Public Exhibition Days

We will be holding three public consultation events around the county, where staff will be available to explain the content in the Draft County Development Plan and to discuss your issues.

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Development Plan Stages

**Stage 1**
Notice of intention to review County Development Plan and invite submissions. 7th January 2013 to 4th March 2013.

**Stage 2**
Draft Development Plan and SEA Environment Report on display and invite submissions. 9th Dec 2013 to 26th Feb 2014.

**Stage 3**
Amendments to Draft Plan on display and invite submissions. 4th Sept 2014 to 2nd October 2014.

**Stage 4**
Adopt Plan on the 8th December 2014.

How Do I Make a Submission?

Submissions can be made from Monday 9th December 2013 to Wednesday 26th February 2014. Please make your submission by one medium only, either electronic or hard copy;

1. **By making an on-line submission**, through the Council Web-site at www.corkcoco.ie and follow the instructions provided:

   or

2. **By making a written submission** and addressing it to:

   Senior Planner,
   Planning Policy Unit,
   Floor 13,
   County Hall,
   Cork.

   The deadline for receipt of all submissions is 4pm on Wednesday 26th February 2014.

For legal reasons we cannot accept submissions for this draft plan stage outside these dates and times. Cork County Council cannot accept submissions made by e-mail.

All submissions will be considered by the Council prior to the adoption of the new Cork County Development Plan. It is important that you include your name and address when you send us your views.
What is in the Draft County Development Plan?
The Draft Cork County Development Plan sets out the overall strategy for the proper planning and sustainable development of the County and generally consists of a written statement and accompanying maps. It sets out the County’s planning policy in relation to issues such as:

- Core Strategy,
- Housing,
- Social and Community infrastructure,
- Rural Coastal and Islands,
- Economy and Employment,
- Town Centres and Retail,
- Tourism,
- Energy and Digital Economy,
- Transport & Mobility,
- Water Services and Waste,
- Heritage,
- Green Infrastructure and Environment.

What are the Main Changes in the Draft Plan?
The existing County Development Plan was adopted in January 2009 and remains in force until January 2015. The main changes in the Draft Plan include:

**Core Strategy** - Rebalancing population growth in the Metropolitan and Greater Cork Ring Areas.

**Rural Housing** - Revised policies in line with Ministerial Guidelines.

**Housing** - Encourage greater proportion of new development on zoned land, provide greater flexibility in relating to housing density, review Housing Strategy.

**Energy** - Broadening the scope of energy objectives bringing policies in line with Ministerial Guidelines on Wind Energy.

**Infrastructure** - Identifying the key road and water services infrastructure required to deliver the plans targets.

What Documents make up the Draft Plan?
The Draft County Development Plan is a 4 Volume Plan set out as follows:

- **Volume 1**: Main Policy Material.
- **Volume 2**: Heritage and Amenity.
- **Volume 3**: Environment and Natura Impact Reports.
- **Volume 4**: Detailed Maps.

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Volumes 1 to 4 of the Draft Plan are available online for inspection and download from the County Council’s website www.corkcoco.ie.

Volumes 1, 2 and 3 are available on CD at no charge. The CD also contains the Revised Draft Joint Housing Strategy and the Revised Draft Metropolitan Cork Joint Retail Strategy. Volume 1 including the CD is available to purchase for €20 at the Planning Departments Public Counter, Floor 1, County Hall, Cork.

Where can you view the Documents?
Volume 1 of the Draft Plan (hard copy or electronic format) together with Volumes 2, 3 and 4 in electronic format only may be inspected (each day excluding weekends and public holidays) from 9.00 a.m. to 4.00 p.m. from Monday 9th December, 2013 to Wednesday 26th February, 2014 at the following locations:

1. Planning Department, Floor 1, County Hall, Cork.
4. County Library and Branch Libraries (Please check with your local library regarding opening times and availability of PCs for accessing electronic format).
5. Online at www.corkcoco.ie at all times.

If you have any queries with regard to the policy content of the documents arising from viewing them at the above locations, please contact the Cork County Council Planning Policy Unit at 021-4285900.