

Appendix L

Statement outlining compliance with Ministerial Guidelines

Section 28 of the Planning and Development Act 2000 (as amended) requires a Planning Authority to append a statement to a Development Plan which includes information which demonstrates how the Planning Authority has implemented the policies and objectives of the Minister contained in Section 28 Guidelines when preparing the Plan. Where the Planning Authority has decided not to implement certain policies or objectives of the Minister contained in the Guidelines, the statement must give the reasons why.

The following statement has been prepared which details how the Council has implemented Section 28 Minister Guidelines in the Plan (Listed alphabetically):

1. [Architectural Heritage Protection-Guidelines for Planning Authorities \(2009\)](#)

These Guidelines are referenced in Chapter 9, Volume 1 and Chapter 4, Volume 2. The guidelines have informed the objectives relating to protection of the county's architectural and archaeological heritage.

2. [Architectural Heritage Protection for Places of Public Worship - Guidelines for Planning Authorities \(2003\)](#)

These guidelines have informed the objectives relating to the protection of the county's places of worship and the Record of Protected Structures.

3. [Childcare Facilities Guidelines \(2001\)](#)

Volume 1, Chapter 6 and Volume 2, Chapter 6 includes policies in relation to the most appropriate locations for childcare facilities and development management standards for new facilities based on the provisions of the Guidelines.

4. [Design Manual for Urban Roads and Streets \(2013\)](#)

These Guidelines are referred to in Volume 1, Chapter 12, and Volume 2, Chapter 5, and guides good Urban Design.

5. [Development Plan, Planning Guidelines for Planning Authorities \(2007\)](#)

The Planning Authority had regard to these Guidelines in preparing the Development Plan.

6. [Development Management; Guidelines for Planning Authorities \(2007\)](#)

The Plan contains numerous Development Management Standards and requirements both in the relevant sections and in Chapter 13 of the Development Plan. While these Guidelines refer predominantly to the process of development management, they have been instrumental in formulating concise and clear policies and objectives in the plan to assist the development management process.

7. [Implementation of SEA Directive \(2001/42/EC\): Assessment of the Effects of Certain Plans and Projects on the Environment; Guidelines for Regional Authorities and Planning Authorities \(2004\)](#)

These guidelines informed the preparation of the Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA) of the Development Plan.

8. [Landscape and Landscape Assessment \(Draft\) –Guidelines for Planning Authorities, 2000](#)

These guidelines were incorporated in Volume 1, Chapter 9: Heritage, Section 9.2.12.1 Landscape Character Assessment.

9. [Provision of Schools and the Planning System; A Code of Practice for Planning Authorities \(2008\)](#)

Regard was had to these guidelines in Volume 1, Chapter 6 the formulation of the policies and objectives, including the zoning objectives of the Plan.

10. [Quarries and Ancillary Activities-Guidelines for Planning Authorities, 2004](#)

The Plan, in Volume 1, Chapter 7: Extractive Industries has had regard to the Guidelines.

11. [Retail Planning Guidelines for Planning Authorities](#) and [Retail Design Manual; A Good Practice Guide \(2012\)](#)

Volume 1, Chapters 4 and 5, and Volume 2, Chapter 3 refers to and sets out the Council's retail strategy with a number of policies and objectives that have been informed by the Guidelines.

12. [Spatial Planning and National Roads \(2012\)](#)

Volume 1, Chapter 12: Movement and Mobility has had regard to these Guidelines.

13. [Sustainable Urban Housing: Design Standards for New Apartments Guidelines for Planning Authorities \(2018\)](#)

Volume 1, Chapter 13 of sets out requirements for new apartments. This section was prepared having reference to these Guidelines.

14. [Sustainable Residential Development in Urban Areas; Guidelines for Planning Authorities \(2009\)](#) and [Best Practice Urban Design Manual, Part I & II \(2009\)](#) (Companion document to the Guidelines)

These Guidelines are referenced in numerous chapters throughout the plan; Volume 1, Chapters 4, 6, 11 and 13 and Volume 2, Chapter 6. These chapters have been prepared having specific reference to the Guidelines and detail specific policies and objectives in relation to high quality sustainable development in urban areas.

15. [Sustainable Rural Housing; Guidelines for Planning Authorities \(2005\)](#)

Volume 1, Chapter 7, relates to rural housing. The Development plan sets out a number of objectives that were informed by the Guidelines as amended by the National Planning Framework NPO 19.

16. [The Planning System and Flood Risk Management; Guidelines for Planning Authorities \(2009\)](#)

Volume 1, Chapter 10 refers extensively to the guidelines and flooding, Infrastructure and Environment. The Planning Guidelines introduce the principle of a risk-based sequential approach to managing flood risk. A Strategic Flood Risk Assessment was completed and informed the Development plan preparation.

17. [Telecommunications Antennae and Support Structures \(1996\)](#) and [Circular PL 07 12](#)

Volume 1, Chapter 10 sets out the Council's policies on Telecommunications. This section incorporates the relevant guidance.

18. [Wind Energy Development Guidelines for Planning Authorities \(2006\)](#) as amended in [Interim Guidelines for Planning Authorities on Statutory Plans, Renewable Energy and Climate Change \(2017\)](#)

These guidelines have informed the preparation of the relevant policies and objectives of the Wind Energy Strategy, contained in Volume 1, Chapter 11 and the Wind Energy Strategy.