policies to deliver an overall strategy for the proper planning and sustainable development of the area of the development plan and the core strategy.

Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA)

A Strategic Environmental Assessment will be carried out as part of the review process and the Planning Authority will prepare an environmental report of the likely significant effects on the environment of implementing the new plan, in accordance with the SEA Directive (2001/42/EC) and pursuant to the Strategic Environment Assessment Regulations 2004 as amended.

Appropriate Assessment (AA)

Pursuant to Article 6(3) of the Habitats Directive 92/43/EEC and Section 177 of the Planning and Development Act 2000 as amended, an Appropriate Assessment of the of the likely impacts on the Natura 2000 Network of implementing the new plan will be undertaken.

Issues Paper

In order to stimulate debate and encourage participation in this process an **Issues Paper** has been prepared and is available for inspection at the following locations, during normal opening hours, from **27th March 2020 to 5th June 2020** (both dates inclusive):

- Planning Department, Roscommon County Council, Áras an Chontae, Roscommon
- Roscommon County Council Municipal District Offices in Boyle and Athlone
- Roscommon County Council Area Offices in Castlerea, Ballaghaderreen and Strokestown

It may also be viewed on the dedicated Roscommon County Development Plan website: www.rosdevplan.ie

Given the current Covid 19 restrictions, it will not be possible to schedule public consultation events at this time. In the event of the lifting of restrictions prior to the end of the statutory consultation period, efforts will be made to arrange events. Such events will be publicised in the local press.

How to get involved

Roscommon County Council hereby invites any interested parties to **make submissions or observations** regarding objectives and policies to deliver an overall strategy for the proper planning and sustainable development of the area of the development plan, in writing / electronically, to the Planning Authority between the **27th March 2020 and 5th June 2020** (both dates inclusive).

Children or groups or associations representing the interests of children are entitled to make submissions or observations regarding objectives and policies to deliver an overall strategy for the proper planning and sustainable development of the area of the development plan.

The Planning Authority intends to review the zoning of the area of the development plan for the purposes of developing objectives and policies to deliver an overall strategy for the proper planning and sustainable development of the area of the development plan and the core strategy.

Requests or proposals for the zoning of particular land for any purpose shall not be considered at this stage. (Any such submissions will be returned)

Submissions or observations may be made either in writing or via the website.

Submissions or observations in electronic format can be made on the website at www.rosdevplan.ie

Or in writing to:

Planning Department, Roscommon County Council, Áras an Chontae, Roscommon, F42 VR98.

The deadline for receipt of all submissions is 4.30pm on the 5th June 2020.

Please make your submission by one medium only i.e. in hard copy or via the website.

Data Protection

In accordance with Section 11(3A) of the Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended, written observations or submissions received by Roscommon County Council shall be published on the Council's website within 10 working days of their receipt.

All submissions should include your name and a contact address, and where relevant, details of any organisation, community group or company etc., which you represent. To assist Roscommon County Council in complying with data protection legislation, you are asked to provide this information on a separate sheet. This processing of your personal data is lawful under Article 6 (1)(e) of the GDPR regulations.

The Council's Data Protection Policy, is available at

http://www.roscommoncoco.ie/en/Freedom_of_Information/Data%20Protection/Data-Protection-Policies-Procedures-Corporate-Data-Protection-Policy.pdf The policy is also available in hard copy upon request.

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