The Fingal Development Plan 2017-2023 sets out the Council's proposed policies and objectives for the development of the County over the Plan period. It seeks to develop and improve, in a sustainable manner, the social, economic, environmental and cultural assets of the County.

The administrative area of Fingal covers over 450 square kilometres and includes 88km of coastline. The County stretches from the River Liffey and the Dublin City boundary in the south to the Meath boundary north of Balbriggan, and eastwards from the coast to the Meath and Kildare boundaries in the west.

The County is classified into two areas, the metropolitan area and the hinterland area. The metropolitan area is closest to Dublin City and includes Swords and Blanchardstown, which are the largest population centres in Fingal. The part of Fingal further north, including Lusk, Rush, Skerries and Balbriggan is considered to be the hinterland area.

Kinsaley is one of four village centres located within the area defined as the metropolitan area. The other three villages are Coolquay, Rivermeade and Rowlestown. The approach to these centres in the Development Plan is to ensure that they do not expand too rapidly, which would put pressure on services and the environment and create the potential for unsuitable travel patterns (car focused transport). Given its location within the metropolitan area, the Development Plan acknowledges that Kinsaley acts as a 'commuter village', but seeks to limit/ reduce unsustainable commuting practices.

Rural Villages are zoned RV in the Development Plan. The RV zoning seeks to:

'Protect and promote the character of the Rural Village and promote a vibrant community in accordance with an approved Local Area Plan and the availability of physical and community infrastructure'

Kinsaley also includes the following additional zonings:

Local Centre (LC)

'Protect, provide for and/or improve local centre facilities'

Community Infrastructure (CI)

'Provide for and protect civic, religious, community, education, health care and social infrastructure'

Open Space (OS)

'Preserve and provide for open space and recreational amenities'



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