

Comhairle Contae **Lú Louth** County Council

> Louth County Council submission on proposed Variation No.5 Monaghan County Development Plan 2019 -2025



Introduction

Louth County Council (LCC) welcomes the opportunity to make a submission in relation to proposed Variation No. 5 of the Monaghan County Development Plan 2019-2025.

Proposed Variation

Monaghan County Council is proposing Variation No. 5 to the Monaghan County Development Plan 2019- 2025 and intends to vary the Plan in accordance with Section 13(2) of the Planning and Development Act 2000 (as amended).

The proposed Variation No. 5 pertains to the change in zoning of 23 parcels of land incorporating 19no. sites proposed to be dezoned (no zoning) and 4 sites proposed to be rezoned (zoning objective changed from one land use zoning objective to another). The aforementioned sites are located in Monaghan Town (4 sites equating to 25.23ha), Carrickmacross (11sites equating to 18.73ha), Castleblaney (2 sites equating to 7.84ha), Clones (4 sites equating to 6.16ha) and in Tier 4 Villages (2 sites equating to 0.84ha). The proposed Variation seeks to change the land use zoning of just under 59 hectares of zoned land, which represents 2.5% of the total of 2,384 hectares of lands zoned within the County Monaghan Development Plan 2019-2025. The details of each proposed change of zoning and the rationale for same are set out in the Appendix.

The proposed variation includes a Screening Report for Appropriate Assessment , the Report concludes that proposed Variation No. 5 will not give rise to any effect on the ecological integrity of any European Sites, alone or in combination with any other plans, programmes, and projects.

The proposed variation incorporates a Screening Report for Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA), following the findings of the screening exercise, it was determined that a SEA was not required to be undertaken.



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Louth County Council Comments Louth County Council have no objection to proposed Variation No. 5 of the Monaghan County Development Plan 2019-2025 and wish you the best in the progression of this Variation through the

remaining stages of the statutory process.

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