

Kilkenny County Council

Draft Kilkenny City and County Development Plan

Invitation to attend FREE online Public Consultation Events on the Draft Kilkenny City and County Development Plan 2021-2027

Kilkenny County Council would like to invite you to participate in our online public participation events on the recently published draft Kilkenny City and County Development Plan. Due to the current public health restrictions in place as a result of Covid-19, new ways of communicating fully with the public and interested parties are required at this draft plan stage.

To this end FREE ONLINE EVENTS are scheduled for the following dates:

Monday 25th of January at 19.00 - Eventbrite Key- "Core"

Overall Core Strategy and Housing

Monday 1st of February at 19.00-Eventbrite Key-"Economy"

• Economic Development inclusive of retail strategy and tourism

Natural and Built Heritage, Placemaking and all other issues

Thursday 4th of February at 19.00-Eventbrite Key-"Climate"

Climate Change, Renewable Energy and Transport

Monday 8th of February at 19.00-Eventbrite Key -"Heritage"

Interested parties can register for one or more of the above events on **Eventbrite.ie**, search "Draft Kilkenny City and County Development Plan + "key", register for the event and a link to the event will be sent to you by return.

There will be three key components to each event:

- A short introduction
- A presentation on the topics for discussion as covered in the Draft Plan
- An opportunity to clarify matters related to the topics.

As per our statutory notice, you are reminded that the Draft City and County Development Plan, the Strategic Environmental Assessment Report, the Appropriate Assessment Report and the Strategic Flood Risk Assessment, are currently on **PUBLIC DISPLAY** and have been available for public inspection since the **22nd of December 2020** and will be available until the **12th of March 2021** (both dates inclusive) at the following locations:

- http://consult.kilkenny.ie
- Planning Office, Kilkenny County Council, County Hall, John Street, Kilkenny (by appointment only during normal opening hours as per Covid-19 Guidelines)
- by appointment at the City Library, Johns Quay, Kilkenny and all the branch Libraries in the County during their normal opening hours and subject to Covid -19 restrictions in place at the time.

Observations or submissions regarding the Draft Development Plan and/or Environmental Report and/or Appropriate Assessment are invited from members of the public and other interested parties. You can make an observation or submission utilising one of the following options;

- Online by registering at https://Consult.Kilkenny.ie/ where you can then make a submission on the draft chapters, topics and map sheets. You can also submit drawings of any areas relating to your submission on an interactive development plan map, or
- Online at <u>https://ourplan.kilkenny.ie</u> by following the link on the site, or
- Via email to <u>ourplan@kilkennycoco.ie</u>; or
- In Writing marked "Draft City and County Development Plan "to the Planning Department, Kilkenny County Council, County Hall, John Street, Kilkenny, Co. Kilkenny R95 A39T. Observations or submissions must include the full name and address of the person(s) making the submission and where relevant, the body or organisation represented.

Only written submissions or observations with respect to the draft Plan made to the planning authority within the stated period will be taken into consideration before the making of the Plan. All submissions and observations must be received before **5pm** on **12 March 2021. Late submissions will not be accepted.**

We look forward to meeting you online.

Sean McKeown, Director of Services, Planning Department Kilkenny County Council