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Liscannor

Associated Documents

None of the above

Environmental Reports

None of the above

Your Submission

The Location and Context section of the plan for Liscannor describes the strain of increased population from tourism in peak holiday months. This strain in infrastructure has a huge impact on permanent residents resulting in overloaded roads and other systems, but also in increased traffic and speeding in the village, and noise, littering and anti-social behaviour in the summer months. Under Housing and Sustainable Communities, the plan states: "It is therefore important to ensure future development is balanced and contributes to a thriving village community which can support a range of services which are viable year-round, whilst retaining its distinctive village character. Future residential development shall be for permanent occupation only." I entirely agree. It is increasingly important to support local communities in highly-developed tourist locations so that permanent housing is available and not diverted into holiday homes or tourist accommodation.

To this end, I fail to see why the Council has granted a change of zoning to a green-field site in the village of Liscannor for a Camping/Glamping site. This site, designated TOU5 in the plan, is surrounded on all sides by permanent residents. That such a location is deemed appropriate for such a use is tone-deaf at best and entirely contrary to the stated aim above. The zoning of this land should be reconsidered either for a return to Agricultural use or for permanent low-density residential development. The location, within a few hundred meters of the village primary school and in the centre of a larger area of permanent residential homes is entirely unsuitable for a campsite with its potential disruptive noise and anti-social behaviour. While it is possible that a campsite within the parish of Liscannor could be of benefit to the community, siting it within the village itself would damage the visual character of the village and disrupt normal life for local residents.

Location Map



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