

C/o The Administrative Officer,
Forward Planning,
Kildare County Council,
Áras Chill Dara,
Devoy Park,
Naas,
Co. Kildare.
W91 X77F

23rd May 2022

Re: Draft Kildare County Development Plan 2023 - 2029

Dear Sir/Madam,

In relation to the Draft Kildare County Development Plan 2023 - 2029 I wish to make the following submission in relation to Chapter 5: Sustainable Mobility and Transport, Road and Street Network, and specifically the continuing inclusion of the "Gallops Avenue" as a priority road project (Table 5.4 – Priority Road and Bridge Projects) under objective TM058.

The proposed road scheme "The Gallops Avenue" was rejected in 2019 by the democratically elected Naas Municipal District through a statutory Part 8 process. It is an insult to the elected members who supported the opposition to the road to persevere with yet another proposal to build a road and relocate the traffic and congestion to our settled community.

An alternative route located to the east of Naas Racecourse should be a stated objective of any Plan as this would protect local communities from traffic, noise, and air pollution. It is simply ridiculous to jump from one design proposal to another, from one set of consultants to another, whilst incurring significant costs which would be better spent identifying and delivering a more acceptable relief road

Yours sincerely,



Áine Loughran