**Report of the Chief Executive, Kildare County Council**

Submissions received following the public display of Proposed Amendment No. 1 to the Newbridge Local Area Plan 2013-2019



**Kildare County Council**

**Planning, Community & Culture Department**

25th August 2015

**1.0 Introduction**

This report forms part of the statutory procedure for the consideration of the Proposed Amendment No. 1 to the Newbridge Local Area Plan 2013-2019. Under Part II Section 20 (3)(c)(i) of the Planning and Development Act 2000-2014, the Chief Executive of the Planning Authority shall prepare a report on any submissions or observations received pursuant to a notice of public display.

This report shall contain;

* A list of the persons who made submissions or observations;
* A summary of the issues raised by the persons in the submissions or observations; and
* The opinion of the Chief Executive in relation to the issues raised, and his/her recommendation in relation to the proposed Local Area Plan, taking account of the proper planning and sustainable development of the area, the statutory obligations of any local authority in the area and any relevant policies or objectives for the time being of the Government or of any Minister of the Government.

## **2.0 Process to date**

The Newbridge Local Area Plan 2013-2019 was adopted at the Full Council meeting of 23rd December 2013. The proposal constitutes four minor amendments to the Local Area Plan zoning map as placed on public display from June 2nd to July 17th 2015. The proposed amendment was available for inspection in the public library in Newbridge, at the Council offices in Naas and online on the Council’s website [www.kildare.ie](http://www.kildare.ie).

In summary these were as follows:

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| **Site** | **Location** | **Area (ha.)** | **Proposed Zoning Amendment** |
| **1A** | **Crotanstown Grange.** | 0.98 | Zone site from F Open Space and Amenity to B Existing Residential/Infill |
| **1B** | **Southern Relief Road, Moorefield.** | 0.26 | Zone site from F Open Space and Amenity to B Existing Residential/Infill |
| **1C** | **Standhouse Road.** | 0.05 | Zone site from F Open Space and Amenity to B Existing Residential/Infill |
| **1D** | **Watercress Manor, Morristownbillar.** | 1.18 | Zone site from F Open Space and Amenity to B Existing Residential/Infill |

## **3.0 Submissions/ Observations**

The Planning Authority received **one submission** from the Dept. of Environment, Community and Local Government during the public display period.

The submission stated that the Department is of the opinion that the proposed amendment is consistent with national, regional and local policy and with the Core Strategy of the Kildare County Development Plan 2011-2017.

**Chief Executive’s Response:**

Noted.

**Chief Executive’s Recommendation:**

No change

**4.0 Procedure following preparation of Chief Executive’s Report**

This report is being distributed on 25th August 2015 to the Elected Members of the Kildare-Newbridge Municipal District (MD) for their consideration. A meeting of the MD is scheduled to be held on 16th September 2015 to consider this report. The members of the MD shall consider the proposal under Amendment No. 1 and the contents of the Chief Executive’s Report.

Following consideration of the Chief Executive’s Report, the Newbridge Local Area Plan 2013-2019 shall be deemed to be amended as appropriate in accordance with the recommendations of the Chief Executive as set out in this report, 6 weeks after the furnishing of the report to all the Members of the Authority, unless where the Planning Authority, by resolution –

I) Decides to amend the plan(s) otherwise than as recommended in the Chief

Executive’s Report, or;

II) Decides not to amend the plan(s).

Where material alterations are proposed to the amendments, not later than **3 weeks** after the passing of such a resolution, the Planning Authority is required to publish notice of the proposed material alterations and send notice of the proposed material alterations to the Minister, An Bord Pleanála and other the prescribed bodies.

The Planning Authority shall determine if a Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA) or an

Appropriate Assessment (AA) or both assessments, as the case may be, are required as a result of one or more of the material alterations.

**5.0 Recommendation of the Chief Executive**

It is recommended that Amendment No. 1 to the Newbridge Local Area Plan 2013-2019 is made, without any material alterations.