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To whom it may concern,

Please find attached my submission regarding this amendment to the plan.

Yours sincerely,
Christine Scullane

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Are the zones marked as “Residential” and “Strategic Residential Reserve” on the map earmarked as serviced sites for modular homes?

How many acres will be turned into such serviced sites?

How many homes and how many people?

How will the permanent residents of Lisdoonvarna be affected by this, will the local population decline? The local Doctor retires at the end of March.

What about provisions regarding amenities like Education, Healthcare, Leisure facilities to accommodate children etc to meet the needs of new residents?

What are these new homes expected to look like? Will it resemble an army barracks?

In the text of the plan a lot of emphasis is put on the historical character of the town how will the service sites affect the appearance and appeal of Lisdoonvarna? Will tourism and other businesses be affected, was any consideration given to this area?

Who decided on changes to the Development Plan after it was presented to the public in early 2022? What is the reasoning behind those changes?

Why weren't we the residents consulted or informed of these changes? Are we going to be informed of any other “ideas” before it's just thrown at us?

Councillor Joe Garrihy has not been of any help in any way, shape or form, if anything he keeps information from the local community. Not what we need from our Councillor.

The Department of Justice has just abandoned Lisdoonvarna, no permanent member of an Garda Siochana here considering the size of the population here now. There is unsociable behavior involving alcohol around our local park and no one to tackle it.

North Clare is now nothing other than a dumping ground for “Refugees” Lisdoonvarna and the little village of Ballyvaughan has had its share and you would not see this amount of people shoved in anywhere else. There is little employment, and this is proven with the enormous social welfare payout every week.

There cannot be integration within the community when there is a lack of employment.

This situation will be spoken of and regretted in years to come, it has not been handled or managed well by all involved, the White Hotel Group, Councillor Joe Garrihy and Clare County Council.