

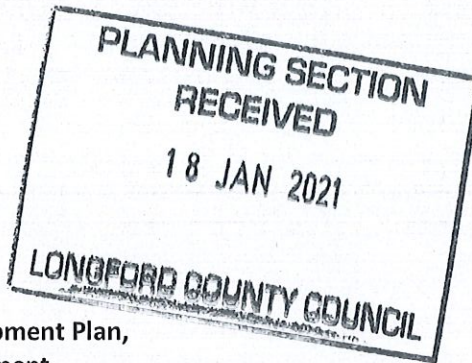
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RE: Submission to County Development Plan 2021-2027

Dear Sir or Madam,

On behalf of my client Mr. Micheal Gettings, I wish to submit to the Public Consultation process in Longford County Councils Draft Development Plan 2021-2027 the following submission in relation to the Land Zoning changes as detailed below and as outlined on the attached maps.

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| Townland: | Granard |
| Folio Number | LD840F |
| Parcel Number: | 18 |
| Gross Area: | 2.16 Hectares |
| Current Zoning | Social/Community/Education |
| Request to Change | 'New Residential' |

Signed:

Brendan Quaine,

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Site Location

LCDP 2015 – 21 identifies Granard as a Tier 2: 'Key Service Town' with strong community linked to large rural area that surrounds. Granard is northerly Town 12 miles from Longford Town.

The Local Economic and Community Plan identifies the demand for houses and locations with as Granard (Key service Town)

The subject site is located within the Development Envelope of Granard and zoned for Social/Community/Education under 2015 – 2021 and in the Draft 2021-26 maps. The site is service with mains sewerage and mains water.



Longford County Map

Site

Site Proposal

- To Rezone the lands highlighted on the maps as Residential Planning has already been granted on the site under PL18306 granted 14th Oct, 2019 and the application process implemented the amendment of the current development zoning.
- Residential in this location can provide for new residential development in tandem with the provision of the already existing social and physical infrastructure provided.
- The development has already been granted permission and has New Public Open Space to dwellings, associated development roads, parking spaces and safe vehicular access, pedestrian and cycle access and egress; provision of boundary treatments including associated lighting; changes in levels, associated hard and soft landscaping to overall development and new pedestrian path at the access road.

Site Context & Appraisal

The area outlined on the Site Map enclosed indicates the extent of the proposed development envelope. There are a number of justifications included those mentioned above which fulfil the criteria for the proposed development site to be included in the zoning.

- i. The housing is required within this small development and to provide for longer term housing requirements for Longford. The development would integrate with the existing and future development of the area and would not compromise the ability to develop wider area of zoned lands in the future.
- ii. Identification of the existing zoned lands as outlined in the current development plan has not been opened for development which is continuously adding to the pressure on local housing demand. This has been clearly demonstrated with the lack of development of its current 'Zoned' lands outlined in the present and past development plans.
- iii. A clear need for the supply of houses is demonstrated in the Town and surrounding areas.
- iv. Guidance from the housing department and local government along with statistics from local selling and renting agents has been considered and the requirement for the housing is established with need locally documented.

Local Planning Policy

The relevant local policy documents for the application site are:

- Longford County Development Plan 2015 - 2021

Longford County Development Plan (LCDP) 2015 – 2021

LCDP 2015 identifies Granard as a 'Key Service Town' with strong community linked to larger towns and rural area that surrounds. Granard is main Northerly town settlement 10 miles from Longford Town. The Town is serviced by the bus link operated by Bus Eireann between Longford and by private operators.

County Longford Local Economic and Community Plan (LECP) 2016 - 2022

The Local Economic and Community Plan identifies the demand for houses and locations with as Granard (Serviced Settlement)

The delivery of housing units within the County of Longford is less than 50% of the target figure for housing units over the time period from 2015 to present set out DECLGs and documented in the LECP.

Under the LECP 'A need has also been identified for private, social housing for people with disabilities and elderly people, so more independent and supervised housing for these groups will be required' with this site located strategically to the community area and facilities.

County Longford – Development Areas LCDP 2015-2022

Tier 1: County Town of Regional Importance - Longford Town

Tier 2: Key Service Town – Granard

Tier 3: Service Town – Edgeworthstown

Tier 4: Local Service Towns - Ballymahon & Lanesborough

Tier 5: Serviced Settlements

Tier 6: Rural Service Settlements & Hinterlands Tier

Location and Surroundings

Context: How does the development respond to its surrounding?

The proposed development is appropriate to the area and the land- use zoning of Residential reserve can now be considered for development by the local authority and in accordance with Appendix 1 of Longford CDP with a 'clearly justified demonstration the release of residentially zoned lands and the demand for residential units' has not been accommodated for the area.

Connections: How well connected is the new neighbourhood?

The site is located to the North of Granard and fundamentally a more suitable residential area to the other more industrial sides of the town. The area provides existing amenities with individual and community Play Areas, Crèche, local Church and National School for residence.

Inclusivity: How easily can people use and access the development?

The design of the proposed development can be fully cognisant of the principles of Universal Design and guidance contained in the Design Manual for Urban Roads and Streets (DMURS). The relatively gradual gradients of the existing lands and road will be provided at no more than 5% under the Planning application and allow the creation of an inclusive neighbourhood, with all roads and paths and all open spaces fully accessible.

Appendix A – Mapping

Property Details

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| | |
|--------------------------------|----------------|
| Folio Number | LD640F |
| Title Level | Freehold |
| Plan Number | 18 |
| Property Number | 1 |
| Area of selected plans | 2.16 hectares. |
| Number of Plans on this folio: | 1 |
| Address | Not Available |

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*PRA Boundaries and Plan Area are not conclusive. See Section 62(2) of Registration of Title Act 2006 and Rule 8(3) of the Land Registration Rules 2012

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County Longford

Granard Zoning Map

County Development Plan 2021-2027



Legend

| | |
|--|-------------------------------------|
| | Industrial/Commercial/Warehousing |
| | New Residential |
| | Recreational/Amenity & Green Spaces |
| | Residential |
| | Social/Community/Exclusion |
| | Strategic Industrial Reserve |
| | Strategic Residential Reserve |
| | Tourism |
| | Town Core |
| | Transport & Utility Objective |
| | Proposed Service Road Corridor |

Notes:
 Please note that every effort has been made to include the latest available Ordnance Survey mapping data.
 Changes to the accuracy of boundaries may be made as a result of the processing of pre-processed data at the time of publication.
 Prepared by the Planning Authority.

