

GOWRAN LOCAL AREA PLAN Review

Public Consultation Workshop

11th November 2009

Tonight's meeting

7.30 - 8.15 pm Welcome and Introduction

8.15 - 9.00 pm Workshop sessions

9.00 - 9.30 pm Feedback from groups

9.30 pm Meeting close
Coffee and tea

Outline

- What is an LAP?
- Why do we need a new one?
- What has happened since the last LAP?
- What does the process involve?

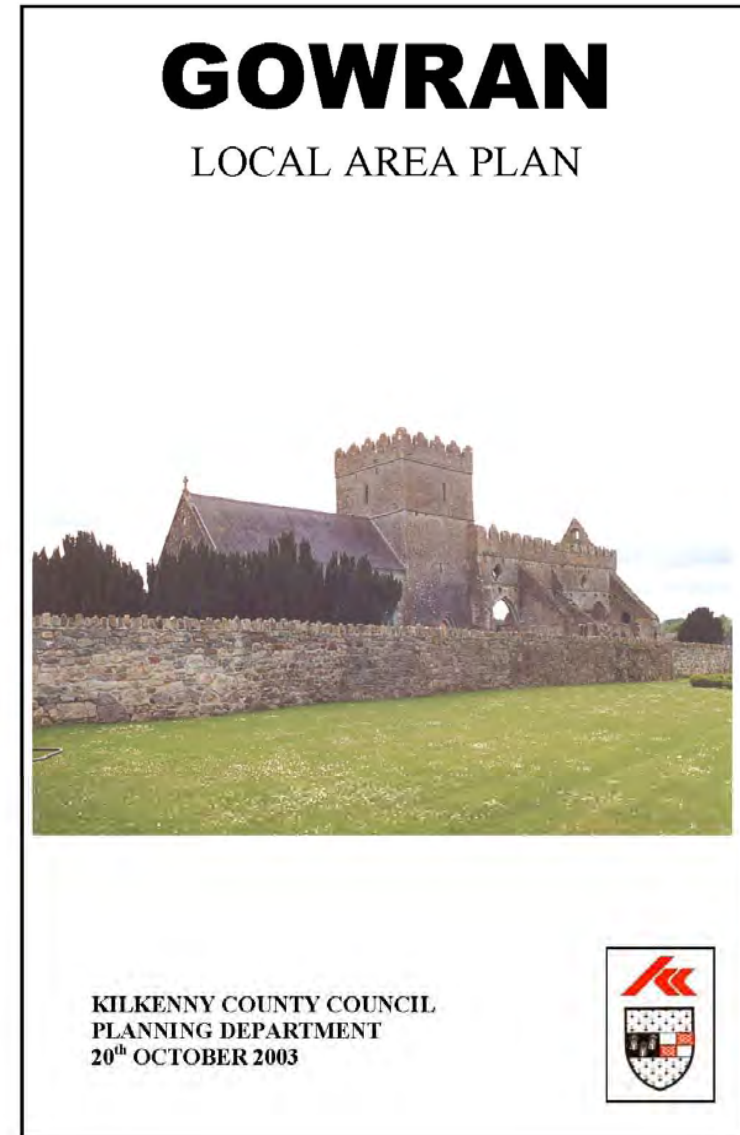


What are we doing?

- Reviewing the 2003 Local Area Plan for Gowran and preparing a new LAP.

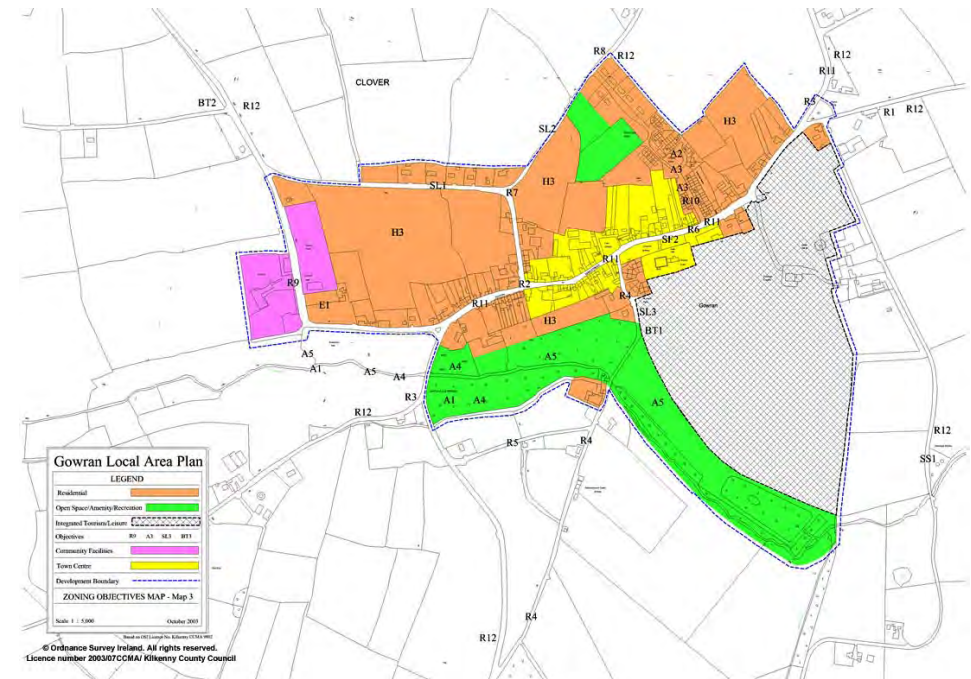
What is a Local Area Plan?

- 6 year statutory document
- A guide for development and decision-making on planning applications and Council activities in the area.



What type of Information will it contain?

- Assessment of existing context
- Vision and strategy statement
- Policies and objectives, including land use proposals
- Development control standards
- Assessment of local environment



Existing Zoning Map (2003)

Why do we need a new Local Area Plan?

1. Gives up-to-date picture of area
2. Determines what has yet to be achieved
3. Establishes framework for next 6 years
4. Assists in prioritising resources and investment
5. Focuses all Council sections on the area
6. Community involvement



CONTEXT



Context

What has happened in period of last plan - since 2003?

- Upgrading of Waste Water Treatment Plant
- New services in village
- Traffic management improvements - Church Road
- Some commercial vacancies
- Dereliction/ appearance of properties



Context

Housing stock has increased -
population has increased.

- ❖ The Paddocks
- ❖ Bradog Way
- ❖ Abbeygrove
- ❖ The Steeples
- ❖ Greenview
- ❖ Ogenty

Population

- 2002 Census 454
- 2006 Census 487



Context - Services

Gowran National School

No. of Pupils:

2003 - 171 pupils

2009 - 224 pupils

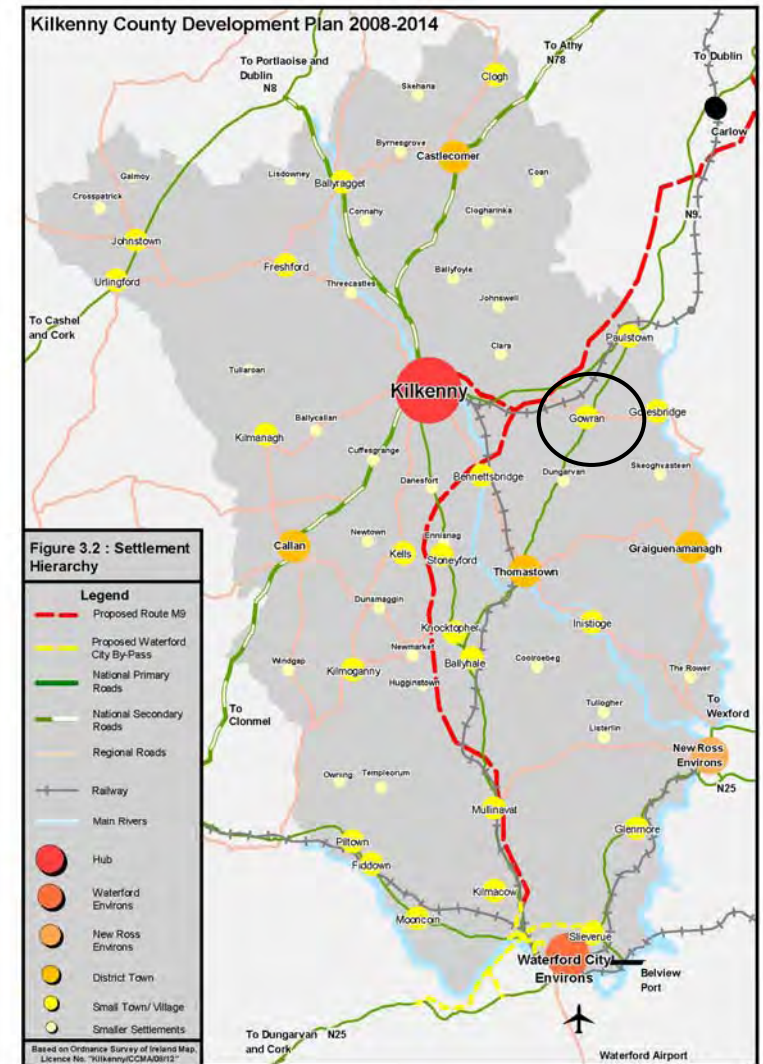


Context - Population

County Development Plan
Settlement hierarchy

Gateway: Waterford City Environs
Hub: Kilkenny
Large Town: New Ross Environs
District Towns: Callan, Castlecomer, Graiguenamanagh and Thomastown

Smaller Towns & Villages - Gowran



Government Guidelines: *Sustainable Residential Development 2009*

LAP PROCESS



Process: Key Stages in preparing new Gowran Local Area Plan

<u>STAGE</u>	<u>KEY ACTIVITY</u>	<u>TIMEFRAME</u>
<u>Stage 1</u>	Information collection and analysis; publicity, public consultation invitation of submissions; preparation of a Draft Local Area Plan. <i><u>Your input is important!</u></i>	Oct-Jan
<u>Stage 2</u>	Public display of Draft Plan and further submissions invited.	Feb-March
<u>Stage 3a</u>	Preparation of a Manager's Report and potential adoption of the plan (if no changes made to the LAP).	March-May
<u>Stage 3b</u>	Only occurs if members decide to materially alter the Draft LAP. This stage will provide a further public display and opportunity for submissions.	May-Sept.

Stage 1: What is the Purpose of this Workshop?

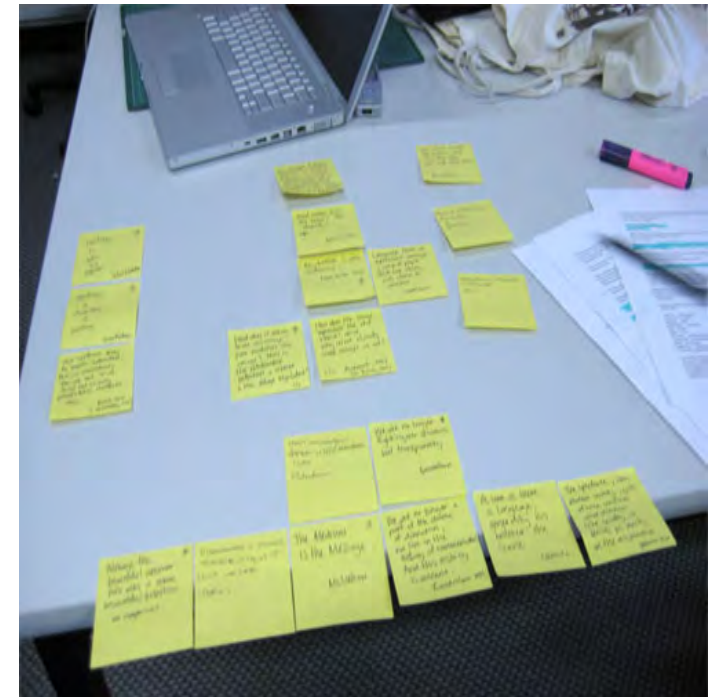
To introduce the Local Area Plan and the plan making process

To understand your views and aspirations for Gowran

To encourage interaction and debate

To inform the Draft Local Area Plan

To generate community involvement and create possible new linkages



THANK YOU



Conclusion - What's Next?

- Next step is to collate views, comments and ideas expressed at the workshop
- Await receipt of questionnaires and individual submissions - remember DEADLINE IS 5PM 15TH January
- Prepare submissions report and make available
- Consider ideas, views and comments made in preparation of Draft Gowran Local Area Plan
- Prepare Draft Plan and put on public display for a period of 6 weeks (beginning in New Year)

Stage 1: PRE-DRAFT SUBMISSIONS

You are invited to make a submission on the preparation of Gowran LAP setting out any comments you may have.

Please send to:-

Director of Services
Planning Department
Kilkenny County Council
County Hall, Johns Street,
Kilkenny

Or email to localareaplans@kilkennycoco.ie

**DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSIONS IS 5PM FRIDAY
15th January 2010**

