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Subject: Fwd: County Development Plan Submission

Good afternoon,

In relation to the County Development Plan Submission, please record the following points.

- Decarbonisation model for all towns in the county, not just Carrick-on-Shannon (in reference to (Climate Action – Overarching Objectives 1 & 2) in the Draft Development plan to support SECs in the County and to creating a decarbonisation zone at Carrick on Shannon.
- Gold prospecting and mining is not welcome in North Leitrim. LCC promote the county as being tourist friendly and a hub for green tourism; mining has no place alongside this. Our waters, soils and lands are already under enough threat.
- Forestry legislation requiring overhaul/ LCC to be proactive in bringing about change; Leitrim has it's fair share of monoculture forestry (dead zones)
- Encourage Council in taking 'An Bord Pleanala' to task on some of their decisions, especially in regards to what is considered a Special exempted development and outdated wind Turbine legislation reform.
- Immediate action on Biodiversity; I need not explain any further on this.
- Alternative energy generation and sources should be explored; Hydro energy generation/ solar farms. More support for SEC groups; there is plenty of vacant LCC land where such development could take place.
- Empty housing stock - proactive approach in renovating and reintroducing some of Leitrim's empty housing; especially with growing rental and housing demands.
- To take a proactive approach in National Broadband Plan rollout; North Leitrim is being left behind in the NBP rollout; study plans but no cable ran as of yet compared to the southern municipalities. Remote working and small rural businesses are being left behind.
- A bigger team required to protect Leitrim's precious Heritage (a large amount of assets not currently protected).

Please preserve this beautiful county and provide a genuine commitment to deliver meaningful differences in local communities. Be a leader in all things sustainable and keep up the great work already being done.

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Pete & Jess Farrell,