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Submission regarding Draft Leixlip Local Area Plan 2020-2026

My concerns and observations regarding the above are as follows:

#### Traffic Congestion

Access to the Confey Area, at the Confey GAA, Confey Graveyard area is only by 2 ways, the railway bridge, Cope bridge at Confey or Kellystown lane. Both of these access points are already under severe pressure from the existing volume of traffic on "normal days". If there is an accident in the area (especially the N4 or M50) the entire area can come to a complete standstill for hours on end bringing the area to a complete standstill.

Any development of the area would have to address these two bottle neck points before any building could be started. Trucks could not access the area presently as there are weight restrictions on the railway bridge at Confey. A new bridge would have to be built before any construction bridge could access the area.

Regardless of any alterations to Cope bridge, traffic would still be funnelled down the Captain hill where there is very little scope for widening, at peak traffic times presently, there are queues back up to the Church on the Captains Hill.

#### Widening of Road L1015

As I live on the above road, I am concerned about the effect that widening the existing road will have on my front garden, I will lose a significant amount of my front garden, thus increasing the volume of traffic and noise from traffic and reducing the value of my property. A new or widened road would also result in the demolition of several of my neighbouring houses which would affect the community spirit in the area.

