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**Re: PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT ACT 2000 (AS AMENDED)
PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS 2001 (AS
AMENDED)
PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT (STRATEGIC ENVIRONMENT
ASSESSMENT) REGULATIONS 2004-2011
NOTICE OF PROPOSED MATERIAL ALTERATIONS TO THE DRAFT
MEATH COUNTY DEVELOPMENT PLAN 2021-2027**

Dear Sir/Madam,

We have been requested by our clients Elizabeth and Tom Jennings of [REDACTED],
[REDACTED] to prepare the following submission in respect the proposed
material alterations to the Meath Draft County Development Plan 2021-2027.

For the purposes of this submission, we have inspected the site, consulted with
our clients, reviewed the proposed amendments to the Draft Development Plan
and assessed this proposal in the context of the proper planning and development
of the area.

Site Description/Location

The subject site is located to the western side of Kilcloon with two dwellings to the
north and is surrounded by agricultural land. One of the two dwellings is owned
by Mr. and Mrs. Jennings and the other is owned by [REDACTED] Part of the site is
located in the settlement boundary of Kilcloon a designated Rural Node in the
Meath Draft County Development Plan 2021-2027.

The subject site is located 85 metres from Scoil Oliver Naofa Kilcloon and 567
metres from Saint Oliver Plunkett's Church Kilcloon. To the south of the site is
agricultural land. The site is within the 50kph speed limit and is serviceable by
water and sewerage.

The purpose of submission

The purpose of this submission is to request that the boundary of the rural node of Kilcloon be extended to include the subject lands.

Mr and Mrs Jennings are long term residents of Kilcloon and their [REDACTED] have built their homes and are working in the local area. The family is heavily involved in the local community activities such as church, school and the Blackhall Gaels GAA and the Community Centre project.

They have five grandchildren and it is their wish that their grandchildren be able to continue to live in the area where they grew up.

The extension of the development envelope of the Kilcloon Rural Node would facilitate the development of a cluster of five houses for their five grandchildren in the future.

We refer to the following Proposed Material Amendment to the County Development Plan which states as follows:

“Proposed Material Amendment

Retain the existing Rural Development Chapter of the 2013-2019 County Development Plan but include the Rural Nodes proposed as per Section 9.5.4 of the Draft Meath County Plan 2021-2027. Refer to the Supplementary Material Amendments for the proposed Rural Chapter.

The Node map for Yellow Furze did not go on public display as part of the draft Plan and will now be placed on public display as a material amendment

Maps to be included in Volume 3 Book of Maps associated with the existing County Development Plan Chapter 10 Rural Development are as follows:

- *Rural Area Types Development Pressure 10.1*
- *Tree Preservation Order's (TPO) 10.2*
- *GSI Aggregates Potential Map 10.3*
- *GSI Granular Aggregates Potential Map 10.4*
- *Gaeltacht Areas Rathcairn & Gibbstown 10.5*
- *Management of Future Access to Strategic Corridors 10.6*

Maps to be removed (superseded) consequent to the members decision to retain the existing Chapter 10 (with exception of the Graig Policy) are as follows:

Maps

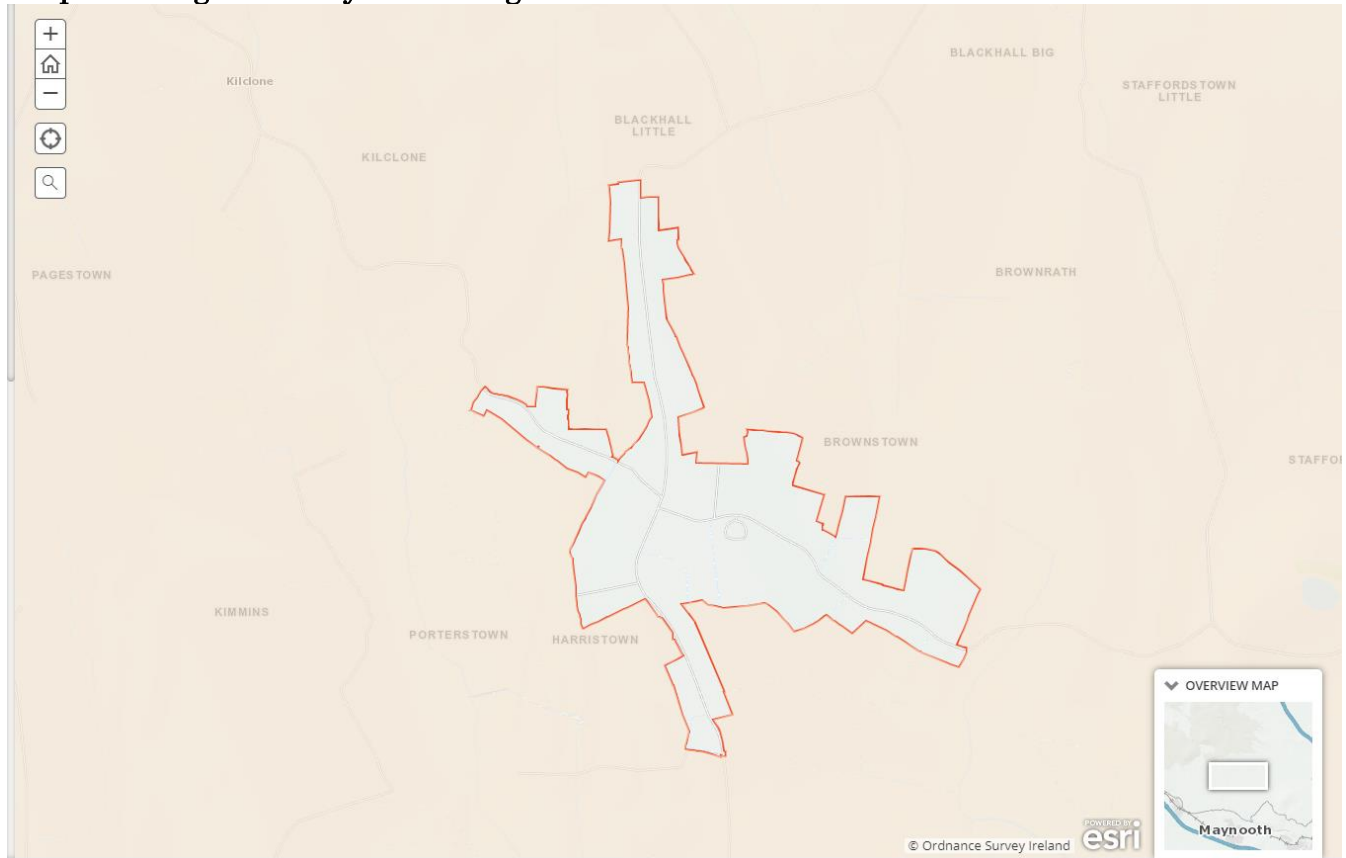
- *Map no. 9.1 Rural Area Types Development Pressure*
- *Map 9.2 Management of Future Access to Strategic Corridors*
- *Map 9.3 Tree Preservation Orders*
- *Map 9.4 Gaeltacht Areas”*

Having regard to the provisions of this proposed amendment to the plan we request that the Rural Node of Kilcloon be extended to include our clients' land as shown in blue on the map below.



An examination of the overall map of the rural node of Kilcoon will show that the provision has been made for indepth development within the node both in the central area and at the edges of the node. The inclusion of the subject lands would accord with the pattern of development being proposed as part of this rural node and would also facilitate the Jennings family to continue to live in this rural area where they have lived for many years.

Map showing boundary of existing rural node of Kilcloon



Conclusion

Having regard to the foregoing and to the following.

- The location of the site part of which is in the rural node of Kilcloon.
- The proximity of the land to the school and church.
- The strong intrinsic links of the land owners to this rural area.
- Their desire to and wish for their grandchildren to continue to live in this rural area.
- The survivable nature of the land with water and sewerage.

The inclusion of the subject lands within the rural node of Kilcloon would accord with the proper planning and development of the area and we request that the boundary be extended to incorporate our clients' lands.

Yours sincerely,

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