

30th May 2024

Senior Executive Officer,
Planning Department,
Meath County Council,
Buvinda House,
Dublin Road,
Navan,
Co. Meath,
C15 Y291

Re: Proposed Draft Variation No. 4 to the Meath County Development Plan 2021-2027

A chara,

Thank you for your authority's work in preparing the proposed Variation No. 4 (the proposed Variation) to the Meath County Development Plan 2021-2027 (the County Development Plan).

As Meath County Council (the Planning Authority) is aware, a key function of the Office of the Planning Regulator (the Office) is the assessment of statutory plans to ensure consistency with legislative and policy requirements relating to planning. The Office has evaluated and assessed the proposed Variation under the provisions of sections 31AM(1) and (2) of the Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended (the Act) and welcomes the replacement of the Maynooth Environs written statement in Volume 2 of the County Development Plan with the written statement from the recently adopted Maynooth Joint Local Area Plan 2025-2031.

The Office's evaluation and assessment of the proposed Variation concludes that no recommendations or observations are warranted.

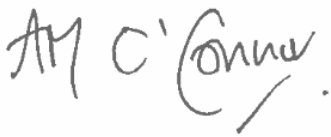
For the purposes of clarity, the Office notes that it is proposed to retain the existing Maynooth Environs Land Use Zoning Map in Volume 2 of the County Development Plan. However, this zoning map includes a specific objective reference, CDP Spot Objective OBJ

3, which is now deleted as part of this proposed Variation. To ensure consistency and clarity between the written statement and the zoning map, it is requested that that this spot objective is also deleted from the existing Maynooth Environs Land Use Zoning Map in Volume 2 of the County Development Plan.

Please note that at the end of the process, your authority is required to notify this Office within **five working days** of the decision of the planning authority in relation to the proposed Variation.

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

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