

Submission no. 108

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To whom it may concern.

I am forwarding you a submission from the Ballyvaughan Community Development Group based on the plan finalised in March 2019 through a process assisted by CLDC and Leader. We hope that the main findings will be included in the development of the new County plan. CLDC recommended I emailed this to Helen Quinn so I have cc'd her as well as using the official email address given at our meeting with Clr. Joe Garrihy last week.

The plan has 4 main headings.

To contribute to improved life quality and community experience for those living in or visiting Ballyvaughan the following were found to be important factors:

1. Develop Ballyvaughan's amenities and facilities to be accessible to all local groups for example Hot desk office hub, space for youth activities, sports facilities, safe and lit walking/running track on existing community field
2. Develop a local task force to address population decline : to consider affordable and available housing options for new families, employment and workspace options to attract new residents and the social offerings required to sustain a strong populated base. The difficulties of obtaining planning permission for new permanent long term homes by locals and none locals alike was identified as an issue.
3. Lobbying for improved road safety features and parking : this was a huge issue and our findings and something we are continuing to fight for with some success. The issues include path development (off road), traffic calming, parking controls in the village and signage. The safety concerns regarding cyclists and pedestrians of all ages proved to be huge. The strain on the village of summer traffic on the Wild Atlantic (pre-Covid) is a huge issue in Ballyvaughan with no attempt by traffic managers to address the issues of safety.
4. Scope the possibility of establishing a community transport system for isolated residents with no transport.

The full documentation of the plan can be found in the following document link that was forwarded to the planning department in January this year.

<https://ballyvaughancommunity.files.wordpress.com/2019/03/ballyvaughan-community-development-plan-feb-19-with-revisions.pdf>

Please let me know if we can be of any assistance in the future,

With thanks
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