



Built Environment & Placemaking

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How do we deliver higher densities in our county to facilitate compact growth patterns and reduce urban sprawl?

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What are the challenges we face in doing this?

Placemaking

Key to providing **great places** will be striking a **balance** between the delivery of a **compact pattern** of development through **increased density** and **high-quality design** while protecting our built heritage. The successful delivery of such places will require a **mix of uses, connections** to sustainable transportation and infrastructure, a joined-up approach to **community planning** and a **strategic vision** which includes a greater **emphasis on placemaking**.

Placemaking can create many different forms of public space whether these are hard surface, green etc., yet the overall picture is that these spaces can only be viewed as positive in everyday life. Our **built heritage** enhances our sense of place and history. Protected structures and architectural conservation areas will be reviewed as part of the Development Plan process.



At a national and regional level, the creation of a high-quality built environment is underpinned by a number of **strategic objectives** namely;

Compact Growth

Targeting future housing development within or close to the existing footprint of built up areas.

Providing for a mix of house types/tenures/buildings heights and designs



Energy Efficiency

Developing and creating energy districts which promote a renewables focused energy generation.



Accessibility

To a high-quality public transport network, to amenities and community facilities and to employment growth areas.

A **Connected Sustainable Transport Network** with a move away from car based travel



Placemaking

Creating and enhancing the design and use of public spaces.



Protecting Built Heritage



Retail and Local Services

The **combination** of such objectives will contribute towards our transition to a **low carbon, climate resilient** and environmentally **sustainable economy**.

This plan will set out the framework to guide future development where a focus will be placed on how we live, how we work and how we protect our environment in a manner which results in the **creation of great places** and a **sustainable** and **resilient development** pattern for the overall county.



A Strong and Diverse Rural Economy



Regeneration and Placemaking

The Provision of **Key Infrastructure** to service **New Developments**



Parks and Open Spaces



Community Services and Facilities



Natural Heritage, Biodiversity and Green Infrastructure



A Strong Economy providing a mix of **Employment** types proximate to where we live

The Benefits

Health: Green spaces functioning as locations for restorative contact with nature, physical activity and social engagement positively influence well-being.

Public Health: Improved design of public spaces such as streets, foot-paths, laneways and parks enhance the overall public realm.

Economic: A competitive edge in attracting and retaining skills and talent on which foreign direct investment is reliant.





Creating Great Places

Diversity

A greater mix of land uses, dwelling types and tenures.

Design Quality

Well designed buildings. Places and spaces that are attractive, safe and secure, allowing for a healthy place for the entire community.

Scale/Context of Development

Ensuring the scale and density of development is proportionate while achieving compact growth targets.

the key principles

Accessibility, Connections and Linkages

Considerations of walking distances to public transport, local services and access to the high-quality public spaces.

Integration

Linking new and existing developments to promote inclusion whilst safeguarding residential amenity and our heritage.



DELIVERY: The Plan has a key role to play in guiding the creation of great places in a manner which strengthens connections between communities and the places they share through high quality design and place making.

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