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in accordance with Section 12(8) of the
Planning and Development Act 2000 (as amended)

And including Chief Executive's Recommendations on all
Proposed Material Alterations.

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GLWC-C5-3	Michael Gallagher	St. John the Apostle Knocknacarra NS
GLWC-C5-4	Michael McCormack	Transport Infrastructure Ireland
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GLWC-C5-27	Eleanor Hough	
GLWC-C5-28	Pamela Harty, MKO	National University of Ireland, Galway
GLWC-C5-29	Meabhann Crowe, MKO	Alber Developments
GLWC-C5-30	Brendan Smith	
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GLWC-C5-33	Mairead Millane	
GLWC-C5-34	Jenny Flanagan	
GLWC-C5-35	Sinéad O'Donnell	

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GLWC-C5-36	Ruth Enright	
GLWC-C5-37	PASCHAL RYAN	
GLWC-C5-38	Emily Terejko	
GLWC-C5-39	Shaun O'Donnell	
GLWC-C5-40	Martin Fahy	Save Roscam Peninsula
GLWC-C5-41	Sheila Convery	Irish Water
GLWC-C5-42	Cllr. Martina O'Connor	
GLWC-C5-43	Enda Fallon	
GLWC-C5-44	Áine Bourke, MKO	Cairn PLC
GLWC-C5-45	Mairead Garry	Department of Education
GLWC-C5-46	Ann Fallon	
GLWC-C5-47	Stephen Troake	
GLWC-C5-48	Alan Clancy, MKO	Michael Tully
GLWC-C5-49	Anne Gaughan	
GLWC-C5-50	John Carrig	
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GLWC-C5-53	Jane Shimizu	
GLWC-C5-54	Joanne O'Donnell	
GLWC-C5-55	Bridie Folliard	
GLWC-C5-56	Mary Godfrey	
GLWC-C5-57	Martin Molloy, MKO	Labhaoise Hutchinson
GLWC-C5-58	Mary Ryan	
GLWC-C5-59	Pamela Harty, MKO	Galway Race Committee
GLWC-C5-60	Orla McCafferty, MKO	City Gateway Ltd
GLWC-C5-61	Carmel Conlon	
GLWC-C5-62	Luke Thompson	Department of the Environment, Climate and Communications
GLWC-C5-63	Orla McCafferty, MKO	Ross Tobin
GLWC-C5-64	Ballybane Library	Ballybane Library
GLWC-C5-65	Derek Connolly	
GLWC-C5-66	Anne Mooney, MKO	Proofridge Ltd,
GLWC-C5-67	Isobel O'Beirne Morrissey, MKO	McHugh Property Holdings
GLWC-C5-68	Brian Jordan	
GLWC-C5-69	Fiona Timoney	Northern & Western Regional Assembly
GLWC-C5-70	Áine Bourke, MKO	Damien Hanley
GLWC-C5-71	Colm Cummins	Electricity Supply Board
GLWC-C5-72	Tommy Kearns	
GLWC-C5-73	Johanna Bolton	
GLWC-C5-74	Aileen Fitzgerald	
GLWC-C5-75	Evelina Sadauskaite, MKO	Educena Foundation

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GLWC-C5-76	Hetty Keane	
GLWC-C5-77	Sean Woods	OPR Office of the Planning Regulator
GLWC-C5-78	Tuatha of Terryland Forest Park	Tuatha of Terryland Forest Park
GLWC-C5-79	Sinéad O Donoghue	Land Development Agency
GLWC-C5-80	Maria Mc Neela	
GLWC-C5-81	D Hambleton	An Taisce - Galway Planning Committee
GLWC-C5-82	Nuala Cosgrove	
GLWC-C5-83	Sharon Walsh	
GLWC-C5-84	Brian Reidy	
GLWC-C5-85	Edel Griffin	Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage - Development Applications Unit
GLWC-C5-86	Caroline Stanley	Friends of Merlin Woods
GLWC-C5-87	Katie O'Dwyer	
GLWC-C5-88	Mary Walsh	
GLWC-C5-89	Rowena Lally	
GLWC-C5-90	Isobel O'Beirne Morrissey, MKO	Glenveagh Living
GLWC-C5-91	Mary Walsh	
GLWC-C5-92	Coastal Action Group	Coastal Action Group
GLWC-C5-93	Rosshill/Roscam Residents Association	Rosshill/Roscam Residents Association
GLWC-C5-94	Gerard Smith	
GLWC-C5-95	Eoin Madden	Green Party
GLWC-C5-96	Anne Mooney, MKO	Liam Dilleen
GLWC-C5-97	Dermot McLoughlin	
GLWC-C5-98	Dermot McLoughlin	
GLWC-C5-99	Izabela Guzik	
GLWC-C5-100	Dermot McLoughlin	
GLWC-C5-101	Dermot McLoughlin	
GLWC-C5-102	Áine Bourke, MKO	Health Service Executive
GLWC-C5-103	Deirdre Grealish	
GLWC-C5-104	John Grealish	
GLWC-C5-105	Eoin Farrell	National Transport Agency
GLWC-C5-106	Galway Cycling Solutions	Galway Cycling Solutions
GLWC-C5-107	Eamonn Hogan	
GLWC-C5-108	Deirdre Greally	

Summary of submissions received

Submission Reference	Author
GLWC-C5-1	Environmental Protection Agency
Summary	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Requests consideration of the EPA guidance document with regard to integrating environmental considerations into Local Authority land-use plans. • Need to ensure that the plan including alterations is consistent with proper planning and sustainable development and aligns with national commitments on climate change mitigation and adaptation and is consistent with key relevant higher-level plans and programmes. • Where the SEA has identified any alterations as having potential for likely significant environmental effects or which conflict with national environmental or planning policy, clear justification should be given for proceeding with those alterations. • The Plan, prior to its adoption, should also consider and integrate the recommendations of the SEA. • Where further changes to the Draft Plan are proposed, these should be screened for likely significant effects in accordance with SEA Regulations. • Prepare an SEA Statement following the adoption of the Plan and forward it to Environmental Authorities. 	
GLWC-C5-2	St. John the Apostle Knocknacarra NS
Summary	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Will have a major detrimental impact on future traffic volumes to the St John of the Apostle, national school and will impact on pedestrian safety and student safety. • This road would become the main artery to serve the residential lands at Kingston. • A change of zoning was never part of the discussions between the council and the school community with regard to uses of the amenity lands at this location. 	
GLWC-C5-3	St. John the Apostle Knocknacarra NS
Summary	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Will have a major detrimental impact on future traffic volumes to the St John of the Apostle, national school and will impact on pedestrian safety and student safety. • There is already a serious traffic concern on this road and are traffic impacts on surrounding estates and the proposed rezoning will exacerbate this impact. • Will result in a loss of recreational space. • Strongly object to a change of zoning to accommodate housing which was never part of the discussions between the council and the school community with regard to recreation uses for the Kingston Amenity Lands. 	
GLWC-C5-4	Transport Infrastructure Ireland
Summary	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Review proposed material alterations A3, A6, A17, A18, A26 (re: Headford Road Traveller Accommodation), A30 to ensure compatibility with the delivery of the 	

approved N6 GCRR Scheme to ensure that proposals do not compromise or conflict with the delivery of the approved N6 GCRR Scheme. Include appropriate mitigation where warranted.

- Review Proposed Material Alteration ref. A.9 Headford Road appears to indicate a new access to the N84, national road, at a location in the vicinity of the Kirwan Junction. It is a requirement to ensure that this does not compromise road user safety and that such a junction can be safely accommodated at this location, complying with TII Publications design standards, without compromising the strategic function of the adjoining national road network.
- A56- TII would welcome consultation as a Stakeholder on the review of the Galway Transport Strategy when the review commences.
- A63- amend policy 4.4 to include that where such roads are national roads, regard shall also be had to TII Publications DN-GEO-03030 (Design Phase Procedure for Road Safety Improvement Schemes, Urban Renewal Schemes and Local Improvement Schemes)'. This reflects that some roads are national roads and may also be heavily trafficked, high speed, national roads.
- A68 amend policy 4.6 (5) to include that where national roads are impacted, complementary design standards outlined in TII Publications will be applied, including TII Publications DN-GEO-03030 (Design Phase Procedure for Road Safety Improvement Schemes, Urban Renewal Schemes and Local Improvement Schemes)'. This acknowledges that the road network also includes national roads.
- A93 amend Section 5.10 specific objective 31(A) regarding the extension of the Terryland Park Greenway to include that proposals for such connectivity shall be undertaken in consultation with TII and shall demonstrate compliance with TII Publications (Design Standards) in the interest of the safety of all road users'.
- A99 Amend Section 6.32 to include that the Masterplan for the Airport will be subject to an appropriate evidence base and ABTA and will be incorporated into the Development Plan by amendment or variation in accordance with official policy requirements.
- A108 TII would welcome consultation on the proposed Joint Retail Strategy where there may be implications for the strategic national road network.
- A149 TII would welcome consultation on the preparation of Local Area Plans, especially the Headford Road LAP
- A174 Amend text in section 11.10.3 Travel Plans to reflect the requirement for Traffic and Transport Assessment (TTA) for private development applications, in addition to the stated requirement in relation to Local Area Plans, Masterplans and Framework Plans already included in Section.

GLWC-C5-5

Veronica Crombie

Summary

- Strongly oppose the plan to put another road through Merlin Park, affecting the woods and the meadows.
- Importance nature has in supporting people's wellbeing and mental health.
- These precious woodlands and the amazing meadows, which are home to many rare plants and insects. Another solution can be found, which will not strip the Galway community of an amazing irreplaceable resource.

GLWC-C5-6	Sharon Long
Summary	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Objection to the wording to amend the specific development objective and map used for lands at Roscam: Coast Road (Fig 11.24, pg 110). • Both the map and the wording indicate that this is one complete site on which only 1 house can be built when in fact the land has been divided into three (see land registry map attached) and there has already been full planning issued for 2 houses, one of which has already been completed. • As the owner of the second plot of land with full planning permission (Ref 21/87), I have grave concerns that the proposed wording does not take into account the fact that there will be two houses on the entire plot of land pictured in the map. I also fear that this could cause difficulties during the building process especially with possible delays due to the current crisis in the building industry. • Submission notes that clarification was sought with the planning department on the proposed wording prior to making this submission on the wording whereby it was clarified that <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ <i>the proposed wording for Figure 11.24 was amended from 2 houses to 1 house to take into account the fact that your sisters house has been built. This language is intended to mean that on this basis there is an allowance for one more house to be built (in addition to your sisters house). That is the rationale in going from 2 houses to 1 house.</i> • Submission states concerns that this clarity is not reflected in the map and wording used in the development plan, both of which need to be changed to reflect the above statement. 	
GLWC-C5-7	Caitriona Ní Bhroin
Summary	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Objects to the proposed road through Merlin Woods. • Existing woods and meadows are a public amenity and a valuable resource for nature, biodiversity and walking, supporting health and well being and should be retained 	
GLWC-C5-8	Rosemary O'Connor
Summary	
Objects to the proposed road through Merlin Woods.	
GLWC-C5-9	Ruth Browne
Summary	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Objects to proposed road affecting areas of Merlin Woods • Concerned about biodiversity loss and impact on climate change 	
GLWC-C5-10	OPW
Summary	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A131 supported by the OPW. • A134 supported by the OPW. 	

- A176 supported by the OPW.
- A140 supported by the OPW.
- A183 supported by the OPW.
- Welcomes that an interactive web based Land Use Zoning and Specific Objectives Map will be made available following adoption of the plan.
- OPW note that the request to provide guidance on the likely applicability of different SuDS techniques for managing surface water run-off at key development sites, and also that the SFRA identifies where integrated and area based provision of SuDS and green infrastructure are appropriate in order to avoid reliance on individual site by site solutions has not been reflected in the updated SFRA, or addressed in the Chief Executive's Report.
- OPW welcomes the additional Plan Making Justification Tests included in the updated SFRA.
- A162 OPW notes that highly vulnerable Low Density Residential (LDR) zoned lands to the south of Coast Road near Curragreen, which overlap with Flood Zones A and B have not been assessed against the criteria of the Plan Making Justification Test. Highly vulnerable development is not appropriate in Flood Zones A or B unless it has been assessed against and satisfied all criteria of the Plan Making Justification Test. -R2 lands south of the coast road (was fig 11.24)
- A9 Land is located in Flood Zone A. Highly vulnerable usage is not appropriate in Flood Zone A unless all criteria of the Plan Making Justification Test have been satisfied.
- A13 land is located in Flood Zone B. Highly vulnerable usage is not appropriate in Flood Zone B unless all criteria of the Plan Making Justification Test have been satisfied.
- A24 Area overlaps with Flood Zone B. Highly vulnerable usage is not appropriate in Flood Zone B unless all criteria of the Plan Making Justification Test have been satisfied. In addition, it should be noted that in CFRAM High End Future Scenario mapping, most of the area covered is shown as at risk in the 0.1% event. Planning authorities can consider climate change impacts in the Plan-making Stage by avoiding development in areas potentially prone to flooding in the future.
- A25 Lands are located in Flood Zone A. Highly vulnerable usage is not appropriate in Flood Zone A unless all criteria of the Plan Making Justification Test have been satisfied.
- A27 The area highlighted contains a small overlap with Flood Zones A and B, and extents are shown to increase in this area in the National Indicative Fluvial Mapping (NIFM) Future Scenarios. Consideration of granting of permission should subject to a requirement for an SSFRA, and any vulnerable development should be restricted to Flood Zone C.

GLWC-C5-11

Eleanor Winters

Summary

- Concerned that part of merlin woods may be used for a roadway. This is a rich environment where we go bird watching, exploring the wildlife and playing, as a family.

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To develop any area of this woodland or meadow would destroy the habitat for many creatures it is such a rare resource so close to the city centre and should be protected at all cost. 	
GLWC-C5-12	Adrian Curran
Summary	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Urge Councillors to remove the road through Merlin Woods. In the midst of a biodiversity crisis that is an existential threat and building a road through one of the few precious wildlife havens in our city is the absolute opposite of what you should be doing. 	
GLWC-C5-13	James McCarthy
Summary	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Concern about level of transparency at this stage of the development plan process minutes of council meetings relating to discussion on Draft Plan CE report and material alterations not available to public during material alterations public consultation period. A.161 – Rezoning of LDR to R2 is unjustified as is too similar to LDR and R2 is contrary to OPR recommendation and RSES and NPF objectives. Requests that council remove R2 zoning classification. Development is already allowed for in Section 5.9. Concern that rezoning of lands from LDR to R2 on Roscam Peninsula will damage biodiversity and habitats in the area and impact the SPA contrary to policy objectives set out in the plan to protect and enhance biodiversity and climate adaptation and mitigation. <p>Objections relating to MAs</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A21 – Objects to rezoning of lands from G to R2 contrary to CE recommendation. Lands are an integral part of major wildlife corridor and Galway City Green Belt which is essential to maintaining vibrant biodiversity. Development of the site may also impact the 5th century monastic site at Roscam. A.22 – Objects to the removal of the protected view contrary to CE recommendation as it is not in the public interest and sets an unacceptable precedent. A.23 – Objects to the rezoning from G to R2 contrary to OPR recommendation. Sets precedent for the further rezoning of greenfield sites which will cause further environmental impacts. A.32 – objects to increased density on site as contrary to OPR recommendation and lack of waste water infrastructure. Requests that a natural capital audit be carried out on Roscam Peninsula to assess potential loss of biodiversity. 	
GLWC-C5-14	Rosshill Roscam Residents Association
Summary	
A.21	

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Objects to rezoning of lands from G to R2 contrary to CE and OPR recommendation. • Rezoning lands is inconsistent with NPF/RSES objectives. 	
A.22	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Objects to the removal of the protected view 	
GLWC-C5-15	Rosshill Roscam Residents Association
Summary	
Submission calls for removal of red text to support indicative coastal greenway route due to ecological and environmental sensitivities.	
GLWC-C5-16	Rosshill Roscam Residents Association
Summary	
Objects to increased density on site as contrary to OPR recommendation and lack of waste water infrastructure. Requests that a natural capital audit be carried out on Roscam Peninsula to assess potential loss of biodiversity.	
GLWC-C5-17	Maja Grings
Summary	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Objects to the proposal to put a new access route for a bus corridor through Merlin Woods. The bus corridor through Merlin woods is example of Galway City trying to avoid reallocating existing road space away from cars rather than serving a genuine need. • In a biodiversity and climate crisis, the last thing we need is more asphalt running through our few remaining natural spaces. 	
GLWC-C5-18	Matt & Mary Lohan
Summary	
Material Alteration report recommendation contradicts previous report prepared by Barry Transportation, who were commissioned by Galway City Council to design and oversee the overall project i.e., the Kirwan Junction.	
In this report Barry Transportation recommended removing the entrance to the Lohan Property on N6 Headford Road and providing an alternate, safer entrance on the Coolough Link Road. Barry Transportation emphasised in its report dated the 2nd of July 2018 that the benefits of this adjustment were as follows:	
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> a) It provides a safer means of access and exit to/from the Lohan property b) There is only one direction of traffic flow at the merge point; instead of exiting the property onto a footpath, a cycle lane and two lanes of traffic. c) The proposal would also remove one access point from a National Road which is in accordance with TII policy. d) Perplexed with CE response that the proposed new access point onto the slip road would “compromise the safety of traffic movements at this location”. Of the view that the existing entrance serving their property on a 4 lane National Road with a footpath and cycle lane within 36 meters of an extremely busy 5 way junction is far 	

more dangerous than an entrance onto an existing single lane, one way minor slip road.

GLWC-C5-19

Caro Ni Ruadhain

Summary

Supports and welcomes the following material alterations to the plan (A.76, A.63 and A.175) which seek to deliver increased cycling routes throughout the city, and to build a connected cycling network between Galway City and the surrounding commuter towns and look forward to seeing the spirit of these material alterations, as well as the letter, influencing all infrastructure, and public realm design and changes over the coming years.

A. 76

I would ask that the hard shoulders on the R338 Oranmore road be immediately converted to protected cycling space. The Council should remove all organic matter, resurface the hard shoulder to remove all potholes, waterpooling, and dangerous changes in surfacing, implement structural barriers to create protection for cyclists, and reduce the width of the existing motor lanes, so that the road is engineered to ensure driving at a maximum 50kmh speed limit.

These changes will reduce the need to use cars to travel between estates on the Coast Road, and to the schools by providing safe walking and cycling space, as well as amenity space for all those living and working in the area.

This has the potential to significantly reduce traffic congestion, improving air quality, reducing noise pollution and enhancing the lives of those living and working in the area. It is of particular importance that these changes take place now, as the City and County Development Plans both seek to increase the level of housing in this area.

A.63

Streets should be designed to protect pedestrians and cyclists first. That means wider footpaths, protected bike lanes, narrower road widths to deter speeding, clear sightlines at junctions, pedestrian crossings to allow people cross safely, and traffic light sequences that give older people, those with mobility challenges, parents pushing buggies, or managing multiple children sufficient time to safely cross before the lights change.

Any reduction in road width should not endanger cyclists, but must be accompanied by the creation of protected bike lanes which allow cyclists on all types of bicycles and mobility aids, including cargobikes, trikes, and adapted bicycles such as handcycles, recumbent bicycles, and motorised wheelchairs to safely traverse the narrowed section without coming into conflict with motorists.

A.175

I fully support the provision of bike parking throughout the city, at all shopping areas, schools, colleges, hospitals, and at all commercial and industrial estates.

The Council should ensure that bike parking includes access to quick charging points, in the same way that charging points for e-cars are installed.

Covered bike parking should also be the default throughout the city, to provide a genuine option for those using their bicycles to get to work, and college, to be able to leave their bikes for the full day, without unnecessary exposure to the weather.

Each cyclist on the road is one less car on the road, which reduces traffic congestion, air pollution, and noise pollution in Galway City. It is vital therefore that Galway City Council

takes every necessary step to make our streets safe to cycle for all without risk of injury by a motorist.

GLWC-C5-21

Rosshill Roscam Residents Association

Summary

A.162 – Alber developments / Fig 11.13 Roscam P & P – Submission raises ongoing Alber developments judicial review and states that R2 zoning is contrary to policy set out in NPF/RSES promoting compact growth

GLWC-C5-22

Liz Brosnan

Summary

Objection to the proposal to put a road through Merlin Woods.

Reconises exit difficulties from the hospital, but cannot understand why a roundabout or traffic light has not previously been proposed. Build a roundabout at the Merlin Hospital Exit, and get public transport infrastructure in place to take people into and out of the city, and across to the Westside.

Destruction of the woodland for a road would be a crime against nature of the most egregious kind. It also goes against policy Galway City Council have signed up to, especially Healthy Galway, and visions for a sustainable future, for public and green transport.

Walking through the woodlands every day is critical for mental health and restorative wellbeing to be in nature. It is the jewel in our environment on the eastside. The woods need greater protection not decimation as a road would lead to.

Merlin Woods estate was left to the people of Galway, and you are stewards of the public amenity and the public good.

There is an incalculable value to the woods for heritage, social and environmental benefits. The vast wildlife in the woods have been documented and recorded by groups such as Friends of Merlin Woods (through citizen science projects) as well as national conservation groups such as Birdwatch Ireland, the Bat Trust and many other conservation projects, also scientists and students from both University of Galway and Atlantic Technological University).

The integrity of the woods ecosystem are already threatened by how they have been broken into segments transversed by existing roads before the significance of this on wildlife may have been understood by road builders.

The community are already dealing with the consequences of over use of the woods through anti-social behaviour and littering, including broken glass bottles, and the proliferation of unofficial tracks.

The woodland is under so much pressure due to it's use by a ever expanding number of visitors. It needs sustainable protection and conservation, not a road building project that will lead to further degradation of the wood life ecosystem.

Consequences on climate breakdown of destroying the carbon sink that is held in the ground by the trees, plants and soil of the woodlands. Nothing can replace the value of the ancient trees that would be destroyed to facilitate faster traffic movement. This is taking a step in the wrong direction utterly. The proposal demonstrates a lack of imagination and resolve to find future-proofed solutions, taking the bigger picture, not just traffic planning, into account.

GLWC-C5-23	Claire Hillery
Summary	
<p>Objects to the inclusion of this Specific Objective on grounds that it clearly contradicts many of the objectives in the CPD and therefore should not be included.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The proposed area for the road is currently zoned as Recreational Amenity (RA) and are 'To provide for and protect recreational uses, open space, amenity uses and natural heritage', including 'Development of buildings of a recreational, cultural or educational nature or car parking areas related to and secondary to the primary use of land/ water body for outdoor recreation'. (section 11.2.2 of CDP) Placing a bus corridor through these lands does not meet any of the above development objectives. The council are not following the zoning they ascribed the land and are failing to follow their own development plans. <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Chapter 5 of the plan states on numerous occasions that Merlin Park Woods plays an important role in providing green spaces across Galway City. Merlin Park Woods is noted as being one of three City Parks, with the Primary Purpose of these parks being (per Table 5.2) '<i>Large scale open spaces for passive and active recreation, wildlife conservation and education</i>'. <ol style="list-style-type: none"> b. Policy 5.1 repeatedly requires the council to support sustainable use and management of these areas. This development plan objective will be negatively impacted if construction of a wide transport corridor is allowed, which will fragment the South Woods from the meadow. The proposed road corridor is to be located between the South Woods and the most biodiverse part of the woodland, which will very negatively affect the wildlife living in the adjacent woodland. Again, the City Council is failing to meet a key City Development Plan objective in granting permission to build a road on these lands. c. Section 5.6.1 specifically states 'The Council will, where possible, protect trees, woodlands and hedgerows of special amenity or environmental value. The Council will work with stakeholders such as the Friends of Merlin Woods and the Terryland Forest Park committee to protect and enhance these valuable amenities within the city.' By including this road in the CDP the Council are, again, failing to meet their development plan objective. Trees will be destroyed and working with FOMW to protect and enhance the woods will not be achieved. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The proposed BusConnects corridor along the length of the Dublin Road does NOT have, in its proposals, a bus corridor through Merlin Woods https://www.bcgdublinroad.ie/ • The BusConnects proposal makes good use of the current entrance, placing traffic lights and pedestrian crossings at the current entrance, allowing people access the entrance of the hospital as well as allowing buses to travel in and out safely. • There is no reference or mention of introducing an entrance at the Galway Crystal junction. I am baffled as to why this road is being included if the current BusConnects, which I assume is the Galway Bus Strategy, does not require this entrance. 	

GLWC-C5-24	Fáilte Ireland
Summary	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Requests to include a specific strategic goal “Acknowledging the vital importance of the tourism sector to economic development, continue to encourage and promote the sustainable development of a range of quality tourism facilities, attractions and accommodation types in Galway City. (A35?) • Insert objective to prioritise a signage and wayfinding review for the Wild Atlantic Way around the city . (A103?) • Insert objective to work in collaboration with Fáilte Ireland to ensure continued maintenance of discovery points and ensure access routes are maintained for all users. <p>Have greater integration in the development plan of the ‘<i>Wild Atlantic Way</i>’ identification and branding is. Include a specific objective aligning with, supporting and promoting this initiative is also included.</p>	
GLWC-C5-25	Cllr. Martina O'Connor
Summary	
<p>Leaving in the City Development plan the option for the possibility of two Dublin Road entrances to Merlin Park allows too much risk to the sensitive habitats onsite. Contravenes section 5.6.1 urban trees and green areas of the plan, which specifically outlines the plans commitment to protecting and enhancement of such areas.</p>	
GLWC-C5-26	Conor Dowd
Summary	
<p>Urges Galway City Council to remove the specific objective for an access route and bus corridor through Merlin Woods where Merlin park hospital lies within it, in accordance with section 5.6.1. of the draft Galway City Development plan.</p>	
GLWC-C5-27	Eleanor Hough
Summary	
<p>Objects to the inclusion of this Specific Objective on grounds that it clearly contradicts many of the objectives in the CPD and therefore should not be included.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The proposed area for the road is currently zoned as Recreational Amenity (RA) and are ‘To provide for and protect recreational uses, open space, amenity uses and natural heritage’, including ‘Development of buildings of a recreational, cultural or educational nature or car parking areas related to and secondary to the primary use of land/ water body for outdoor recreation’. (section 11.2.2 of CDP) Placing a bus corridor through these lands does not meet any of the above development objectives. The council are not following the zoning they ascribed the land and are failing to follow their own development plans. <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Chapter 5 of the plan states on numerous occasions that Merlin Park Woods plays an important role in providing green spaces across Galway City. Merlin Park Woods is noted as being one of three City Parks, with the Primary Purpose of these parks being (per Table 5.2) ‘<i>Large scale open spaces for passive and active recreation, wildlife conservation and education</i>’. b. Policy 5.1 repeatedly requires the council to support sustainable use and management of these areas. This development plan objective will be 	

<p>negatively impacted if construction of a wide transport corridor is allowed, which will fragment the South Woods from the meadow. The proposed road corridor is to be located between the South Woods and the most biodiverse part of the woodland, which will very negatively affect the wildlife living in the adjacent woodland. Again, the City Council is failing to meet a key City Development Plan objective in granting permission to build a road on these lands.</p> <p>c. Section 5.6.1 specifically states 'The Council will, where possible, protect trees, woodlands and hedgerows of special amenity or environmental value. The Council will work with stakeholders such as the Friends of Merlin Woods and the Terryland Forest Park committee to protect and enhance these valuable amenities within the city.' By including this road in the CDP the Council are, again, failing to meet their development plan objective. Trees will be destroyed and working with FOMW to protect and enhance the woods will not be achieved.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The proposed BusConnects corridor along the length of the Dublin Road does NOT have, in its proposals, a bus corridor through Merlin Woods https://www.bcgdublinroad.ie/ • The BusConnects proposal makes good use of the current entrance, placing traffic lights and pedestrian crossings at the current entrance, allowing people access the entrance of the hospital as well as allowing buses to travel in and out safely. • There is no reference or mention of introducing an entrance at the Galway Crystal junction. I am baffled as to why this road is being included if the current BusConnects, which I assume is the Galway Bus Strategy, does not require this entrance. 	
GLWC-C5-28	University of Galway
Summary	
<p>This submission requests that any references to the University within the forthcoming Galway City Development Plan 2023 –2029, should refer to the institution as the 'University of Galway' and that the official name should not be abbreviated.</p>	
GLWC-C5-29	Alber Developments
Summary	
<p>Request that proposed material alterations are not adopted and instead take into account previous submission to Draft plan</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The plot ratio attached Rosshill/Roscam Pitch and Putt of 0.2:1 is at odds with national and regional policy and inspectors report of the adjoining SHD (ABP ref: 310797-21). Plot ratio should be amended to 0.4:1 to ensure density of 36 units/ha. 	
GLWC-C5-30	Brendan Smith
Summary	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • On behalf of the members of the recently formed "Save the Sandyvale Green' action group comprised of local residents we strongly object to the material alteration labelled A9 of the Galway City Development Plan to allow a road to be constructed through our estate's park which we know will destroy the quality of life of residents of Sandyvale Lawn. • It will take away from us our own little park that is used by local children to play on, by families to picnic on and that we share with rabbits, pollinators and birds. 	

- It would be unethical for the council to take away our 'Sandy Green' which as far as we are concerned the first residents in the estate paid for through a recreational/green levy when they bought their houses over forty years ago.
- Quality of life of all residents in our estate should not be sacrificed to allow access to one house that is outside our estate. This house already has direct access from the new junction facilitated by a filter light that causes no delays for the few cars that enter it.
- There were proposals in the early 2000s by the owners of this house on the Headford Road to construct a road through our green space to access a proposed planned development of multi-story apartment blocks comprising circa forty apartments. We actively campaigned against this proposal on two separate planning applications during this period on the basis that it would destroy the safety and identity of our estate of just over 100 houses and reintroduce to the city what even then had become a discredited phenomena of 'urban sprawl', namely building interconnected housing estates that became characterised by internal roads populated by transient cars, 'rat runs', traffic gridlock and undermining the possibility of developing a local community spirit amongst residents.
- If the council vote to accept this material alteration, it may well be a matter of time before another application for multiple housing development will once again be lodged. The result will be that our estate will become swamped with vehicles as well as having traffic tailbacks into and out of Sandyvale Lawn that will continue onto the nearby traffic lights on the Headford Road, creating even further problems at the new junction.
- Previous councils realised the merits of our case and voted against plans for a road through Sandyvale. We hope that the present councillors will do likewise. It must be pointed out too that local residents are not NIMBYS ("not in my back yard") and have collectively recognised the need for more accommodation in the city to support a growing population and have taken an active part to particularly support the building of accommodation for the most vulnerable. It was residents of Sandyvale that first approached Galway Corporation in 1999 to construct what is now the lovely social housing estate of Suan.
- Destroying our 'neighbourhood green' by council creates a dangerous precedent for all neighbourhood greens across city.
- The Sandy Green is an integral part of the Terryland Forest Park and has been that way since this public park was first zoned in 1996. Terryland, that was labelled the 'Lungs of the City' by city council in 2000, was established as Ireland's largest urban native woodland and it only came into existence because of a unique progressive visionary partnership formed at the time between the local council and residents of Sandyvale and neighbouring estates.
- It defies logic that in a time of Climate Change and Biodiversity Loss the present council could ignore the ethos behind UN, EU and National Government legislation by proposing to construct a road for cars through a park that serves as a wildlife sanctuary and 'carbon sink' as a result of the active involvement over the years of

<p>thousands of Galwegians planting trees and wildflowers leading to a mosaic of habitats for threatened wildlife in the process.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To undertake this road development and destroy a wildflower meadow and community park within Terryland Forest Park is an insult to the volunteering spirit of our citizenry over the decades. • We are hopeful that the councillors will realise the negative consequences of this rezoning and vote against it. 	
GLWC-C5-31	John Cahill
Summary	
<p>Forrest park should be preserved for the public in Galway and shouldn't be developed on, as it will be one of the only parks near the city center for future use.</p> <p>This unnecessary development in Sandyvale Lawn will take away a prime location for outdoor activities and walking and turn a quiet area to enjoy activities into a development sight. This area should be preserved for future generations to enjoy as galway city center becomes more developed and chaotic as a place for future generations to enjoy.</p> <p>There are many other alterntaive locations that could be developed instead of taking away Terryland Park from future generations. Arguably you could say that it's only a small part of the park but if exceptions are made once it will only become the first of many.</p>	
GLWC-C5-32	Karen McNally
Summary	
<p>Further subdiving some of the only quality native woodland and cutting it off from the meadows undermines any effort you are claiming to care about biodiversity. This is one of the only green spaces of its type in Galway and should be encouraged and grown not cut into for an additional entrance that will have sporadic use and only add to traffic issues in the area. More roads won't solve traffic issues fewer cars will.</p>	
GLWC-C5-33	Mairead Millane
Summary	
<p>Object to the above proposals. Sandyvale is a quiet estate and does not need a new road to accommodate one house which is not part of the estate and already has their own private entrance to their property.</p> <p>We do not want extra traffic through our estate.</p> <p>This property is already provided with a yellow box and sensored traffic lights to give easy access to their house.</p> <p>This green area is used by all residents, both young and old for the past 40 years and we do not want to lose precious green areas in our estate.</p> <p>One households wishes should not be accommodated before the needs of 105 houses in an estate.</p>	
GLWC-C5-34	Jenny Flanagan
Summary	

Objects to a road being put through green area in sandyvale/terryland forest Park. This would just be to accommodate one family. There have already been changes to the new junction on the headford road to accomodate them.

Concerns that their estate will become a rat run like tireallen and ballinfoile, and residential property will follow, creating even more traffic and taking away more of the green we so badly need.

As a mother of two children we use this Park and Green space weekly and sometimes daily. The green area is also full of wildlife.

GLWC-C5-35

Sinéad O'Donnell

Summary

Objects to the proposed rezoning of land from RA to R to allow an entrance to site through Sandyvale Lawn and Terryland Forest Park. This proposed plan would have dire consequences for the area, as the estate would become a throughway for the overflow of traffic. The Headford road cannot cope with the volume already.

Terryland Forest Park, is one of the few green spaces left in the city. It is utilised daily by hundreds of people from the surrounding residential areas and local schools. It is a safe place for children to play as there is no potential for traffic. This safe place for our precious children and residents would be greatly compromised by the proposed rezoning.

GLWC-C5-36

Ruth Enright

Summary

Objects to proposed rezoning of land from RA to R at Headford Road and Sandyvale Lawn to allow entrance to site through Sandyvale Lawn.

The current green space is a much cherished amenity in the local area. In alignment with the primary purpose of recreational open spaces, the current green space provides for general amenity, biodiversity, passive and active recreation in particular children's play.

It is a highly appreciated and valued open space used by the local community for walking, exercising family pets, meeting and chatting with neighbours, and as a green haven to relax, refresh and connect with the natural world after long days of office work.

It also appears that space next to the green area that is currently used for parking, including by people with low mobility when accessing the park would be replaced with a site entrance, excluding these more vulnerable people from access to the park amenity.

Adding a site entrance into Sandyvale Lawn would negatively impact the quiet, established community at Sandyvale Lawn by increasing traffic, noise and disruption which would increase risk to local children who are frequently seen playing throughout the area.

Available alternatives, such as the existing access point to Headford Road which includes its own traffic light, should be used rather than removing a valued and valuable green space from the local community.

GLWC-C5-37

PASCHAL RYAN

Summary

Objects of rezoning land from RA to R to allow for an entrance to site through Sandyvale Lawn and Terryland Forest park on the grounds of 1) No to more traffic 2) Unsafe for Children and 3) Destroying our Park

GLWC-C5-38

Emily Terejko

Summary

Objects to the A9- Proposed Rezoning of Land from RA to R to allow entrance to the site through Sandyvale Lawn and Terryland Forest Park.

Such amendments to the area would destroy an invaluable green space created by the community, for the community. The pandemic reminded us of the importance of such spaces for our physical and mental well being. It is a precious amenity to not only the residents of Sandyvale Lawn but to many visitors of the area.

It would disrupt and destroy the natural habitats of all wildlife surrounding the Terryland Forest Park which we should be vigilantly protecting.

The existing estate should not be used as a corridor for a sole private dwelling that has already been more than accommodated for with its own exclusive access/traffic light system in the newly constructed Kirwan Junction. To do so would destroy all privacy and sense of community within our quiet estate.

We have lost enough of our “Green Lungs for Galway City” with the recent construction of the traffic junction and should not be expected to lose more at the request of a single residence.

GLWC-C5-39

Shaun O'Donnell

Summary

Objects to the proposed rezoning of land from RA to R allowing entrance to site through Sandyvale Lawn and Terryland Forest Park as a resident of Sandyvale Lawn, and as a father of two small children, who both enjoy the wonderful amenity that is Terryland Forest Park on a daily basis.

The rezoning would eradicate the peaceful, harmonious, and tranquil nature of our estate and wonderful Forest Park.

Green spaces are the lungs of Galway City, and with the amount of vehicles using our road networks, these green spaces are more important than ever.

Terryland Forest Park is used by residents of Sandyvale Lawn, the wider community, and by many local schools as a place of leisure; for walking, jogging and having fun with families on a daily basis.

Sandyvale Lawn would become a throughway for large volumes of speeding traffic, trying to escape the already congested Headford Road.

Should this proposal go ahead, then Sandyvale Lawn would no longer be a safe place for all our residents to freely move around.

Should this rezoning of land be allowed to happen, it would only spell the beginning of the end for Sandyvale Lawn and Terryland Forest Park. Where, and when would the next

rezoning be? Our wonderful estate and green space would be lost, and all it's character and our amenities would be lost forever.

GLWC-C5-40

Save Roscam Peninsula

Summary

A1

Omit alteration to introduce R2 zoning objective as it is contrary to

- national and regional planning policy including NSO 1; NPO 3(b); NPO 62; NPO 54; RPO3.2.
- Section 19(2)(n) of the planning and development Act
- OPR recommendation 5

Introduction of R2 Land Use Zones and Zoning Objectives (Table 11.1), by Material Alteration A.1, creates conflicting objectives in the draft plan with Policy 1.2 (National and Regional Framework), Policy 1.4 (Core Strategy) Policy 3.1 (Housing Strategy), Policy 3.3(Sustainable Neighbourhood Concept), and Policy 5. 2 (Protected Spaces: Sites of European, National and Local Ecological Importance).

Conflicting objectives in the plan may be exploited/relied upon by developers to apply for a material alteration to the plan to increase density in R2 Low Density Residential Areas at the time of an application for higher density, on the basis that there are conflicting objectives in the plan which renders the plan inconsistent and/or the plan does not align with statutory national planning guidelines.

A.4

Omit rezoning as contrary to Policies 1.2, 1.4, 3.1, 3.3 and 5.2 of the draft plan – specifically the Retail strategy – and the Sustainable Neighbourhoods Areas development strategy adopted in the draft plan given the existing lack of services (main drainage and transport), the Habitats Directive, the EU (Birds and Natural Habitats) 2011 Regulations (2011 Regulations), NSO 1 and Policies NPO 3(b), NPO 62 and NPO 54 of the NPF, Policy RPO 3.2 of the RSES, s 19(2)(n) of the Act and Recommendation 5 of the OPR on compact growth

- No reasons have been provided by the elected members

A.8

Rezoning site is contrary to national and regional planning policy and policy is set out in the draft development plan.

No justification has been provided by the elected members for rezoning decision contrary to CE recommendation.

Lands are contiguous to the existing built up footprint of the city but are not serviced by water, wastewater or public transport and proximity to amenities.

Future development should be contingent on delivery of the Galway Transport Strategy

A.11

Rezoning site is contrary to national and regional planning policy and policy is set out in the draft development plan.

No justification has been provided by the elected members for rezoning decision contrary to CE recommendation.

This RA land is adjacent to the Merlin Park meadow and woodlands. It is classified as being in an area contributing / which forms part of 2 no. important ecological networks and are currently used for passive recreation and amenity.

Access and exit to the land from the R338 may pose a road safety risk, which should be considered, prior to rezoning it R.

A.15

Rezoning site is contrary to national and regional planning policy and policy is set out in the draft development plan and OPR recommendation 5.

No need to rezone site as existing A zoning provides for limited residential development for immediate members of families of persons who are householders and residing in the immediate area and to farmers and the immediate members of their families.

Site is not serviced

Site is located in close proximity to the Lough Corrib SAC (Site Code 000297) and the Menlo Mushroom Rocks County Geological Site (CGS).

A.16

Save Roscam state rezoning of this greenfield land (0.75ha) is contrary to Policies 1.2, 1.4, 3.1, 3.3 and 5.2 of the draft plan, the Sustainable Neighbourhoods Areas development strategy adopted in the draft plan given the existing lack of services (main drainage and transport), the Habitats Directive, the 2011 Regulations, NSO 1 and Policies NPO 3(b), NPO 62 and NPO 54 of the NPF, Policy RPO 3.2 of the RSES, s 19(2)(n) of the Act and Recommendation 5(ii) of the OPR on compact growth

No justification has been provided by the elected members for rezoning decision contrary to CE recommendation.

No need to rezone site as existing A zoning provides for limited residential development for immediate members of families of persons who are householders and residing in the immediate area and to farmers and the immediate members of their families

Site is not serviced

A.17

Rezoning of this greenfield lands (4.185ha) from A to R2 de facto constitute an extensive sprawling of the existing footprint of the city and as such is contrary to Policies 1.2, 1.4, 3.1 and 3.3 of the draft plan, the Sustainable Neighbourhoods Areas development strategy adopted in the draft plan given the existing lack of services and infrastructure (amenities, main drainage and transport), NSO 1 and Policies NPO 3(b), NPO 62 and NPO 54 of the NPF of the NPF, Policy RPO 3.2 of the RSES, s 19(2)(n) of the Act and Recommendation 5 of the OPR on compact growth

Rezoning lands will contribute to extension/sprawl of existing built up footprint of the city

Area not serviced by public transport.

A.18

Rezoning of this greenfield lands (4.185ha) from A to R2 de facto constitute an extensive sprawling of the existing footprint of the city and as such is contrary to Policies 1.2, 1.4, 3.1 and 3.3 of the draft plan, the Sustainable Neighbourhoods Areas development strategy adopted in the draft plan given the existing lack of services and infrastructure (amenities,

main drainage and transport), NSO 1 and Policies NPO 3(b), NPO 62 and NPO 54 of the NPF of the NPF, Policy RPO 3.2 of the RSES, s 19(2)(n) of the Act and Recommendation 5 of the OPR on compact growth

Area not serviced by public transport.

A.19

Rezoning of this greenfield land (1.011ha) is contrary to Policies 1.2, 1.4, 3.1, 3.3 and 5.2 of the draft plan, the Sustainable Neighbourhoods Areas development strategy adopted in the draft plan given the existing lack of services (main drainage and transport), the Habitats Directive, the 2011 Regulations, NSO 1 and Policies NPO 3(b), NPO 62 and NPO 54 of the NPF, Policy RPO 3.2 of the RSES, s 19(2)(n) of the Act and Recommendation 5 of the OPR on compact growth

No justification has been provided by the elected members for rezoning decision contrary to CE recommendation.

Rezoning of this greenfield land will result in an extension/sprawl beyond the existing build up footprint of Menlo Village, and negatively affect its unique rural character

A.20

Rezoning of this greenfield land (1.011ha) is contrary to Policies 1.2, 1.4, 3.1, 3.3 and 5.2 of the draft plan, the Sustainable Neighbourhoods Areas development strategy adopted in the draft plan given the existing lack of services (main drainage and transport), the Habitats Directive, the 2011 Regulations, NSO 1 and Policies NPO 3(b), NPO 62 and NPO 54 of the NPF, Policy RPO 3.2 of the RSES, s 19(2)(n) of the Act and Recommendation 5 of the OPR on compact growth.

No justification has been provided by the elected members for rezoning decision contrary to CE recommendation.

G (area of rural character with an important landscape and aesthetic value), which contains its own objectives and criteria in respect to rural housing.

A.21

Rezoning of this greenfield land (1.67ha) is contrary to Policies 1.2, 1.4, 3.1, 3.3, 5.1, 5.2, and 5.7 of the draft plan, Sustainable Neighbourhoods Areas development strategy adopted in the draft plan given the existing lack of services an infrastructure (main drainage and transport), the Habitats and Birds Directive, the 2011 Regulations, the Water Framework Directive and the Urban Waste Water Directive, NSO 1 and Policies NPO 3(b), NPO 62 and NPO 54 of the NPF, Policy RPO 3.2 of the RSES, s 19(2)(n) of the Act and Recommendation 5(iii) of the OPR on compact growth

No justification has been provided by the elected members for rezoning decision contrary to CE recommendation.

A.22

- No justification has been provided by the elected members for rezoning decision contrary to CE recommendation.
- Removal of the specific objective will impact the visual integrity of Roscam Tower which is deemed part of preservation of the monument.

A.23

- rezoning of this greenfield land (0.97ha) is contrary to Policies 1.2, 1.4, 3.1, 3.3, 5.1 and 5.2 of the draft plan, the Sustainable Neighbourhoods Areas development

strategy adopted in the draft plan given the existing lack of services (main drainage and transport), the Habitats and Birds Directives, the 2011 Regulations, NSO 1 and Policies NPO 3(b), NPO 62 , NPO 54 of the NPF, Policy RPO 3.2 of the RSES, s 19(2)(n) of the Act and Recommendation 5 of the OPR on compact growth

No justification has been provided by the elected members for rezoning decision contrary to CE recommendation.

G (area of rural character with an important landscape and aesthetic value), which contains its own objectives and criteria in respect to rural housing.

Site is not serviced

A.24

rezoning of this greenfield land (0.160ha) is contrary to Policies 1.2, 1.4, 3.1, 3.3, 5.1 and 5.2 of the draft plan, the Sustainable Neighbourhoods Areas development strategy adopted in the draft plan given the existing lack of services (main drainage and transport), the Habitats and Birds Directives, the 2011 Regulations, NSO 1 and Policies NPO 3(b), NPO 62 and NOP 54 of the NPF, Policy RPO 3.2 of the RSES, s 19(2)(n) of the Act and Recommendation 5 of the OPR on compact growth

No justification has been provided by the elected members for rezoning decision contrary to CE recommendation

G zoning contains objectives and criteria in respect to rural housing.

A.31

Material alteration does not specify the nature of the specific development objective, area in ha or outline the site boundary that is the subject of the specific development objective.

Material alteration is contrary to Policies 1.4 and 6.11 of the draft plan concerning Retail strategy.

No justification has been provided by the elected members for rezoning decision contrary to CE recommendation

Area already provides for local retail

A.32

Material alteration is contrary to Policies 1.2, 1.4, 3.2, 3.3, 3.8 and 5.2 of the draft plan, the Sustainable Neighbourhoods Areas development strategy adopted in the draft plan given the existing lack of services (main drainage and transport), the Habitats and Birds Directives, the 2011 Regulations, the Water Framework Directive and the Urban Waste Water Directive, NSO 1 and Policies NPO 3(b), NPO 62 and NOP 54 of the NPF, Policy RPO 3.2 of the RSES, s 19(2)(n) of the Act and Recommendation 5 of the OPR on compact growth

material alteration is contrary to R2 zoning objectives

No justification has been provided by the elected members for rezoning decision contrary to CE recommendation

A.33

Removing the protected view (V.6) to facilitate development in an un-serviced area zoned A of a greenfield land, outside the existing build up foot print of the City is contrary to Policies 1.2, 1.4, 3.1, 3.3, 5.1 and 5.2 of the draft plan, the Sustainable Neighbourhoods Areas development strategy adopted in the draft plan given the existing lack of services (main drainage and transport), the Habitats and Birds Directives, the 2011 Regulations, NSO 1 and

Policies NPO 3(b), NPO 62 and NPO 54 of the NPF, Policy RPO 3.2 of the RSES, s 19(2)(n) of the Act and Recommendation 5 of the OPR on compact growth

A.37

Material Alteration fails to take into account the following:

Galway is one of the slowest growing local authorities in the country, population growth between 2016 and 2022 was only 3,522. Local Authority continues to significantly overestimate the likely future growth of the city based on 2022 census population assumptions utilised in HNDA modelling are not in accordance with most recent census figures.

No justification for the inclusion of a so called "headroom" given the over-zoning which has occurred for each of the last three development plans, and which the OPR refers to in its submission (p. 6) -based on a population increase of 3522 and an average of 2.5 persons per unit, this equates to 1408 units for the population growth 2016 to 2022, which is a quarter of the amount proposed in the draft plan

Use of R2 low density development undermines the 50% target for compact development within the city,

R2 zoning and zoning objectives is contrary to the intent of the OPR's Recommendation 5 and makes no material contribution to what is an already excessive level of zoning within the City.

A.52

Omit material alteration as is contrary to Policies 1.2, 1.4, 3.1, 3.3, 5.1 and 5.2 of the draft plan, the Sustainable Neighbourhoods Areas development strategy adopted in the draft plan given the existing lack of services (main drainage and transport), the Habitats and Birds Directives, the 2011 Regulations, NSO 1 and Policies NPO 3(b), NPO 62 and NPO 54 of the NPF, Policy RPO 3.2 of the RSES, s 19(2)(n) of the Act and Recommendation 5 of the OPR on compact growth.

A.53

Omit material alteration as lands Zoned A and G areas in the draft plan contain their own objectives and criteria with respect to lands situated at the outskirts of the City, outside the existing build-up footprint in areas of high environmental vulnerability, which allow for development that will not detract from the character of the area, on a case by case basis.

A.89

Save Roscam state that 'indicative coastal greenway route between Ballyloughnane and the Eastern city boundary' is prejudicial to the consultation process and should be removed from the draft plan

"An informal walking greenway route" by definition has no formal standing and should be removed from the draft plan. An "informal walking greenway route" risks compromising the conservative objectives and the integrity of the no 2 European Sites by potentially bypassing the Environment Impact Assessment and Appropriate Assessment required by the relevant Directives, domestic legislation and regulations. It should be removed.

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A.161

Save Roscam calls for omission of material alteration as it fails to give effect to intent of OPR recommendation regarding LDR zoned land and fails to comply with national and regional planning policy.

A.162

Save Roscam calls for omission of material alteration as it fails to give effect to intent of OPR recommendation regarding LDR zoned land and fails to comply with national and regional planning policy.

The deletions/omissions of the listed Figures and zoning objectives (is not in accordance with the intent of the OPR Recommendation 5(iii) with regard to Low Density Residential Zoning Objectives. In the context of the Recommendation concerning compact development, it is clear that the OPR meant that these lands should be de-zoned for the reasons stated in its submission. The text of the OPR Recommendation 5.

Local or farming families on the Roscam Peninsula can apply for development for family members under G and A zoning as provided in the plan which does not necessitate rezoning to R/R2

Lands are unserviced

Figure 11.13 LDR Roscam Pitch and Putt - No justification has been provided by the elected members for rezoning decision contrary to CE recommendation

A.165 and A.166

Omit 'generally' as wording introduces a degree of discretion, which has the potential to introduce elements of arbitrariness in the decision-making process when assessing planning application

GLWC-C5-41

Irish Water

Summary

A3, A6, A7, A8, A8, A9, A11, A12 An extension and/ or upgrade may be required to service these sites. Where network reinforcements such as upgrades or extensions are required, these shall be developer driven unless there are committed IW projects in place to progress such works.

A7, A8, A11, A12 Third-party agreement will be required where it is proposed to service a new development via private property or private water services infrastructure

A17, A25 Where Irish Water assets are within a proposed development site, these assets must be protected or diverted

A11 site is located adjacent to Merlin Park WWPS No.3, any proposed development must have regard to Irish Water Standards and Codes of Practise, in particular, the minimum distances between properties and pumping stations as set out in IW-CDS-5030-03.

A184 Ardaun Investment is programmed in the current investment plan period to address the water services needs in Ardaun and a wastewater project to service development within Phase 1 of the Ardaun Local Area Plan (LAP) area is at the detailed design stage. Within the Tiered Approach to Land Zoning table for Ardaun (for the Draft Plan period), Irish water suggests replacing 'Requires Investment' with 'Ongoing implementation of IW projects'.

A7, A11, A12. Capacity for development of these sites and the wider catchment are extremely limited until the completion of the new wastewater storage tank at Merlin Park No.1 WWPS with construction expected to commence at the end of 2023.

A4, A15, A16, A17, A18, A19, A20, A21, A23, A24, A32, A.162 (part)- these sites are not serviced by public water and/or wastewater networks. Development should be focussed into serviced areas to offset any impact on environmental sensitivities such as drinking water. Alternative solutions such as private wells or wastewater treatment plants should not generally be considered.

A21, A23, A32 these sites are unserviced and a pumped rising main and gravity network is required to service this area.

A37 The identification of Strategic Reserve lands on the Land-use zoning map would be beneficial to assist with Irish Water strategic network and investment planning.

A6, A7, A8, A9, A25, A15. The need for additional residential lands is unclear and could compromise the achievement of compact growth objectives, in turn increasing the likelihood that strategic network upgrades will be required.

GLWC-C5-42

Cllr. Martina O'Connor

Summary

Repeat Submission of 25.

GLWC-C5-43

Enda Fallon

Summary

Objects to the proposed rezoning of land through Sandyvale Lawn and Terryland Forest Park.

As a resident of Sandyvale and a member of a number of local community groups, we use this green on a very regular basis. This includes people using this space for their physical and mental well being to children completing their sports day events in our local school, to a number of different species of wildlife who use this as their nature corridor. This area is used not only by residents of Sandyvale but people all over Terryland, Menlo, Castlegar and Ballinfoyle.

Giving such access through an estate with a very diverse population, when there is already sufficient access through the Kirwan junction would be detrimental and I strongly object against any such accommodation.

GLWC-C5-44

Cairn PLC

Summary

Landowner is supportive of this alteration.

Rezoning will provide an opportunity to assist in reaching the targeted population growth in the city in a sustainable manner.

Cites a review of the ERSI housing supply targets methodology and states that reduction in household size, increases of one and two person households and increased levels of immigration post covid means that an additional annual build over and above that envisaged will be required.

GLWC-C5-45	Department of Education
Summary	
<p>With respect to A 37 and the refined details on the core strategy the DE recognise that the reduced housing targets could impact on future DE estimated education requirements. Notwithstanding the clarity on the likely delivery of housing in Ardaun up to 2028 the DE reiterate their demand for school place requirements in Arduan has not changed.</p> <p>The DE notes the estimated average occupancy applied to future housing is marginally less than the last (2016) average but note this is unlikely to impact the estimated demand for future school places as outlined in their April 22 submission.</p> <p>With respect to A2, the DE welcome the reversal of the zoning on the site at Mercy Convent Newtownsmith back to CF which includes for education.</p>	
GLWC-C5-46	Ann Fallon
Summary	
<p>Objects to the A9-Proposed Rezoning of Land from RA to R to allow entrance to the site through Sandyvale Lawn and Terryland Forrest Park.</p> <p>As a resident of Sandyvale for over 30 years, I have seen the use of our local green area for many people across our local community area, Terryland, Balinfoyle, Castlegar and Liosban, to name a few, as well as wildlife.</p> <p>Accommodating such access through Sandyvale where there are people who are young, old and everything in between would have such a negative impact on the quality of life of all users of Terryland forest park and the residents.</p> <p>This area should not be sacrificed to allow access to one house outside our estate that already has very safe measures to facilitate an entrance and exit through the Kirwan roundabout.</p>	
GLWC-C5-47	Stephen Troake
Summary	
<p>Concern that a new entrance and road are planned to go through woodland to the east and southeast of MPUH. The map should be updated to show the mature woodland to the south of the existing road as per attached images. Specific Objective for the access and bus route at MPUH should be removed. Section 5.6.1 Urban Woodland Parks and Trees is quoted.</p> <p>5.6.1 Urban Woodland Parks and Trees</p> <p><i>Urban woodland parks and trees are important recreational amenities and natural features in the city. These natural assets contribute to the health and wellbeing of the community. Woodland and trees enhance the aesthetic quality of the landscape, provide valuable habitats for wildlife, contribute to carbon capture and storage, improve air quality and reduce the impact of noise. Woodlands, trees, stands of trees, and hedgerows form important ecological corridors and stepping stones enhancing biodiversity in the urban environment and need to be valued and protected. The Council will, where possible, protect trees, woodlands and hedgerows of special amenity or environmental value. The Council will work with stakeholders such as the Friends of Merlin Woods and the Terryland Forest Park committee to protect and enhance these valuable amenities within the city.</i></p> <p>The new road necessitated by the modified bus route would destroy many mature trees, which are part of a much needed natural feature. I feel that instead modifying the existing</p>	

entrance and junction would improve bus access to the site while causing little ecological damage.

GLWC-C5-48

Michael Tully

Summary

Landowner is supportive of removal of protected view

Landowner is supportive of this objective.

Lands are well serviced and located in key area, within close proximity to the city, nearby Business parks and other residential areas

GLWC-C5-49

Anne Gaughan

Summary

Objections to the proposed plan to put a bus corridor through Merlin woods and meadows. The plan and map 'to Correct Mapping of Existing Specific Objective for an ACCESS and BUS ROUTE at Merlin Park Hospital' and it's the same map !!

Remove the existing Specific Objection for an access and bus route through Merlin woodland.

This plan aims to achieve the 'Concept of a 15 minute City' where land use policies facilitate residents to access their daily needs within a 15 minute walk or bike ride and thereby reduce the dependence on car transport. Does this mean that the Proposed Mobility Plan for a walk and bike ride for locals is really a fast track for buses to meet your 15 minute city concept?

Merlin woods and wild flower meadows are one of the LAST Green Urban Areas of Biodiversity and Conservation in Galway city. Used for outdoor recreation, non profit community gardens and for Cultural and Nature events throughout the year by families and individuals ,to propose Bulldozing a bus route through this precious area is nothing short of scandalous.

Looking at the map for this, the route will impact on both the woods and wild flower meadows, it starts from Doughiska road cutting through part of the woods and the meadows opposite Galway Crystal, well before the Merlin Hospital main entrance.

There is ample room for cycle paths and bus corridors at the existing junction at Merlin hospital on the Dublin road.

This route will have a devastating effect on the future of the woodlands and meadows.

It will result in loss of habitats resulting in a loss of biological diversity and goes against the climate agenda to protect and preserve our environment.

GLWC-C5-50	John Carrig
Summary	
<p>Highly concerned about the associated environmental assessments (Strategic Environmental Assessment Report, Natura Impact Report part of the report.</p> <p>The importance of Merlin Woods and the wildlife that lives there as it is one of the last remaining areas for Wildlife near the city. We should be protecting these area not killing them.</p> <p>Ojects to any action that will damage or destroy the habitats or kill the wildlife that lives in Merlin Park, and running a road through the center of the park will surely do just that.</p> <p>Building better bus corridors and limiting the amount of cars accessing the city limits is where the moneys should be spent.</p> <p>Provide car parks outside the city where people can park and busses running in from there. Put a fixed free (congestion charge) on any car entering the city limits this is the way we have to go.</p>	
GLWC-C5-51	James Mc Cormack
Summary	
<p>Submission supports the submission made by Rosshill Roscam Residents Association with regard to the Material alterations report.</p>	
GLWC-C5-52	Fiona Mohr
Summary	
<p>Objects to plans to put a road through Merlin woods and meadow. We have so little areas of biodiversity left, it beggars belief that you can't route this road elsewhere. This habitat is irreplaceable, the road should be rerouted.</p>	
GLWC-C5-53	Jane Shimizu
Summary	
<p>Support the submission made by Rosshill Roscam Residents Association with regard to the Material alterations report A161.</p>	
GLWC-C5-54	Joanne O'Donnell
Summary	
<p>As a resident of Sandyvale I wholeheartedly object to the A9 - proposed rezoning of land from RA-R allowing entrance through Sandyvale and Terryland Forest Park.</p> <p>t will create noise, additional traffic that effect living conditions and quality of life.</p> <p>It will effect wildlife habitat, atmosphere of our lovely park and appearance of the landscape and it will negatively effecting the charisma of our neighbourhood.</p>	
GLWC-C5-55	Bridie Folliard
Summary	
<p>As a resident of Sandyvale Lawn, I am strongly objecting to the proposed rezoning of land through Sandyvale Lawn and Terryland Forest Park allowing entrance to a site via Sandyvale Lawn.</p>	

We use this green area on regular basis as do the community and local Primary school and people all over Terryland, Menlo, Castlegar, Ballinfoyle and further afield.

It's very important for physical and mental well being for all in the area as well as for the many species of wildlife who lived in Terryland forest park in Sandyvale lawn.

Increased traffic will impact safety in the estate.

Sufficient access through the Kirwan junction has been provided and I strongly object against entrance via Sandyvale Lawn.

GLWC-C5-56

Mary Godfrey

Summary

Objects to the proposal to rezone lands from Recreation Amenity to Residential at Sandyvale Lawn and Terryland Forest Park on the following grounds:

To do so would be dangerous, discriminatory & disgraceful.

We need to keep our green park for the benefit & wellbeing of all residents, visitors and wildlife.

It was a most valuable lifeline for so many people during the COVID pandemic & that continues to this day and the thought of losing it has been upsetting and worrying to residents and visitors since we became aware of this proposal.

Residents paid for this amenity when we bought our houses and we cannot & will not lose it. We cannot allow a road be bulldozed through our green Sanctuary & Forest Park.

GLWC-C5-57

Labhaoise Hutchinson

Summary

Landowner is supportive of alteration

Development of site will provide an opportunity to assist in reaching the targeted population growth where housing need by immediate family members of the landowner can be demonstrated.

GLWC-C5-58

Mary Ryan

Summary

Objects to proposed rezoning of land from RA-R to allow entrance to site through Sandyvale Lawn & Terryland Forest Park on grounds of 1) disturbance in my estate in Sandyvale Vale Lawns 2) not having peace for the rest of my life 3) no through traffic.

GLWC-C5-59

Galway Race Committee

Summary

- Galway Race Committee supports the proposed alteration

GLWC-C5-60

City Gateway Ltd

Summary

- Landowner is supportive of this alteration.
- Lands are well serviced at a good location without constraints.
- Has capacity to assist in meeting future housing requirements.

GLWC-C5-61	Carmel Conlon
Summary	
<p>Objects to the proposed bus route through Merlin Woods. Merlin Woods and Meadows are a fantastic resource and are one of the remaining Green Urban Areas of Biodiversity and Conservation in Galway city used for outdoor recreation, non profit community gardens and for Cultural and Nature events throughout the year by families and individuals.</p>	
GLWC-C5-62	Department of the Environment, Climate and Communications
Summary	
<p>The Council is commended for seeking to supplement the Draft Plan with a range of proposed material alterations that bolster its climate action ambitions.</p> <p>Amend references to the Climate Action Plan to include and “any revisions thereof”.</p> <p>A43 DCCAE supports material alteration and requests that the text is amended as follows: Potential also exists to examine prepare feasibility studies for low carbon district heating, waste heating recovery and utilisation opportunities within the city particularly in newly designated areas such as Ardaun and in some of the regeneration sites.</p> <p>A39 DCCAE commends the council for its approach to addressing the Circular Economy in the proposed material alterations.</p> <p>A44 DCCAE supports material alteration</p> <p>A136 DCCAE supports material alteration and the council is encouraged to engage directly with the Renewable Electricity Division of this Department in the formulation of any future, more detailed, plans for renewable energy generation of all types (including solar).</p>	
GLWC-C5-63	Ross Tobin
Summary	
<p>Landowner is supportive of this alteration.</p> <p>Lands are well serviced at a good location within the boundary of the N6GCRR and without constraints</p> <p>Has capacity to assist in meeting future housing requirements and could meet the needs of those displaced by the road.</p>	
GLWC-C5-64	Ballybane Library
Summary	
<p>Supports "Friends of Merlin Woods" submission requesting the removal of the existing specific objective for an access and bus route at Merlin Park Woods.</p> <p>Any development that lessens the area of the Merlin Woods would conflict with Section 5.6.1 of the plan, and sets a worrying precedent for future development.</p> <p>Merlin Woods is a fantastic natural resource that has numerous benefits for the residents of East Galway City, as well as providing a haven for wildlife. Woodlands capture carbon, reduce noise pollution and provide valuable corridors for biodiversity.</p>	

The woods are also an important educational tool for the city's residents.	
GLWC-C5-65	Derek Connolly
Summary	
<p>Support for submission made by Rosshill Roscam Residents Association with regard to the Material alterations report: A 21 & A22 Dilleen A32 Proof ridge A 89 Greenway A 161 Alber Pitch and putt</p>	
GLWC-C5-66	Proofridge Ltd,
Summary	
<p>Submission supports A.32 specific objective regarding density on the basis that: The site is essentially a small infill site in the outer suburbs of Galway City, with residential development on adjoining lands to the north, east and west.</p> <p>It is envisaged that it will be feasible to connect the site to sewage infrastructure in the near future as it is in close proximity to large residential developments that are under construction and permitted to the north of the site.</p> <p>This will facilitate the proper and sustainable planning of the area, will ensure the more efficient use of this land and will avoid any issues in relation to public health and proliferation of septic tanks</p> <p>In order to make this connection viable financially, it is requested that a higher density of 12 houses to the Hectare be considered by means of a specific objective to be attached to the subject lands</p> <p>This density will result in development that is keeping with the existing pattern of development in the area and will result in the more efficient and sustainable use of land within the built up area of Galway City</p> <p>The subject site is in close proximity to the facilities and services in Roscam village and Doughiska to the north and Galway City Centre to the west and is close to public transport links to the north (500m walking distance)</p> <p>The proposed inclusion of a specific density objective of 12 units per Ha is in accordance with the Guidelines for Sustainable Residential Development in Urban Areas (Cities, Towns and Villages) DOEHLG 2009 and complies with current OPR recommendations on density</p>	
GLWC-C5-67	McHugh Property Holdings
Summary	
<p>Landowner is supportive of this alteration.</p> <p>Site is suitable for residential development and has capacity for higher density with good accessibility and connectivity.</p>	
GLWC-C5-68	Brian Jordan
Summary	

Objects to the proposed rezoning of land from RA to R to allow an entrance through Sandyvale Lawn and Terryland Forest Park to a private dwelling for the following reasons:

1. The subject green area provides “*Communal Open Space*” to over 100+ residential units. It is a valuable amenity which is enjoyed by the tenants of Sandyvale lawn and the surrounding public providing “*safe, convenient and accessible amenity areas for persons of all abilities regardless of mobility or age*” (11.3.1 (c) **Galway City Council Draft City Development Plan**). Roadworks/development on this green will reduce the limited communal open space and have a negative impact on the residents and public as a whole.
2. “*Urban woodland parks and trees are important recreational amenities and natural features in the city. These natural assets contribute to the health and wellbeing of the community*”. (5.6.1 **Galway City Council Draft City Development Plan**). Terryland forest park is ranked as one of three city parks in The City Council’s Recreation and Amenity Needs Study (RANS) 2008. Development/roadworks on the existing green will further encroach on Terryland Forest Park having an adverse effect on the ecology in the forest. Any such decision would require a detailed environmental and ecological impact assessment of the area.
3. The location of the proposed road appears to conflict with the Map A - Indicative Greenway Cycle Network - DRAFT Development Plan Map 2023-2029. Its possible future public amenities could be impaired by the proposed material alteration.
4. The existing estate is closed and has a close community feel as a result – to open it up via an unwanted access road and/or possible future development will damage the existing community.
5. The subject dwelling has already been provided its sole exclusive access at considerable cost – the possible addition of a second entrance to singular dwelling which is located outside of Sandyvale Lawn & not connected to the public green could be viewed as both uneconomical and inconsiderate. I do not believe the Residents of Sandyvale Lawn (100+ dwellings) & public in general should be penalized of their recreational green area at the request of a single dwelling.

GLWC-C5-70

Damien Hanley

Summary

Landowner is supportive of this alteration.

Alteration would be in accordance with the precedents set through the permissions of a number of dwellings in the immediate surrounds and previous site-specific policies included in current and past City Development Plans relating to the immediate surrounds of this site.

GLWC-C5-71

Electricity Supply Board

Summary

ESB submission supports the following proposed Material Alterations:

- e) A107, A135 ,A136 , A147, A158, A159, and A172

GLWC-C5-72

Tommy Kearns

Summary

Landowners are supportive of this alteration.

Contrary to Irish water assertion, this land has services with existing houses on the land connected to public water and wastewater. All relevant infrastructure for connection to municipal sewers, water mains, surface water drains is in place on the lands.

Do not anticipate any conflict with development of this land and delivery of the N6GCRR. The small encroachment into the road corridor (0.02 ha) can be omitted.

Lands are at a good location and comprise sustainable infill supporting compact growth with access via high quality 10 metre wide road with footpaths and public lighting in place (which also serves Cuirt Cherin).

GLWC-C5-73

Johanna Bolton

Summary

Object to the proposed rezoning of land from RA to R to allow an entrance through Sandyvale Lawn and Terryland Forest Park.

GLWC-C5-74

Aileen Fitzgerald

Summary

Object to the road to be constructed through our Sandyvale Lane's Green area.

Sandyvale Green is part of the Terryland Forest Park and is used by local residents for walks and play area for children of not only Sandyvale but other estates on the the Headford Road.

Unfair to put a road through and estate that has over 100 hundred houses for access for a limited number of external users where there is already access provided.

Construction of a road would destroy the plants and displace the fauna in the area, so close to the city centre and increase traffic/danger and to a quiet estate in which many small children and senior people reside.

GLWC-C5-75

Educena Foundation

Summary

The submission objects to the change in zoning as provided for in **A2** from CC (provided for in draft plan) to CF in MA 2. The submission mistakenly states that the current zoning in 2017-23 CDP is CC. It argues that CC is preferred and that this zoning objective can include for education cultural and community uses. It argues that the CC zoning represents an accurate reflection of the uses that currently are occurring on the site and that this zoning would facilitate the redevelopment, extension, or enhancement of this use in future. The submission also states that given the prime location of the site adjacent to the commercial core of the city it is considered that the CC zoning is preferable.

GLWC-C5-76

Hetty Keane

Summary

Support for submission made by Rosshill Roscam Residents Association with regard to the Material Alterations report:

A 21 & A 22 Dilleen

A 32 Proof Ridge

A 89 Greenway

A 161 Alber Pitch and Putt

GLWC-C5-78	Tuatha of Terryland Forest Park
Summary	
<p>The members of Tuatha of Terryland Forest Park are against the loss of any lands to roads or related built development within the boundaries of Terryland Forest Park.</p> <p>This boundaries of this park were established in the development plan of 1996 and was land put aside to create a wonderful mosaic of habitats and nature-related amenities for the people and biodiversity of Galway city. The concept of this park was first developed in 1995, the year of COP1.</p> <p>In 1999 a special steering committee was set up for the park comprising City Hall, environmentalists, local residents, ecologists, educationalists and artists.</p> <p>Its motto from its opening was "People of Galway, this is your park, take ownership." It was a pioneer in promoting a multi-sectoral partnership including community and local government in the area of parks, the largest urban native tree woodland in Ireland and a flagship for developing ecological corridors, carbon sinks, community engagement, Outdoor Classrooms, Outdoor Labs, Art in Nature, Health in Nature and wildlife sanctuaries initiatives in an urban setting in Ireland.</p> <p>Building a road though its grounds would be against the whole ethos, a betray of thousand of volunteers over the decades and anathema to UN, EU and national government policies on Climate Change, Biodiversity Restoration and Sustainability practices. It also interfere with a proposed Greenway though its lands.</p>	
GLWC-C5-79	Land Development Agency
Summary	
<p>The LDA is supportive of the proposed material alterations in particular those which give support to regeneration and the development of sites such as Sandy Road and Dyke Road.</p> <p>The LDA seeks clarification on whether or not alteration refers to a Pre-Connection Enquiry and if a Pre-Connection Enquiry is required for all quanta of residential development. (A170)</p> <p>The infrastructures assessment in tabulated form would enable a clearer link between phasing and infrastructure. (A184)</p>	
C-C5-80	Maria Mc neela
Summary	
<p>Objects to the proposed road through merlin woods. As a resident in the area, i feel that we need to protect the woodlands and meadows which is rich in biodiversity.</p> <p>This area is the only public meadow remaining on the east side of the city and is needed for exercise,fresh air, metal health and recreation for residents and tourists.</p> <p>Reconsider your proposal to the road going through merlin woods, an area given to the people of galway.</p>	

GLWC-C5-81	An Taisce - Galway Planning Committee
Summary	
<p>A.3 Would contravene existing Protected View status here, as well as possibly adding to Flood risk on Quarry Road, Menlo. Also, development is outside of Menlo Village envelope.</p> <p>A.6 Lands referred to are outside of the reserved route corridor for the N6 GCRR. This development would represent urban sprawl contrary to the objectives of the NPF and RSES. No justification is offered to support this proposed rezoning. There are already sufficient lands zoned to meet the housing supply targets within the plan period and lands should remain zoned for Agriculture.</p> <p>A.10 No justification is offered to support rezoning from Recreation and Amenity (RA) to Residential (R). There are already sufficient lands zoned to meet the housing supply targets within the plan period. Lands should remain zoned RA.</p> <p>A.11 Brings residential development ever closer to the location being reserved for the proposed WWCT, Waste Water Collection Tank. Will likely lead to a new entrance being created to what ever housing development is to come, which should have been included for. Destroys unique woodland and grassland introduction to Galway City.</p> <p>A.12 - rezoning may impact access and future preservation for listed property nearby [no reference provided]</p> <p>A.13 - No logic presented to suggest any residential building this close to major traffic junction on Headford Road is warranted.</p> <p>A.15 - Would contravene existing Protected View status here, as well as possibly adding to Flood risk on Quarry Road, Menlo. Also, development is outside of Menlo Village envelope.</p>	
<p>A16 - The rezoning of these lands is not recommended. Site un-serviced is not on a public transport route and would contridute tocar dependency. Rezoning would run counter to national/regional policy set out in the NPF/RSES which is centred on promoting compact growth supporting the integrated, sequenced, and sustainable development of the city and opportunities for reductions in carbon footprint.</p> <p>A17 - Lands off Circular Road are primarily backlands, with limited access to the Circular Road. The proposed rezoning runs counter to the existing settlement pattern in the area and to the optimal sequencing of development. It represents and uncoordinated piecemeal approach to zoning. These lands are un-serviced with a poor road network. The proposed rezoning in conjunction with other proposals for uncoordinated residential zonings undermine the overall settlement strategy in the Plan</p> <p>A18 - As in A17 above access through existing estate just off Circular Road</p> <p>A19 - Would extend residential development beyond Menlo village envelope. The proposed rezoning in conjunction with other proposals for uncoordinated residential zonings undermine the overall settlement strategy in the plan</p> <p>A20 - Is outside of the map marked Menlo Village envelope. The proposed rezoning in conjunction with other proposals for uncoordinated residential zonings undermine the overall settlement strategy in the plan.</p>	

A21. There is sufficient residential land already zoned in the plan and no justification for additional residential zoned land.

A22. Should not be rezoned to RA thus removing the need to propose removing the protected view.

A23 Sufficient residential land already zoned in the plan. There is no justification for additional residential zoned land. This piecemeal approach to rezone and condition individual sites within zoned blocks is contrary to good planning and development as well as being impractical to monitor and manage.

A23 No justification for additional residential-zoned land as sufficient residential land is already zoned in the plan. Piecemeal approach to rezoning individual sites within zoned blocks is contrary to good planning and sustainable development.

A24 Sufficient residential land already zoned in the plan. There is no justification for additional residential zoned land. This piecemeal approach to rezone and condition individual sites within zoned blocks is contrary to good planning and development as well as being impractical to monitor and manage.

A25 Sufficient residential land already zoned in the plan. There is no justification for additional residential zoned residential land or removal of RA land close to Terryland Forest Park.

A.31 - Location was identified as a possible Park & Ride location as on two bus routes (404, 409).

A. 87 Request to include An Taisce, GCCN and GEN as stakeholders

A.120 Request that this alteration does not cause an increase in the proliferation of signage in the public realm.

A.123 Replace “Undertake” with “Complete”.

A.124 Replace “assessing the best sustainable options” with “identifying the most sustainable options”.

A.125 Canals should be included.

A.130 Maintain universal access for those with impaired mobility.

GLWC-C5-82	Nuala Cosgrove
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Summary	
Support the submissions made by Rosshill Roscam Residents Association with regard to Material Alterations reports A21 & A22 Dilleen A32 Proof ridge A89 Greenway A 161 Alber Pitch and putt	

GLWC-C5-83	Sharon Walsh
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Summary	
Shocked that this road would even be considered. Trees are a vital part of life and the thought that you would cut them down when other options can be explored is an abomination.Please	

consider your plans and do some research into how we can live alongside wildlife, trees and green spaces, as we cannot live without them.

GLWC-C5-84

Brian Reidy

Summary

Please retain the current status and management of the woods and meadows at Merlin. The site is a crucial reservoir of biodiversity in the heart of the city and one of the few examples of such meadows remaining where the grassland has not been improved with fertiliser or reseeded for intensive agriculture in the east of the county.

The site compliments the HSEs policies of Green Health.

It is a huge Carbon reservoir in the undisturbed soils with deep rooting wild herbs and grasses and indeed carbon in the wood of the trees. This lack of disturbance also allows greater storage of carbon in the soils in these types of ecosystems.

The ecosystem services provided by the site also affords flood protection. There is purification of water and air via the plant biochemistry. There is prevention of erosion due to the roots holding the soil in place. Removal of such a habitat/ecosystem services goes against the recommended planning decisions by qualified staff previously.

Entrance to Hospital at Galway Crystal =Access and Bus route=ROAD

- f) A road that will take out hundreds of trees for a proposed bus corridor and access road which will also impact the Orchid Rich meadows. It can only be seen as a land grab for future development of these areas along the Dublin Rd and is a future threat to all of the woodlands and all of the meadows on the Southwood.
- g) **Alternatives** exist- the NTA showed us this on their proposed design ideas for Bus Connects creating a safe access to the hospital at existing entrance where pedestrians cross for shops, Supermacs and the local pub and off licence. We know there is a need for improvements at this junction and we have given many solutions for this in the past and will continue to push for improvements here .
- h) **Please remove existing Specific Objective for an access and bus route at Merlin Park Woods. The City Council give numerous reasons in the Draft Development Plan why it should be protected example below and we also know the value as users and for our local wildlifes future .**
- i) References Section **5.6.1 Urban Woodland Parks and Trees** of the plan and states this should be followed.

GLWC-C5-85

**Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage -
Development Applications Unit**

Summary

The Department submission references to a large extent the previous submission made at the draft development plan stage. Only issues directly related to the proposed material alterations can be considered at this stage of the process. The CE report in relation to the draft plan submissions includes responses to all these issues which were raised previously.

A35 DHLGH welcomes the proposed Material Alteration

A90 DHLGH welcomes the proposed Material Alteration

A125 DHLGH recommends the addition of the terms 'marine' and 'lacustrine' for greater clarity.

A126 DHLGH welcomes the proposed Material Alteration.

A127 DHLGH recommends the addition of the terms 'marine' and 'lacustrine' for greater clarity.

A128 DHLGH welcomes the proposed Material Alteration.

A150 DHLGH welcomes the proposed Material Alteration.

A183 The Department advises that the Framework and Principles for the Protection of the Archaeological Heritage (Government of Ireland 1999) should be added to the list of relevant guidelines.

If development is to be granted on R/R2 rezonings on lands which include natural and semi-natural habitats, such habitats should be incorporated into the landscaping of these sites with an emphasis on maintaining connections and corridors for wildlife.

A4 Due to the scale, use and location of the site it is likely that the current uses of the site (which maybe unauthorised) may meet an indicative threshold and/or criteria for mandatory Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA). The rezoning from an agricultural to a light industry zoning beside a designated Natura 2000 Site and close to Q.I habitats may need to be screened for Appropriate Assessment.

A11 These lands are part of the Merlin Park Grasslands. Hedgerows abounding this site provide an important wildlife corridor for species commuting between habitats south of the Dublin Road and Merlin Woods and Grasslands particularly bat species such as Lesser Horseshoe Bat (*Rhinolophus hipposideros*) and Brown Long-eared Bat (*Plecotus auritus*), and other protected mammals. Wintering wading birds from the nearby Galway Bay SPA are known to forage at times in the surrounding grasslands in this site. Marsh Fritillary (*Euphydryas aurinia*) populations occur in the surrounding grasslands of Merlin Park it is not known if they occur in this particular site. Any change in this sites zoning should be based on scientific assessment of the site.

A78 Proposed bus route appears to cut through mixed broadleaved and conifer woodland part of Merlin Park. Such proposed development maybe contrary to the City Council Policies and Objectives on Natural Heritage and Biodiversity and the draft Merlin Woods Management Plan.

A83 Amend date of the "Flora Protection Order from 2015 to 2022"

A87 The DHLGH should be consulted regarding appropriateness of being added here as a named stakeholder.

A95 DHLGH welcomes the proposed Material Alteration .

A148 Appropriate Assessment, Environmental Impact Assessment Report (EIAR) etc. should be included in this section as the promenade and any future extension plans will directly impact on and have in-combination effects with other plans and projects on Galway Bay SAC and SPA. (Also Linked to A151)

GLWC-C5-86	Friends of Merlin Woods
Summary	
<p>This access will have enormous impact on Merlin Woods and its meadows and should not remain within the Draft Development Plan in a biodiversity crisis or a climate crisis.</p> <p>These spaces are utilised by the community as they are safe havens for walking.</p> <p>Bus connects project showed us how the access at the original entrance could be and there is a lack of consideration for the policy of its own plan for protecting its important habitats.</p> <p>Previous attempts to build here have been stopped because of it but for some reason attempts continue to get this land developed.</p> <p>Attempt at further development of important RA land.</p> <p>We propose this material alteration will be worded as such :<i>A mapping correction is not required but the removal of existing Specific Objective for an access and bus route at Merlin Park Woods due to its destruction of old and important wildlife habitats including Annex habitats within Merlin Park Woods which Merlin Park Hospital is located within. A real effort should be made by all concerned to design proper access solutions at the existing main entrance and bus corridors which has a wide variety of open spaces which hold less valuable amenity land and would not allow widescale environmental destruction of Merlin Woods and habitats.</i></p> <p>There are areas rezoned from LDR to R2 and they must ensure there is no impact here to the Merlin Park Woods woodland and quarry area which has not only environmental features but geological features which must be protected from development which has a negative impact or which may cause fragmentation, loss of habitats or species working with local communities to find solutions Hoping Biodiversity loss is treated as serious as it should be in a crisis.</p>	
GLWC-C5-87	Katie O'Dwyer
Summary	
<p>Supports "Friends of Merlin Woods" in their submission to remove existing Specific Objective for an access and bus route at Merlin Park woods and meadows.</p> <p>Quotes section 5.6.1 of the Draft Development Plan, where the council outlines the benefits of urban woodlands, and states its objective to work with existing stakeholders to protect our urban wooded areas. Developments reducing the area of the Merlin woods and meadows would be misaligned with the support the council expresses for urban woodlands.</p> <p>Merlin woods and meadows is an invaluable green area in a sprawling Galway City and is vital for supporting the communities around it. These natural resources provide a haven for wildlife and a much needed green space in East Galway. The woods and meadows offer a unique opportunity for community groups to encounter nature and support biodiversity. The woods and meadows have provided a valuable living classroom for students I work with at ATU Galway and are a major attraction for civic engagement by those students in the ATU Galway City Environmental Society.</p> <p>Other alternatives to improving the junction at Merlin Park Hospital need to be explored.</p>	

GLWC-C5-88	Mary Walsh
Summary	
Supports the submission to the proposed Material Alterations to the zoning of family lands at Roscam south of the Coast Road - submission number GLWC-C5-6	
GLWC-C5-89	Rowena Lally
Summary	
Stop road through Merlin Woods	
GLWC-C5-90	Glenveagh Living
Summary	
<p>The submission objects to element of the proposed additional wording included for in A144 which relates to the opportunity site at Knocknacarra District Centre (North) Section 10.21. Specifically it argues that adherence to the height and density standards in the Galway City Urban Density and Building Standards (supporting document to the Draft Plan) is in conflict with the NPF;RSES; S.28 Ministerial Guidelines on Apartments & Building Height.</p> <p>The submission states that adherence to such standard will frustrate delivery of the 20% residential floorspace within the District Centre.</p> <p>The submission references and interprets the OPR original submission on the draft plan as having raised concerns between the consistency between the Draft Plan and the Urban & Density Height Study and the aforementioned national policy and S.28 guidelines. In this regard the submission requests that the amendment relating to the Urban Density and Building Height Study be omitted. Alternative text is suggested.</p>	
GLWC-C5-91	Mary Walsh
Summary	
Support the submission to the proposed Material Alterations by the Rosshill Roscam Residents Committee - submission number GLWC-C5-14, GLWC-C5-15, GLWC-C5-16, GLWC-C5-20, GLWC-C5-21.	
GLWC-C5-92	Coastal Action Group
Summary	
<p>The inclusion of the wording "an indicative coastal greenway route between Ballyloughane and the Eastern city boundary" is prejudice to the consultation process for the Dublin - Galway Greenway. Material Alteration also contradicts earlier text in paragraph as no Environmental Impact Assessments have been carried out in the area between Ballyloughane and the Eastern city boundary, an area within and adjacent to, 2 European Sites - Galway Bay SAC and Inner Galway Bay SPA. Reference should be removed from the Draft Galway City Development Plan 2023-2029. reference should be removed from the Draft Galway City Development Plan 2023-2029.</p>	
GLWC-C5-93	Rosshill/Roscam Residents Association
Summary	

The Rosshill Roscam Residents Association would like to support the submission to the proposed Material Alterations to the zoning of family lands at Roscam south of the Coast Road - submission number GLWC-C5-6

GLWC-C5-94

Gerard Smith

Summary

Supports the submission GLWC-C5-6 re the zoning of family lands at Roscam south of the coast road

GLWC-C5-95

Green Party

Summary

Objects to the inclusion of this Specific Objective on grounds that it clearly contradicts many of the objectives in the CPD and therefore should not be included.

1. The proposed area for the road is currently zoned as Recreational Amenity (RA) and are 'To provide for and protect recreational uses, open space, amenity uses and natural heritage', including 'Development of buildings of a recreational, cultural or educational nature or car parking areas related to and secondary to the primary use of land/ water body for outdoor recreation'. (section 11.2.2 of CDP) Placing a bus corridor through these lands does not meet any of the above development objectives. The council are not following the zoning they ascribed the land and are failing to follow their own development plans.
 - a. Chapter 5 of the plan states on numerous occasions that Merlin Park Woods plays an important role in providing green spaces across Galway City. Merlin Park Woods is noted as being one of three City Parks, with the Primary Purpose of these parks being (per Table 5.2) '*Large scale open spaces for passive and active recreation, wildlife conservation and education*'.
 - b. Policy 5.1 repeatedly requires the council to support sustainable use and management of these areas. This development plan objective will be negatively impacted if construction of a wide transport corridor is allowed, which will fragment the South Woods from the meadow. The proposed road corridor is to be located between the South Woods and the most biodiverse part of the woodland, which will very negatively affect the wildlife living in the adjacent woodland. Again, the City Council is failing to meet a key City Development Plan objective in granting permission to build a road on these lands.
 - c. Section 5.6.1 specifically states 'The Council will, where possible, protect trees, woodlands and hedgerows of special amenity or environmental value. The Council will work with stakeholders such as the Friends of Merlin Woods and the Terryland Forest Park committee to protect and enhance these valuable amenities within the city.' By including this road in the CDP the Council are, again, failing to meet their development plan objective. Trees will be destroyed and working with FOMW to protect and enhance the woods will not be achieved.

The proposed BusConnects corridor along the length of the Dublin Road does NOT have, in its proposals, a bus corridor through Merlin Woods <https://www.bcgdublinroad.ie/>

The BusConnects proposal makes good use of the current entrance, placing traffic lights and pedestrian crossings at the current entrance, allowing people access the entrance of the hospital as well as allowing buses to travel in and out safely.

<p>There is no reference or mention of introducing an entrance at the Galway Crystal junction. I am baffled as to why this road is being included if the current BusConnects, which I assume is the Galway Bus Strategy, does not require this entrance.</p>	
GLWC-C5-96	Liam Dilleen
Summary	
<p>Submission fully supports rezoning of lands as site is an infill site with residential development to the north and south, the site is contiguous to lands zoned residential in an area identified as 'Roscam Village' in the draft plan. The adjacent site to the south has also been zoned residential. The zoning of the subject lands for residential use and its inclusion with in the 'Roscam Village' area boundary will consolidate the existing pattern of development in the area, will help increase the provision of housing within the built up area of the city and will increase the variety of house types available.</p>	
GLWC-C5-96	Liam Dilleen
Summary	
<p>Submission supports the removal of the protected view as the protected views at the southern part of the front boundary of the subject lands should be removed as they are already obstructed by mature hedgerow and vegetation along the roadside and by the existing dwelling and mature landscaping on the adjacent site to the south.</p>	
GLWC-C5-97	Dermot McLoughlin
Summary	
<p>Support the submission made by Rosshill Roscam Residents Association with regard to the Material alterations report A21 & A22.</p>	
GLWC-C5-98	Dermot McLoughlin
Summary	
<p>Support the submission made by Rosshill Roscam Residents Association with regard to the Material alterations report A32.</p>	
GLWC-C5-99	Izabela Guzik
Summary	
<p>Objects to the road which will be harmful to the forest (Merlin Woods). There are very few natural forests in Ireland and very few trees.</p> <p>Woods and every single tree should be considered a treasure. Old trees in Ireland are amazing and unique. Every tree that is felled is a waste of tremendous amount of oxygen, Trees are good for our mental health. Protect your national treasure and appreciate your nature.</p>	
GLWC-C5-100	Dermot McLoughlin
Summary	
<p>Support the submission made by Rosshill Roscam Residents Association with regard to the Material alterations report A89.</p>	

GLWC-C5-101	Dermot McLoughlin
Summary	
<p>Objection on basis that material alteration is not in compliance with the OPR recommendations to omit as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> j) Isolated LDR zoning in areas otherwise zoned A Agricultural or G Agricultural and high amenity which specifically refers to Roscam k) Isolated LDR zoning in areas adjacent to Galway Bay SSE and SPA complex i.e., Roscam l) LDR zoning in Roscam due to high concentration of onsite wastewater treatment adjacent to areas of very high environmental sensitivity such as Galway Bay SSE and SPA 	
GLWC-C5-102	Health Service Executive
Summary	
<p>Submission supports Material Alterations A.28, A.77, A.78 and A.122 which relate to new policy objectives for the heliport and new Elective Hospital within the city, along with the realignment of bus routes through MPUH and around UHG.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> m) The inclusion of the heliport site-specific objective (A.28), will be of utmost benefit to the city and vital for the offering of healthcare facilities in Galway City and the west of Ireland. The benefits and importance of such a facility were outlined in the original submission (Ref: GLWC-C2-162). n) The alteration of the bus route at UHG (A.77), is respectfully supported, to ensure the safety of staff and visitors to UHG and the surrounding area, along with the continued ability of the hospital campus' functionality in a safe manner. o) The alteration of the bus routes through MPUH (A.78) are also respectfully supported by the HSE, in the interests of any future avoidance of doubt of the exact route locations when brought forward. p) The new policy objective within Policy 7.8 (A.122) to support the delivery of key healthcare infrastructure, including, specifically, a new Elective Hospital, is welcomed by the HSE. The importance of ensuring key hospital and healthcare facility infrastructure throughout the city is of utmost importance to the HSE and to the patrons of Galway City and the surrounding area. <p>The HSE support the inclusion of appropriate policies and objectives in line with National Section 28 Ministerial Guidelines, to facilitate the delivery of appropriate healthcare facilities within the development plan.</p>	
GLWC-C5-103	Deirdre Grealish
Summary	
<p>Submission objects to the inclusion of the following Material Alterations to the Draft Development Plan:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A.21 A.22 	

A.32	
A.89	
A.161	
GLWC-C5-104	John Grealish
Summary	
<p>Submission objects to the inclusion of the following Material Alterations to the Draft Development Plan:</p> <p>A.21</p> <p>A.22</p> <p>A.32</p> <p>A.89</p> <p>A.161</p>	
GLWC-C5-105	National Transport Agency
Summary	
<p>To protect the future operation of the transport corridors a specific objective should be attached to MA's A.5,A.11 and A.13 to note <i>“any new road access arrangements must be agreed with the NTA to ensure there will be no adverse impact on the operation of Galway BusConnects services”</i>. To protect the future operation of the transport corridors a specific objective to the above MA should be attached to note <i>“any new road access arrangements must be agreed with the NTA to ensure there will be no adverse impact on the operation of Galway BusConnects services”</i>.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Amend Section 11.2.2 Natural Heritage, Recreation and Amenity RA Land Use zoning objectives to consider the development of a heliport in association with the provision of an air ambulance facility to service UHG. NTA recommends that this should also include reference to the development of a potential new public transport entrance onto the Seamus Quirke Road. <i>(in order to protect the future operation of public transport corridors- this is in light of the consideration to develop a bus link through the UHG Campus to include a public transport entrance)</i> • Replace National Cycle Network Plan text with CycleConnects: Ireland’s Cycle Network Plan. <p>Material Alterations A.17, A.18, A.19, A.20 and A.24 should be omitted from the final plan as they are likely to be wholly car dependent and contrary to national and regional level objectives. (NTA)</p> <p>Text should refer to the Galway Metropolitan Area Transport Strategy (GMATS) to replace updates Galway Transport Strategy (GTS) text.</p> <p>In the interest of clarity, MA A.66 and A.174 should be amended to clearly reflect the distinction between the ABT and the plan preparation methodology, and the Local Transport Plan (LTP). These Material Alterations should refer to Local Transport Plans (LTPs), not ABTAs (which could be referenced as the methodology used to prepare LTPs)</p> <p>NTA submission supports Material Alterations A.68.A.69 and A.175</p>	

GLWC-C5-106	Galway Cycling Solutions
Summary	
<p>The inclusion of the wording an “indicative coastal greenway route between Ballyloughane and the Eastern city boundary” in Section 5.7.1 Greenways, Boreens and Public Right of Ways is prejudice to the consultation process for the Dublin - Galway Greenway. Material Alteration also contradicts earlier text in paragraph as no Environmental Impact Assessments have been carried out in the area between Ballyloughane and the Eastern city boundary, an area within and adjacent to, 2 European Sites - Galway Bay SAC and Inner Galway Bay SPA. Reference should be removed from the Draft Galway City Development Plan 2023-2029.reference should be removed from the Draft Galway City Development Plan 2023-2029.</p>	
GLWC-C5-107	Eamonn Hogan
Summary	
<p>Add support to the submissions on the draft plan made by Save Roscam Peninsula, Rosshill Roscam Residents Association and Coastal Action Group.</p> <p>Material alterations to the draft plan are contrary to OPR and CE recommendations</p> <p>Area is environmentally sensitive with European Protected sites, natural woodlands which are important for environment and natural heritage and habitats for projected species.</p> <p>Population of Doughiska and Roscam has increased over last 20 years. No planned amenities for the people living in the area. Par 3 golf course was a valuable resources that closed due to council zoning decisions. Former pitch and putt lands could be utilised as a parkland similar to Renville Park in Oranmore.</p> <p>Development of lands in Rosshill as seen in various planning applications require extensive ground works which will result in serious damage to the environment.</p> <p>Rezoning decisions are not in the public interest but infavour of individual and corporate property interests.</p>	
GLWC-C5-108	Deirdre Greally
Summary	
<p>Submission supports submission numbers 15,16,20,21 and 40.</p>	

List of submissions received not relevant to the Proposed Material Alterations

GLWC-C5-24	Fáilte Ireland	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Requests to include a specific strategic goal “Acknowledging the vital importance of the tourism sector to economic development, continue to encourage and promote the sustainable development of a range of quality tourism facilities, attractions and accommodation types in Galway City. (A35?) • Insert objective to prioritise a signage and wayfinding review for the Wild Atlantic Way around the city. (A103?) • Insert objective to work in collaboration with Fáilte Ireland to ensure continued maintenance of discovery points and ensure access routes are maintained for all users. • Have greater integration in the development plan of the ‘Wild Atlantic Way’ identification and branding is. Include a specific objective aligning with, supporting and promoting this initiative is also included. 	Not allied to PMA
GLWC-C5-28	University of Galway	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This submission requests that any references to the University within the forthcoming Galway City Development Plan 2023 –2029, should refer to the institution as the ‘University of Galway’ and that the official name should not be abbreviated. 	Not allied to PMA