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**Subject:** LECP and Rural Development Strategy Submission to County Development Plan

Hi Helen

Attached is formal Rural and Community Development Department's submission to the County Development Plan Review/Consultation

Regards

Michael Neylon



The Rural and Community Development Department wish to formally submit the following to the County Development Planning (CDP) review process and ask that the relevant policies reflect:

- A. That the Community element of the Clare Local Economic and Community Plan (Clare LECP), which is due to be reviewed and updated, sets out, for the County, the following high-level objectives:

**aims to build a society:**

- that is inclusive and cherishes People's Health, Participation and Solidarity
- where people, neighbourhoods and communities are safe, secure and active
- that is socially and physically connected
- that is culturally rich with strong identities
- whose learning environment addresses educational disadvantage and achieves high educational participation rates
- with a learning environment with broad participation in further/Higher education, continued learning and development

**by way of:**

- Ensuring that, by 2020, the number experiencing 'consistent poverty' (both 'at-risk-of' poverty and experiencing 'basic deprivation' will be 2% or less of the population (as measured in Survey of Income and Living Conditions – SILC)
- Ensuring that, by 2020, nationally, 200,000 less people (277,000 in 2016) will be living in combined poverty (either 'consistent' poverty, 'at-risk-of' poverty or 'basic deprivation') and as measured in Survey of Income and Living Conditions – SILC.
- Ensuring the percentage of 18-24 year olds, with Lower Secondary Education or less and not in Further education/training will be 8% (10.6% in 2016) as measured by the Quarterly National Household Survey
- Ensuring the percentage of the 30-34 age group who have completed 3<sup>rd</sup>. Level will be at least 60% (49.4% in 2016) as measured by the Quarterly National Household Survey
- Ensuring emissions, not covered by the 'Emissions Trading System' will be reduced by 21% of 2005 levels (20% of 1990 levels)
- Ensuring the percentage of energy generated from renewables will be 16%
- Ensuring energy efficiency, in terms of 'Primary Energy', will have increased by 20%

- B. That Clare's Rural Development Strategy:

**aims to:**

- Support bottom-up and community-led development
- Address the inter-generational (more than 30 years) population decline experienced by many communities across the county
- Increase the capacity of communities to: address demographic, environmental, social and economic challenges by increasing inter-community and inter-parish co-operation

**by way of:**

- Realising projects of scale and comparative/economic advantage.
- Developing Social Enterprises, Multi-Service Centres, Digitally-Enhanced communities,
- Developing communities that are Inclusive, Age-friendly, Digitally-Enhanced, with Modern Infrastructure and Culturally Vibrant.

