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FINGAL COUNTY COUNCIL

FINGAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN 2023-2029

TUESDAY, 20TH SEPTEMBER 2022

Sheet 2 Fingal North

Motion from Councillor Karen Power, Councillor Daniel Whooley, Councillor Pamela Conroy, Councillor David Healy, Councillor Ian Carey : 81870

Seamus Ennis Arts Centre

Rezone the Fingal County Council owned site in Naul, comprising the Seamus Ennis Arts Centre and waste ground site to be developed as a park, as 'CI' Community Infrastructure

REPORT:

The contents of the motion is noted.

In the interests of clarity, the subject lands as shown on the map submitted in support of this motion includes both the Seamus Ennis Centre and ancillary lands to the rear, located within the rural village of Naul. The lands are currently zoned RV-Rural Village in the current FDP 2017-2023 and this zoning objective is carried through to the Draft Plan.

The Draft Plan requires the preparation of a new Masterplan for Naul within the plan period as set out in Table 2.18 of the Draft Plan. This is considered the most appropriate vehicle to review the mix of land-uses within Naul RV in the context of the motion to provide a coherent and co-ordinated sustainable planning framework for the future development of the existing rural village while minimising the potential adverse effects of development on the environment. The Masterplan process will involve community consultation to balance the needs and aspirations of the community with the requirements of the Planning Authority and the expectations of relevant stakeholders to promote physical and social integration and sustainable self-sufficient communities. Masterplans will also be presented to the Elected Members for consideration and agreement.

In addition, the approach of Fingal has been to zone the rural villages as RV, with limited other zonings outlined. These traditional village settlements, have the broad RV zoning objective which aims to protect the special character of rural villages and provide for improved village facilities. This approach together with the required Masterplan is considered a sufficiently robust to guide the future sustainable development of the village including the Seamus Ennis Centre. Critically, it is noted that the RV zoning objective and associated vision provides for a wider range of uses than the CI zoning objective in the context of the future sustainable development of the overall Seamus Ennis Facility.

Furthermore, Chapter 4 Community Infrastructure and Open Space of the Draft Plan includes a wide range of relevant policies and objectives relating to the provision of community, sporting and recreational facilities, including, policy CIOSP1 which seeks to promote and support the provision of appropriate community facilities across Fingal.

In this context, the current RV zoning objective and required Masterplan approach for Naul village as well as supporting community infrastructure objectives as set out in the Draft Plan is sufficiently robust to capture the intent of the motion.

RECOMMENDATION:

No change to the Draft Plan.