





County Development Plan 2022-2028



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Statement**

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The Plan consists of:

- Written Statement
- 17 Appendices
- 14 Maps showing land use zoning objectives for the County
- 14 Flood Maps
- 3 Supplementary Maps
- SEA Environmental Reports
- Natura Impact Report in support of Appropriate Assessment

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The Metals and County Hall

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Message from An Cathaoirleach

The Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County Development Plan 2022 – 2028 was made by the 40 elected members of Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County Council and comes into effect on 21st April 2022. The new Plan embraces inclusivity, quality of life and healthy placemaking and will guide development for the next 6 years.

I would like to thank all those who contributed to the preparation of the Plan including the many members of the public and other stakeholders who made numerous submissions during the various public consultation phases of the two year Plan making process. The high level of participation is welcomed particularly given the challenges which we all faced in the last two years due to the Covid-19 pandemic.

I acknowledge the work of the 40 elected members who deliberated over the various stages of the democratic Plan making process at many briefings and multiple Special Council Meetings and who ultimately made the final Plan. The issuing of strategic directions by the Elected Members at the initial stage resulted in a Plan that recognises the unique character of our towns and villages and protects recreational and community uses via the new Sustainable Neighbourhood Infrastructure land use zoning objective.

I wish to particularly thank my predecessors Councillor Una Power and Councillor Shay Brennan who were Cathaoirligh at earlier stages of this process. Thanks also goes to Leas-Chathaoirligh Councillor Deirdre Donnelly, Councillor Séafra Ó Faoláin and Councillor Juliet O Connell.

Finally, I would like to thank the officials across all Departments in the Council that provided advice and informed debate on matters, in particular the Planning Department team.

I am confident that we will all strive together to deliver on this Plan, ensuring the development of the County as a place where people want to live, work, visit and invest.



A handwritten signature in black ink, which appears to read 'Lettie McCarthy'.

**Councillor Lettie
McCarthy**
*Cathaoirleach of Dún
Laoghaire-Rathdown
County Council*

Message from the Chief Executive

The Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County Development Plan 2022 – 2028 is one of the most significant policy documents of the Council. It sets the policy objectives that deliver on many of the goals in the Corporate Plan of the Council. It also represents the culmination of a two year democratic process whereby the Plan is made by the Elected Members, with the advice of the executive and in consultation with the public.

The Plan which was adopted by the elected members on 10th March 2022 and comes into effect on the 21st April 2022, sets out a comprehensive vision for the necklace of towns and villages that make up the County and will guide future climate resilient and economically vibrant growth and development over the 6 year period from 2022 – 2028 in these towns and villages and in our new growth areas. It also places a focus on biodiversity, heritage and the coastal and upland amenities which are an integral part of the unique character of the County.

The vision of the Plan which embraces inclusivity and quality of life is underpinned by five strategic County outcomes centred around the ten minute neighbourhood concept which aims to ensure that people can walk, cycle or use public transport to access their day to day needs and services such as schools, shops, parks and employment. Creating a climate resilient County is a key strategic outcome of the Plan and it is considered that the policy objectives of the Plan which dovetail with overarching national policy as set out in the National Planning Framework will ensure that future development is compact and connected growth which in itself is a key adaptation measure to address climate change. The Plan also includes a new land use zoning objective “Sustainable Neighbourhood Infrastructure” which seeks to protect, support and encourage facilities and services such as schools, healthcare and community facilities that are considered to be central to sustaining and building healthy neighbourhoods.

I would like to take this opportunity to compliment and thank both the Elected Members and the staff of Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County Council, who have worked in close partnership over the past two years on the preparation of the new Plan. I would also like to thank the general public and other stakeholders who actively engaged in the process, which was abundantly clear from the high number of submissions received at all stages of the plan making process.



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Laoghaire-Rathdown
County Council*

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