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**To:** Development Plan  
**Subject:** Submission to Draft Clare County development Plan, Folio No CE23479

Ref Folio CE23479. Kilkee Road, Doonbeg.

Dear Sir/Madame,

I am submitting that Folio no CE23479 be re-zoned from **Tourism to Agriculture**. This site was recently refused planning permission for a caravan park. It was deemed totally unsuitable for Tourism with no access to the N67. The land is low lying, wet and prone to flooding. I am a resident at Dun Na Mara the housing estate adjacent to the site. This site should not be used as some form of future extension to Dun Na Mara.

A recent services report carried out by P Coleman and Associates for Clare county council states that the current drainage system in Dun Na Mara is undersized, too shallow and there is no room for an attenuation tank. The surface water drainage scheme in Dun Na Mara is not operational, leading to flooding on the main road at the church side. The pipework was never brought to an appropriate outlet. Residents have been complaining about this for years.

Residents know that the Dun Na Mara estate was never finished properly. Put simply the surface water drainage system is currently not fit for purpose and adding any future development to this scheme will result in a dangerous flooding scenario. This is a very real risk to residents and school children, as the main entrance to the Doonbeg Primary school is on the road most affected by flooding as are the church grounds.

The site is 600m from the mouth of the Doonbeg river. The Doonbeg bay area is designated as a **special area of conservation (SAC)**. It is also a freshwater pearl mussel sensitive area and a special protection area (SPA) These are European designations.

For all of the above reasons, I submit that this land should be re-zoned Agricultural.



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