

Appendix 1

Summary of the issues raised in Pre-Draft Consultation



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At the end of May 2018, the Council published a Strategic Issues Paper for Kinsaley entitled *'Having Your Say'*. The Paper was intended to generate interest and constructive debate and to assist stakeholders and the public in making a submission/ raising issues for consideration in the LAP.

The pre-draft consultation period on the Strategic Issues Paper ran for a period of 6 weeks, concluding on 13th July 2018. A total of 36 no. submissions were received during this time. The issues raised in the submissions can be summarised under the following headings.

Pedestrian and Cyclist Infrastructure

The ability to move around Kinsaley and to get to other nearby settlements emerged as one of the most significant issues raised through public consultation. The lack of a safe pedestrian/ cycle route to Portmarnock is a key issue for people. Respondents also stated that it should not be necessary to use the car for short journeys either into or around Kinsaley or to Portmarnock and Malahide. The submissions requested the following specific measures be included in the LAP:

- The extension of the footpath on Chapel Road to cover its full length and to enable people to walk to Portmarnock.
- The extension of the footpath on Kinsealy Lane onward from where it currently terminates at Kinsaley Bridge, to connect to Malahide Castle/ Malahide Dart Station.
- Improvement and extension of the existing footpaths along the Malahide Road so that it is not necessary to cross the road multiple times (continuous footpaths on both sides of the road).
- Extension of the existing short section of footpath on Baskin Lane to allow residents further along Baskin Lane to walk into Kinsaley.
- More pedestrian crossings points to enable safe road crossings, especially near the school.

Traffic

The responses to public consultation reflect the concern that exists in the community regarding current traffic levels and movements, as well as the impact that additional residential development will have through increased traffic generation and congestion levels. The villages' position between the airport and Portmarnock/ Malahide as well as between Malahide and Clarehall and the City to the south also results in high levels of through traffic. The following specific suggestions were made:

- Traffic lights required at Chapel Road/ Malahide Road junction.
- Traffic lights required at Malahide Road and Baskin Lane junction.
- Traffic calming measures along Chapel Road are necessary to address speed.
- Possible construction of a roundabout at the Malahide Road/ Chapel Road junction.
- A pedestrian crossing at Baskin Lane.
- Measures to address in/ out traffic from Kinsaley Business Park.

Infrastructure (General)

Concern in relation to infrastructure in the area was highlighted both through written submissions and by attendees at the public consultation/ drop-in session. In particular, there was concern about the extent and capacity of the sewerage system both within Kinsaley and in the surrounding area. Concerns were also raised about flooding on the Chapel Road and Kinsealy Lane. Public lighting also arose as an issue.

Public Transport

Concerns were raised regarding the frequency and capacity of the bus services through Kinsaley. It was also reported that the park and ride at Portmarnock train station has reached capacity.

Dublin Airport

Although some distance outside the LAP boundary, concerns were raised about the impact that the second runway would have on Kinsaley in terms of traffic and aircraft noise.

Village Name

Respondents stated that the village name should be clarified as both forms, Kinsaley and Kinsealy, are used.

Community Infrastructure

A number of the respondents indicated that Kinsaley is lacking community infrastructure. This includes places where people can meet and gather, for example green areas with benches and tables. A lack of amenities for children in the village was also noted.

Retail Facilities

A significant proportion of respondents stated that Kinsaley lacks a village grocery store with people either using the nearby filling station or having to travel by car to either Portmarnock or Malahide for their basic convenience shopping needs. The following specific suggestion was made in this regard:

- Additional retail units and parking across the Malahide Road from the existing St. Olave's development.

Schools

A significant number of children living within the village are attending the Malahide Portmarnock Educate Together National School, which is operating out of the former Teagasc building on the Malahide Road on a temporary basis. Planning permission for this temporary use will cease on the 9th January 2020. Respondents stated that a long term plan needs to be made for the future educational requirements of children living in the village with some respondents stating that the school should remain in its current location. Concerns were also raised regarding the impact that increasing levels of residential development might have on existing educational facilities.

Trees and Vegetation

It is clear from the submissions received that trees and vegetation are highly valued by the community. Respondents wanted trees to be retained insofar as possible and new planting to be incorporated into development and for the maintenance of hedgerows.

Visual Amenity

Respondents indicated that the village requires more bins and that litter/ dumping can be problematic at times.

Village Character

Respondents valued the rural character of the village and wanted to see future development incorporate a 'rural feel'.

River Sluice

A number of respondents commented that the river has become overgrown and needs to be cleared regularly.