

4th November 2019

Senior Executive Officer,
Forward Planning Section,
Land Use Planning and Transportation Department,
South Dublin County Council,
County Hall,
Tallaght,
Dublin 24.

Re: Proposed Variation 5 to the South Dublin County Development Plan 2016-2022

A Chara,

Thank you for your authority's work in developing an Outdoor Advertising Strategy for South Dublin County. The Office of the Planning Regulator (OPR) has evaluated and assessed the proposed variation to the development plan, above, under the provisions of Section 31AM(1) and (2) of the Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended (the Act).

As your authority will be aware, one of the key functions of the OPR includes assessment of statutory plans and strategies to ensure consistency with legislative and policy requirements relating to planning.

The Office is currently developing an overall evaluation and assessment methodology for statutory plans. The submission below has been prepared to provide a high-level input to your authority in finalising the proposed variation of the plan.

The Office has undertaken and evaluation and assessment of the proposed variation. It welcomes your authority's development of an outdoor advertising strategy to form part of the development plan.

The Office has no other comment to make.

Your authority is required to notify this Office within 5 working days of the making of the local area plan and send a copy of the written statement and maps as made.

Please feel free to contact the staff of the OPR in the context of your authority's responses to the above, which we would be happy to facilitate. Contact can be initiated through the undersigned or at plans@opr.ie.

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