



NOTICE OF THE PROPOSAL TO MAKE THE PORTUMNA DRAFT LOCAL AREA PLAN 2016-2021

Notice is hereby given that Galway County Council pursuant to Section 20 of the Planning and Development Act 2000 (as amended), Article 14 A-E of the Planning & Development (Strategic Environmental Assessment) Regulations, 2004 (as amended), Article 6 of the EU Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC) and the Birds Directive (79/409/EEC) as amended, and the European Communities (Birds and Natural Habitats) Regulations, 2011 (S.I. 477) has prepared a Draft Local Area Plan (LAP), a Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA) Environmental Report, an Appropriate Assessment (AA) Stage 2 Natura Impact Report and also a Strategic Flood Risk Assessment (SFRA) for Portumna.

These reports were prepared following initial public consultation and consideration of submissions received during the pre-draft public display period. The Draft Local Area Plan along with the reports outlined above will be on public display and may be inspected from **Friday 31st July 2015 to Friday 11th September 2015 (excluding weekends and public holidays)** at the following locations:

- **Planning Office, Áras an Chontae, Prospect Hill, Galway** (Monday -Friday 9am-4pm)
- **Portumna Library, Castle Ave, Portumna** (Tuesday & Thursday 10.30am – 1.00pm & 2.00pm – 5.00pm, Wednesday & Friday 2.00pm– 5.00pm & 6.00pm – 8.00pm, and Saturday 11.00am -1.00pm & 2.00pm -5.00pm)
- **Portumna Area Office, Civic Offices, Portumna.** (Monday -Friday 9.10am -1.00pm & 2.00pm - 5.00pm)

All documents are also available to download from Galway County Council's website www.galway.ie.

Written submissions or observations in respect of the Draft LAP, the SEA Environmental Report, AA Natura Impact Report and Strategic Flood Risk Assessment (SFRA) for Portumna made to the Planning Authority during such period will be taken into consideration before the Plan is adopted by Galway County Council. Submissions or observations are also welcome from children, or groups or associations representing the interests of children.

Submissions or observations should be made in writing and addressed to:

'Portumna Local Area Plan',

Forward Planning Section, Galway County Council,
Prospect Hill, Galway,

or forwarded by fax to (091) 509199 or sent by email to localareaplan@galwaycoco.ie.

Closing Date for Submissions or Observations is Friday 11th September 2015 at 4pm. Late Submissions will not be accepted.

PUBLIC CONSULTATION DROP-IN SESSION

Galway County Council invites you to attend a public consultation drop-in session on the Portumna Draft Local Area Plan 2016-2021 to take place on:

Wednesday 12th August 2015 – 2.30pm – 7.30pm
In the Portumna Library