



14th February 2019

Denis Malone,  
Senior Planner,  
Planning Department,  
County Hall,  
John Street,  
Kilkenny.

**Re: Proposed Material Alterations to Draft Thomastown Local Area Plan 2019 – 2025**

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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 proposed material alterations for Thomastown Local Area Plan 2019 – 2025 mainly concern themselves with additional text in relation to Appropriate assessment, economic development, community and housing, recreation, heritage, Irish Water objectives and flood risk.

The Department notes and supports the Draft Thomastown LAP 2019 – 2025 and proposed amendments.



The officials of the Department are available to discuss any matters and in the first instance, you are advised to contact M/S. Laura Courtney, Planning Adviser on 01-8882203.

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A handwritten signature in black ink, which appears to read "Niall Cussen".

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Niall Cussen

Chief Planner

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