

RE: Return of your Counter Representation FODC LDP 2030

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To: Development Plan <developmentplan@fermanaghomagh.com>;

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Dear Anne,

Thank you for your prompt response. I think I should have added to my message of 10.06.19 that we wish our submission to be considered as a "Site-specific Representation"

Kind regards

Jim

From: Development Plan <developmentplan@fermanaghomagh.com>**Sent:** 11 June 2019 08:14**To:** Jim McBain <[REDACTED]>**Subject:** Return of your Counter Representation FODC LDP 2030

Hi Jim,

I wish to acknowledge your correspondence received in this office today 11th June 2019.

Regards

Anne

From: Jim McBain <[REDACTED]>**Sent:** 10 June 2019 22:04**To:** Development Plan <developmentplan@fermanaghomagh.com>**Subject:** RE: Return of your Counter Representation FODC LDP 2030

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Dear Hilda,

In response to your e-mail of 2 May [see below] I write to resubmit our Counter Representation to the proposals contained in the Fermanagh and Omagh Local Development Plan 2030. Please find same attached

Yours sincerely

Jim McBain

Chairman, *Omagh Cycling Initiative*

From: Development Plan <developmentplan@fermanaghomagh.com>**Sent:** 02 May 2019 15:38**To:** Jim McBain <[REDACTED]>**Subject:** Return of your Counter Representation FODC LDP 2030



Fermanagh & Omagh
District Council
Comhairle Ceantair
Fhear Manach agus na hÓmaí

Our Ref LDP Counter Reprs Notification

Date 2 May 2019

Email development.plan@fermanaghomagh.com

Dear Mr McBain,

Return of your Counter Representation and Re-Notification of the Fermanagh and Omagh Local Development Plan 2030: Draft Plan Strategy – Public Consultation on site specific policy representations (counter representations)

The Council recently identified an inadvertent error in the notification procedures for the original consultation on counter representations to its Draft Plan Strategy. I write to you to advise that the Council is undertaking a rerun of the consultation period for the receipt of counter representations in accordance with Regulation 17 of the Planning (Local Development Plan) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2015 (the 'LDP Regulations'). This is to ensure that the Draft Plan Strategy is fully compliant with the legislation. The new 8-week period will commence on Thursday 2nd May 2019 and end on Thursday 27th June 2019.

As you previously sent us a counter-representation in response to the 14th February-11th April 2019 consultation period, this is now being returned to you and is attached. It must be re-submitted by 27th June 2019 if you wish it to be considered at Independent Examination. We apologise for the inconvenience this may cause.

The purpose of a counter representation is to provide an opportunity to respond to site specific policy representations submitted to the draft Plan Strategy under Reg 15 and 16 of the LDP Regulations. "Site specific policy" means a policy in a development plan document which identifies a site for a particular use or development. "Site specific policy" representation means any representation which seeks to change a development plan by –

- a. adding a site specific policy to the development plan document: or
- b. altering or deleting any site specific policy in the development plan document.

Any person may make a counter representation in relation to a site specific policy representation and should indicate the reasons for doing so in terms of soundness and sustainability of the draft Plan Strategy. However, a counter representation must not propose any further changes to the draft Plan Strategy. You must clearly state the Reference of the submission to which your counter representation relates.

All representations are available to view online at: www.fermanaghomagh.com or in hard copy at the Council's Planning Offices - 7 Shore Road, Enniskillen, BT74 7EF and Strule House, 16 High Street, Omagh BT78 1BQ - or at the Council Offices at: The Grange, Mountjoy Road, Lisnamallard, Omagh, Co Tyrone, BT79 7BL; Townhall, 2 Townhall Street, Enniskillen, Co Fermanagh, BT74 7BA.

A Counter Representations Form is available to download from the Council's website. Counter Representations can be submitted by email to developmentplan@fermanaghomagh.com or in writing to the address below:

The Local Development Plan Team
Planning Department
Strule House
16 High Street

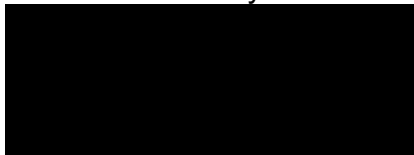
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Copies of the counter representations form along with guidance on what constitutes a counter representation can be obtained from the same sources.

If you have any queries or require further advice, please contact the Development Plan Team.

The 8-week public consultation period will end at **5.00pm on Thursday 27th June 2019**.
Representations received after this time will not be accepted.

Yours sincerely



Hilda Clements
Principal Planning Officer
Local Development Plan

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BT78 1BQ

Jim McBain



15 March 2019

Dear Ms McSorley,

Fermanagh and Omagh District Council – draft plan strategy 2030
Responses to Consultation.

I write in my capacity as Chairman of *Omagh Cycling Initiative*, a local group dedicated to promoting cycling in the Omagh area as an enjoyable means of transport which contributes to health and fitness and is a clean and cheap method of travel. We have had, and have, a close working relationship with Fermanagh and Omagh District Council on many measures aimed at improving facilities for cycling, and thereby alleviating congestion, while enhancing the fitness of all ages of road users.

It is therefore disappointing to see how little response has been received to date which encourages cycling; in fact, only DPS 317, from The Department for Infrastructure, comments: “It is our view that this policy is only focused on the car and traffic. Accessibility appears in the title however it is not considered or referred to within the policy wording. --- no reference is made to active travel and sustainable transport.”

The Department goes on to state: “DFI are committed to achieving an increased proportion of journeys made by walking, cycling and public transport. In order to achieve this, walking and cycling as everyday means of transport, within urban areas, must be made easier.” It goes on to demand that policy wording should support new developments providing safe and convenient pedestrian and cycle use, --- and safe and secure cycle parking facilities, and that major developers be required to do likewise.

Omagh Cycling Initiative strongly supports the views of DFI. It is most disappointing that the only site-specific references to cycling routes are in Infrastructure, section 6.37, and are both in Fermanagh. Also, in Table 8 – 1, no targets are stated for ANY footpaths or cycle paths.

I would appreciate if the above comments, which represent the considered opinion of Omagh Cycling Group members, are afforded due weight when the final Strategy Plan is prepared.

Jim McBain,
Chairman, Omagh Cycling Initiative.