

Draft Leixlip Local Area Plan,  
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**Re: Material Alterations to Draft Leixlip Local Area Plan 2020-2026**

Dear Sir/Madam,

The National Transport Authority (the “NTA”) has reviewed the proposed Material Alterations to the ‘Draft Leixlip Local Area Plan 2020-2026’ and has the following comments to make.

The NTA acknowledges the proposed Material Alterations to the Draft Leixlip Local Area Plan which includes several additional and amended objectives as recommended. The Authority wishes to make the following further comments.

Notwithstanding the potential routes identified in the *enhancing Motorway Operation Services: M50 Resilience between M50 J6 and J7 Scoping Study* by TII, it is considered that Objective GI1.9 is overly prescriptive pending a decision on a potential route. It is recommended that a new objective is included as follows:

***‘MT3.14 To support, in conjunction with TII and the NTA, the need to build resilience for the M50 and to facilitate the development of preferred alignments so as to ensure optimum transport arrangements and resilience of routes. Any road development should adhere to the principles of Road Development as set out in Section 5.8.3 of the Transport Strategy’***

I trust that the views of the NTA will be taken into consideration by Kildare County Council in the finalisation of the Leixlip Local Area Plan 2020-2026.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Michael MacAree', written over a horizontal line.

**Michael MacAree**  
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