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Yes

No

7. Please enter your submission in no more than 4000 plain text characters. \*

Submission to the Galway Issues Paper for the Draft County Development Plan 2022-2028  
Coach Parent Player - Kinvara Hockey Club. Resident Kinvara Area Summary of Submission  
The Draft CDP needs to ensure that provision and allocation of Open space/ community facilities/ recreation and amenity facilities shall be developed in tandem with any future new housing developments within the settlements including for example in villages like Kinvara. There is a requirement for lands to be set aside in the villages for playing pitches eg. a hockey pitch /2G multi sport pitch/open space/recreation and amenity uses, or objectives in the CDP to allocate a certain percentage of land for green infrastructure within each and every settlement like Kinvara village. Ideally the new sporting facilities such as a hockey pitch/2G multi sport pitch shall be constructed by the developer in the settlement near the new housing developments and prior to any new large housing developments being completed within the settlement. Or developers can provide the land and facilities in one large designated centrally located area within or close to the village boundary to the south, east or west of the village eg. like the existing GAA Grounds which are a short walk or cycle west of the village core. Regionally green infrastructure needs to be improved by providing lands for a regional 2G multi sport/fullsize hockey pitch. Kinvara hockey club and the other hockey clubs in Galway City and County are very short on facilities. As a collective, County Hockey Clubs need a full sized water- based hockey 2G pitch and other supporting sand based 2G pitches to practice on. They could then welcome other clubs for inter-provincial, national and of course international competitions. Practice on a full sized pitch is a necessity for the growth of the game and, so players can be selected to represent their province and Country! Hockey has one primary surface and that is 2G Astro turf, unlike other sports that use astro turf as a secondary pitch!. There are different types of artificial grass pitches including 1G, 2G, 3G and 4G. Hockey needs a 2G Pitch which is not available in Kinvara at present or in nearby towns. Please acknowledge in the CDP that Local and Regional hockey facilities/2G multi-sport pitches, are required in the CDP to accommodate and keep the numbers up in the Kinvara Hockey Club. The club has over 200 members, and the players would benefit physically and socially from additional green infrastructure including a 2G multi-sport/hockey pitch, within the village. Hockey is a predominately female sport in Kinvara and regionally also. The CDP by providing multisport 2G Astro facilities can aim to ensure Equity in sport for Women and Girls in sport, with the ultimate aim of equality.  
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