Mucklagh Village Plan

Settlement Description

Settlement Context: Mucklagh is located alongside the old N52, now the L-2030-1, approximately 5km southwest of Tullamore. The original form reflected some sporadic roadside development i.e. houses, farms etc. but due to its proximity to Tullamore and the demand it generated, the area was subject to linear development along the old N52. Measuring approximately 1.6km in length along the now local road, the settlement at Mucklagh is extremely long with very little



depth and with no real centre or core area. The village's dispersed linear form should be consolidated in future growth to bring some form to the settlement and to reinforce the sense of place.

Population Census 2016: 826 (+ 2 % since Census 2011)

Services and Facilities: Roman Catholic Church, Graveyard, Community Centre, GAA Grounds, Nursing Home, National School, 2 no. Funeral Directors, Hair Salon, Pub, Shop, Pre-school and After-School

Waste Water Treatment: Mucklagh Waste Water Treatment Plant

Water Supply: Rahan – Agall/Hollimshill Public Water Scheme

Broadband: High Speed Fibre Broadband

Appendix 2 of Volume 1 of the County Development Plan includes an Infrastructural Assessment Report which addresses infrastructure provision, deficiencies and investment proposals relating to the towns and villages.

Settlement Objectives

Housing and Sustainable Communities Objectives

- SO1 To ensure that future growth is balanced and sustainable and is appropriate to the scale, size and character of the existing village.
- SO2 To foster the creation of a more consolidated and coherent settlement to reinforce a sense of place.
- SO3 To encourage the development of infill sites and re-use of vacant buildings to create a compact, vibrant village.
- SO4 An Opportunity Site is identified in the village which has the potential to consolidate the village with a high quality scheme. Development proposals on this site shall be in accordance with the requirements of Section 7.2.4 of Volume 1 of this County Development Plan.
- SO5 Constrained Land Use zoning shall be developed in accordance with Section 12.6, Objective LUZO-14 in Volume 1 of this County Development Plan.

Economic Development and Regeneration Objectives

- SO6 To encourage the further development of retail and commercial services in the village core to expand the local service and employment base.
- SO7 To enhance the public realm, to define the village core and to create a sense of place.

Healthy Place Making and Infrastructure Objectives

- SO8 To support the provision of public amenities / recreational facilities in the village, including a community playground and exercise fitness zone areas.
- SO9 To seek the upgrade and incremental expansion of the public lighting and footpath network in the village.
- SO10 To investigate the feasibility of upgrading footpaths and providing a cycle lane to link Mucklagh Village to Tullamore Town.
- SO11 To investigate the feasibility of providing public lighting between Mucklagh Bridge and Charleville Roundabout.
- SO12 To promote traffic calming measures and road safety in the village.

To support the development of car parking at Mucklagh community Centre, to include electric car charging points.

- SO13 To investigate the feasibility of providing a footpath, cycle path, public lighting and, if necessary, a pedestrian crossing, to link the potential new grounds of the Mucklagh Schoolboys/girls Community Soccer Club with the village core.
- SO14 To investigate the feasibility of improving the junction between Mucklagh Road and Brocca Road and providing a footpath, cycle lane and public lighting from the Brocca Road junction south to Shamrocks GAA grounds.
- SO15 To promote public realm improvements including native tree planting and pollinator friendly planting projects in the village.

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