

COMMENTS BY MAYNOOTH CYCLING CAMPAIGN ON DRAFT KILDARE DEVELOPMENT PLAN

Movement and Transport

Section 6.1 Background

The background fails to point out the extreme levels of car dependency compared to other European countries and the resulting consequences which extend far beyond Movement and Transport and involve health and environment.

Section 6.3.1

Delete 'capacity' from the sentence 'The Council's strategy seeks to improve the safety, capacity and efficiency of the transportation infrastructure'.

Section 6.4.1

Add '(it is the policy of the Council) to allocate expenditure and resource between sustainable and non-sustainable modes in proportion to desired modal split'.

Section 6.4.3

Add '(it is the policy of the Council) to encourage additional junctions in urban areas to promote a higher quality environment and to promote permeability of movement.

Section 6.4.4

Change from '(it is the policy of the Council) to limit direct access onto distributor roads to a number of strategically located junction' to 'to encourage additional junctions in urban areas and to bias design in favour of sustainable modes instead of through traffic'.

Section 6.5.1

Change from 'provide distributor/relief roads linking the arterial routes in all major towns' to 'provide ring roads outside the development area of urban centres'.

Section 6.5.2

ST2 Add 'To reduce car dependency'.

ST14 delete 'investigate the role and use of' from the sentence 'To investigate the role and use of lower speed limits in towns and villages....'.

Section 6.5.3

Delete RP1 and RP11 – as they will lead to an increase in car dependency and will do nothing to improve urban areas in Kildare.