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This is in reference to the Black Avenue KDA. The road line that Fingal County Council proposed through St. Catherine's Park to link with the N4 would pass directly through this development. As it is my understanding that this road line is to be retained even if it does not go ahead now, it is ridiculous that this development proposal has even been made. The bridge would run directly over a large part of this area. Also what if a north - south Luas route is proposed for the Dublin region? There are extremely few if any proper gaps left for services or infrastructure of this kind to cross the Liffey Valley, gaps like this are highly, highly, important, and I think it would be completely irresponsible to block this one with development. It would be far better to be kept for sports development of some kind such as a tennis centre, and for general recreational use.

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This is in reference to the Black Avenue KDA. I think this area would be much better retained for recreational use, and this I believe is in the context of the wider Dublin Region. I can foresee a large sports complex here, perhaps a large centre for tennis for example, associated with the nearby buildings in St. Catherine's Park where a cafe and other facilities could be located. This next bit is not funny, but this site is actually directly on the line of the road that Fingal is proposing to link with the N4, and if that proposal ever went ahead, the bridge would actually be directly over a large part of the development. This one point alone is enough to call a halt to this development. That line needs to be preserved just in case, and not only for roads. What if some kind of north - south Luas route for the Dublin region is proposed? There are extremely few if any gaps left across the Liffey Valley for this kind of development.

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This is in reference to Confey UDF. None of the roads in this area are suitable for this kind of development. The major route for access to local services and the village of Leixlip is the R149 down Captain's Hill, and yet instead of being preserved for this use, it appears to be planned for shops and commercial activity with extra junctions drawing associated activity including pedestrian and vehicle movements, thus constricting the usefulness of this route to serve both the existing and new communities. There is no sense in doing this to this major route, never mind the fancy name being given to it of some kind of a 'hub'. It is also one of only six North - South routes in the Dublin Region between the Phoenix Park and Maynooth, five of which including this one, were originally only used by horses and carts. As regards transport this whole UDF plan seems just to be designed to provide opportunity for development, with extremely little or no thought given to wider issues and real needs of the community and wider region. For example does 'improved roads' mean room for a twin buggy on the footpath on either side? I have extreme doubts as to whether it means anything like this. This would also only be the start of development in this area, so a new road line running parallel to the present R149 towards Lucan is badly needed, and there is absolutely no mention of this in the plan. This UDF is very highly deficient, Also the amount of space for park and ride on the train seems miniscule, compared to what is probably needed. The whole thing is way out of place and needs to be re-thought.