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My submission....

Some history...I moved to Leixlip in the early 1970's when it entered a period of rapid growth in terms of house building....unfortunately the supporting infrastructure eg. schools, shops, roads, sporting facilities, waste water treatment plants etc. were not provided at the same time and the village struggled to get these over the years...some would say that they are still not adequate...I now see in this latest plan that history is about to be repeated, SAME MISTAKES PLUS SOME MORE.....

Hereunder are my objections, 1 Proposed housing in the Guinness land, ,No change to land or infrastructure since previous plan which had unanimous support for the rezoning to be removed.

2..Housing density has been increased from 30 units to 35 units per hectare without any explanation.

3..Existing mature treeline bordering Leixlip Park, Wogansfield and Highfield Park to be removed as per Build Vision diagram in LAP, this is against Country Development plan objectives to maintain natural habitats.

4..Planning statement that height of land be reduced is vague, specific details need to be supplied i.e land to be reduced to level of boundry wall base.

5..Pedestrian paths through Leixlip Park and Wogans Field were removed previous LAPS. as they were objected to on health and safety grounds.( influx of foot and cycle traffic)

6..Proposed road through HP site is still at idea stage. no guarantee that it will be progressed...

7..No flood risk assessment to be made to rezoning.

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8..The R404 link to R128 ( T junction at Irish school)improvements have not been investigated,surveyed or even scheduled to be inspected 2 years after initial LAP despite the Strategic Transport Assessment document calling out that there are already serious traffic issues in turning right at this junction.

9..25%of the new houses to be built in Leixlip will be on the Celbridge Road and as such are outside the 1 km catchment area for use of the train station and so are heavily reliant on bus services.New bus will go through Celbridge first so capacity will be limited when it reaches us.No plans or data in LAP to address future public transport needs at peak times.

10..No provision for homes or retirement facilities for the senior residents in LAP in spite of 25% of population being over 55 years.

11..Of the 5 pedestrian routes being proposed for the Guinness development, 2 have Health and safety issues (Leixlip Park, Wogans field) 1 is through the Aldi car park...issues of sheer height differences..and 1 is through the grounds of Leixlip Castle .. (unlikely to gain permission on grounds of security and privacy issues.)

12..LAP is treating Leixlip issues in isolation, does not reference that Leixlip shares road network, public transport, ,waste water/fresh water, power and community infrastructures with nearby towns of Lucan.Celbridge and Maynooth all of which are set to grow from 30% to 60% in size over next 6 years.Plan is focused on too many small issues rather than addressing the larger issues of roads community facilities etc..

13..Plan would appear to be driven by KCC to comply with Govt plan to hit 3000 plus houses in Leixlip and is ignoring the downside of this as happened previously in the 70's...insufficient road structures,schools, waste water plants etc etc

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