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To: [Development Plan](#)
Subject: Submission to Variation No.1 to the Clare County Development Plan 2023-2029
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Dear Sirs

Please see the attached

Regards
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Date: 06 April 2026

Re: Variation No. 1 to the Clare County Development Plan 2023- 2029 regarding Vol. 3a (iv) Adoption of Ennis Local Transport Plan – Connecting Tulla Road to Gort Road, Ennis, Co. Clare

Dear Sirs,

I **OBJECT** to the Clare County Development Plan 2023 – 2029 being varied to include Vol. 3a (iv) Adoption of Ennis Local Transport Plan – Connecting Tulla Road to Gort Road, Ennis, Co. Clare. The reasons for my objection are:-

1. Installation of a bridge over Fergus Minor connecting Gaelscoil/St Clare's & Corrovorrin.

- **Anti-social behaviour/Noise Pollution** → Corrovorrin is quiet residential estate. Most residents are elderly. The installation of a bridge will bring youths/undesirables from different parts of Ennis through our neighbourhood causing anti-social behaviour all hours of the day/night.
- **Illegal dumping** → This goes without saying.
- **Traffic Issues** → The installation of the bridge is intended to benefit cyclists/pedestrians accessing schools or other locations near or on the Gort Road. Parents of school children will use the bridge as a "drop and go" system. This will affect Corrovorrin residents from accessing/leaving their housing estate. Getting in and out of Corrovorrin at Tierney's shop is a nightmare at the best of times. Non-locals will end up using our housing estate as a car park. This will prevent us residents from parking our cars and accessing our own homes. At present, the proposed bridge is for cyclists/pedestrians. Down the line, what is stopping Clare County Council from opening the bridge to cars to alleviate traffic from the Gort Road, Tulla Road etc. Our housing estate will become a free for all!
- **Road safety issues** → This also goes without saying. Increased volume of pedestrians, cyclists and e-scooters which can go at very high speeds. An accident waiting to happen.

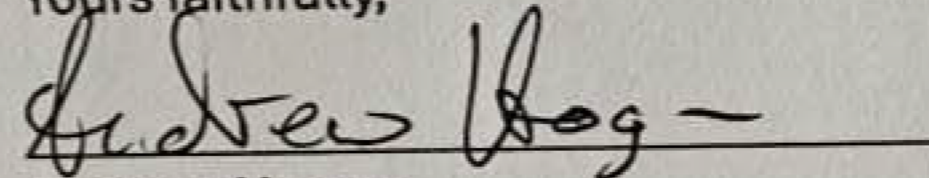
2. Cycleway/Walkway linking Corrovorrin to Gaelscoil Mhichíl Cíosóg, Ennis Educate Together and St. Claire's School.

- **Established cycle route in existence** → There is already an established route connecting the Tulla Road to the Gort Road via St. Senan's Road, through the Crescent, Ivy Hill and onto the Gort Road. There is adequate signage in place, and this route is used by both pedestrians and cyclists daily. The connection of this route would be best use of existing infrastructure.
- **Traffic Issues** → The junction of the Tulla Road and Kevin Barry Avenue is always congested and can be very unsafe due to the narrow road and parking spaces for Tierney's shop. The addition of a cycle/walkway into this junction would be entirely inappropriate from a traffic and road safety point of view.
- **Anti-Social Behaviour** → There is a long history of anti-social behaviour along the Corrovorrin graveyard pathway. The closure of the field belonging to St Anne's School has alleviated this issue. If the area is re-opened, anti-social behaviour, which has caused great distress to residents of Corrovorrin Drive in the past, will return as their houses abut this route.

While the above proposals are great in theory, the cons outweigh the pros for residents of Corrovorrin. My property is not overlooked and has the "security blanket" of a cul de sac. Now, I face the possibility of anti-social behaviour, parking issues, noise pollution, road & traffic issues on my front doorstep!

You might please acknowledge my objection.

Yours faithfully,


Andrew Hogan