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Thank you for providing the opportunity to engage on the Galway County Development Plan 2022 – 2028 helping us all shape the bright future of Galway county.

Outlined in the introduction of the issues paper, there are a number of challenges presented that the plan is designed to address including:

- “Growing the metropolitan area and other settlements with the County to achieve company growth”
- “Living sustainable without compromising future generations”

In order to achieve sustainable metropolitan growth, a suite of next generation municipal wastewater solutions across the county could be put in place to service future generations as well support sustainable/eco-friendly growth of our villages and towns.

In line with the planned objectives outlined above, I would like to request that Craughwell Village be included in the Wastewater objectives to provide a public waste-water scheme for Craughwell village.

The scheme will enable:

- Sustainable growth of the residential and commercial units within Craughwell village
- Environmentally friendly waste management option in a karst region particular as the village borders a SAC (Rahasane Turlough SAC (SiteCode: IE0000322))

There are also a number of drivers that support revisiting this objective specified in the previous Galway County Development Plans (2015-2022) including:

- Progress on Dunkellin River Works
- Growing village population
- Increased planned housing units

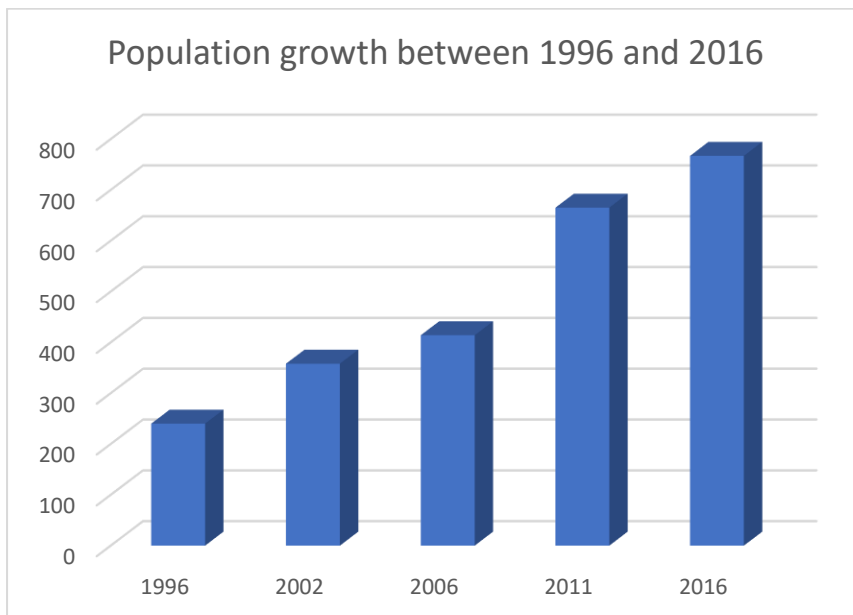
Progress on Dunkellin River Works

The most recent Dunkellin river scheme is designed to reduce the risk of flooding and causing pollution of the Turlough thus has now increased the number of locations available for building and

running an efficient treatment plant. A modern well management municipal treatment infrastructure will provide more protection than individual(s) and group treatment units from an environmental perspective.

Growing Village Population

The population continues to grow within Craughwell village. The following chart outlines the population growth since 1996. With the increase in planned residential units, this population will grow.



Increased planning submissions in the village

Since the 2015, on the planning portal, we see approximately 80+ new housing units planned for the village. This reflects the vibrancy of Craughwell village and an indicator of current/future growth with the village. As the planned housing units actualize into homes, the projected growth of the village population could increase to between 100-300 in the short/medium term.

In summary, I hope this submission has outlined some summary background for this particular request. Thank you for your engagement and feel free to reach out.

Kind Regards

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