

I welcome the Draft Local Area Plan for Leixlip and look forward to working with the residents and Kildare Co Council and fellow Councillors in delivering a Local Area Plan for Leixlip that will deliver housing, retail and social infrastructure that will ensure Leixlip is a place for all our residents to live, work and socialise in.

### **Housing for Older People**

The proposed infill for Housing for Older People at the old ESB site is welcomed and will meet the needs of older people and people with disabilities.

### **Amenity Land for Sports**

MU Barnhall Rugby Football Club no longer have the use of lands adjacent to their Club. The Amenity Lands at Wonderful Barn would provide suitable sports fields. I request that the LAP have an Objective to provide communal sports fields for the utilisation of sports clubs in the area to include adequate sports fields for MU Barnhall Rugby Football Club.

### **Ralph Square**

Upgrades to Ralph Square are welcomed as this has been requested many times over the past years.

### **Collinstown**

The lands at Collinstown are strategically located and have the potential to facilitate business, retail, recreational and some small amount of suitable residential units – a mixed character area.

There is a conflict in the description that identifies these lands throughout the document. It is called Business in parts of document and Business and Technology in other parts of document.

### **Social Infrastructure**

The Social Infrastructure audit was carried out, the Public Realm and Health Check need to be carried out and all of these to be connected in the delivery of this Local Area Plan. There is no Swimming Pool site ringfenced for Leixlip. The Leixlip LAP must have an Objective to work to deliver a Swimming Pool for Leixlip.

### **Primary Care Centre**

A suitable site for a Primary Care Centre must be designated. The Primary Care Centre must be one that provides diagnostic and treatment for injuries / conditions, physiotherapy, chiropody etc. A Primary Care Centre can't be one that only has a GP and Dental services within it.

### **Walking and Cycling / Permeability**

All proposed permeability to existing housing estates must go to public consultation. Kildare Co Council Planning SPC Guidelines for Permeability must be agreed and then adhered to.

### **Bus Connects**

The NTA will need to deliver improved bus services to Leixlip in advance of Bus Connects as this Project isn't nearing completion yet.

### **KDA- Celbridge Road East**

This KDA was removed in the previous Draft Leixlip LAP and should be totally removed from this Draft Leixlip Area Plan.

### **Confey**

To retain the Confey GAA clubhouse and grounds in their current location and to make extra provision for additional paying pitches.

To remove the indicative pedestrian/cycling bridges to Riverforest and Glendale Meadows from the new development areas.

A detailed design and a sufficient bond for provision of the upgrade/replacement of Cope Bridge must be in place prior to any development in the Confey Urban Design Framework.

### **Riverforest**

Traffic improvement measures to be put in place at the entrance to Riverforest and at Glendale prior to any development in the Confey Urban Design Framework.