

Notice of Pre-Draft Public Consultation for proposed Newbridge Local Area Plan 2025 - 2031

In accordance with Section 20 (1) of the Planning and Development Act 2000 (as amended), notice is hereby given that Kildare County Council propose to prepare a Local Area Plan for the Newbridge area. A Local Area Plan is a statutory document that sets out the land use strategy for the proper planning and sustainable development of an area.

To stimulate discussion and encourage public participation at this stage in this process, an Issues Paper has been prepared which sets out the key planning issues pertaining to Newbridge. A copy of the Issues Paper is available at the following locations to download and/or inspect from **Tuesday 10th October to Tuesday 28th November 2023** (7 weeks) inclusive:

- Online at: <https://consult.kildarecoco.ie/en/browse>
- Newbridge Library, Athgarvan Road, Piercetown, Newbridge, Co. Kildare.
- Planning Department, Kildare County Council, Áras Chill Dara, Naas, Co. Kildare.

Council staff from Kildare County Council will be available to answer general queries and provide guidance on the pre-draft consultation and plan-making process at a 'drop-in' event in the Newbridge Town Hall, Main Street from **2.30pm to 6.30pm on Thursday 9th of November 2023**.

Kildare County Council now invites submissions from interested parties in relation to the Issues Paper before **4pm on Tuesday 28th November 2023**. Your name and address should be stated in your submission, and where relevant, the body or organisation represented. Children or groups or associations representing the interests of children are welcome to make submissions. Please make your submission in **one** of the following ways **only** (Late submissions, e-mail or faxed submissions will not be accepted):

- Online at <https://consult.kildarecoco.ie/en/browse>; or
- In writing to:
 - Senior Executive Officer, Planning Department, Áras Chill Dara, Naas, Co. Kildare

A report will be prepared on submissions received and will include the names of those who made submissions. This report will be published on our websites. Details of your privacy entitlements and obligations under GDPR can be read here:

www.kildarecoco.ie/YourCouncil/GovernanceandCompliance/DataProtection/

To encourage younger people to engage in the process, Kildare County Council is also hosting an Art Competition entitled 'Life in Newbridge' for young people of school going age (4 – 19 years of age). Entrants are invited to submit their artistic impression of any aspect of their life in Newbridge. All details are published on <https://consult.kildarecoco.ie/en/browse>;

This is your opportunity to have a say in the future development of your area. We look forward to hearing from you. **DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSIONS: 4pm Tuesday 28th November 2023.**

Signed:

Alan Dunney
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Kildare County Council