## Dear Carmel,



Over the past number of weeks, we the 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> class pupils of Doora NS, have discussed our vision for Ennis in 2028. Outlined below are some of the key features which we believe are important and would improve the quality of living for both the residents of and visitors to Ennis.

- 1. We would like Ennis to be a modern town. By that we mean, a town that is fit for purpose, environmentally friendly and safe. We feel that there is a need to renovate some of the buildings and provide safe outdoor dining spaces free of traffic. It goes without saying that these areas would need some form of shelter from the weather.
- 2. Poor connectivity is still an issue for the people of Ennis. It is vital that the necessary infrastructure is put in place to

- attract Foreign Direct Investment/Multinationals. It will also be a major benefit for our schools.
- 3. It is important that Ennis becomes more environmentally friendly. This can be done in some of the following ways: Investment in cycle lanes that are user friendly and look nice (NOT LIKE THE ONE BESIDE ST. FLANNAN'S COLLEGE) More bins that are collected regularly.
- 4. Consideration should also be given to providing adequate homeless shelter to those that are sleeping rough on our streets.

We would like to see the following services/facilities put in place.

1. While progress has been made with regards to 3<sup>rd</sup> Level Campus, more needs to be done on this. It will provide indirect benefits to the town through increased spending and jobs.

- 2. Multipurpose play areas that are available all year round. It is important to have separate areas for younger children and teenagers who require their own space. It would be important to consider have more access to skateparks in the town of Ennis and not just in Lee's Rd.
- The COVID 19 crisis has highlighted the need to have Ennis Hospital open fully.
- Improvements in retail space to entice more shops/restaurants to Ennis.
- 5. It would be great if there were designated areas for food/historical sights/shopping etc, like those you find when abroad.
- 6. We would like there to be more public bathrooms and that they would be brought up to spec and that cleaned on regular basis throughout the day.
- 7. A Giant Telescope that would entice visitors to come to Ennis.

- 8. Green Space. We would like more greenspaces where we could spend time with our friends in a safe environment. They would need to include benches, picnic areas and toileting facilities.
- 9. Investment in a Bike Rental Scheme like that found in our cities would also be nice.

We hope to see some of the above in your Development Plan for Ennis.

Regards

The pupils of 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> class in Doora NS.

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