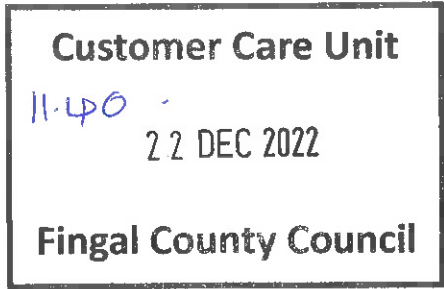


Senior Executive Officer,
Planning & Strategic Infrastructure Dept.,
Fingal Co.Co.,
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22/12/2023



Re: Proposed Material Alteration to Draft Dev. Plan 2023 -2029
Map sheet 5 PA SH 5.7

Dear Sir/Madam,

I wish to make an observation on the Material Alteration to the Draft Development Plan.

It would seem that there is an excessive amount of land zoned for development, at least in the North Fingal area.

The OPR in their submission to the Draft Dev. Plan have expressed similar concerns and suggest that " the Planning Authority will need to prioritise those lands serviced/serviceable that will support a sustainable integrated approach to spatial transport planning consistent with the objectives of the NPF and RSES".

The LDA also express reservations that the Material Alteration to the Draft Dev. Plan - "full regard has not been given ...to promoting compact growth within the existing built up areas.

A good example of a zoning that makes no sense in my own area of Skerries are the lands at Holmpatrick (zoned RS), south of Skerries and a recognised sensitive landscape area. The Fingal CEO recommended dezoning these lands to HA but came under strong resistance from a few local councillors. The lands are remote from the town and cannot comply with any recommendations in the NPF or RSES.

I respectfully request the Planning team and CEO to revisit this particular site and other similar inappropriately zoned sites to bring them into compliance with the NPF, RSES and other professional bodies.

Yours Sincerely,

Gerald Horan

