

# Proposed Amendments to the Draft Meath County Development Plan 2013 - 2019

## APPENDIX 7:

### PROTECTED VIEWS AND PROSPECTS



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## APPENDIX 12 - PROTECTED VIEWS AND PROSPECTS

List of protected views and prospects as shown on Maps 9.5.1. to 9.5.6 (Written text supersedes map)

View	Location	Direction	Description	Significance
1	County road between Ross and Moneybeg	North West	View looking north west across mixed landscape of woodland and trees of low enclosure. Lake and skylines visible in distance. Working landscape containing housing, agricultural structures and infrastructure.	Local
2	County road at Bellewstown	South	Views to south of Loughcrew skyline. Foreground contains extensive housing.	Local
3	County road from R154 at Boolies	South	Extensive views south west across unusually open and unenclosed landscape towards skyline of cultural and scenic significance. Foreground and middleground obstructed by housing and infrastructure.	Regional
4	R154 between Patrickstown and Oldcastle I	North	Extensive view northwards across extensive settled landscape with settlements, housing, infrastructure and agriculture all visible. Infrastructure and housing visible in near and middle foreground. Few mature trees in foreground or middle distance. Extensive view southwards across extensive settled landscape with low densities of housing.	Regional
5	R154 between Patrickstown and Oldcastle II	South	Extensive view south across extensive landscape with relatively low levels of enclosure and relatively low levels of visible development.	Regional
6	Slieve na Calliagh	Panorama	Panoramic views in all directions including intervisibility between the 3 peaks. Site of high cultural and scenic significance characterised by absent or very low levels of enclosure.	National
7	County road between Rahaghy and Patrickstown	South East	Extensive view across important scenic and cultural landscape.	Regional
8	County road between Skerry Cross Roads and Ballinlough	South West	Framed View from local road across Lough Bane	Regional
9	County road between Crossakeel and Magee's Cross Roads	West	Extensive view of cultural significance. Skyline to the west across normal pasture and tillage landscape with extensive housing and agricultural buildings and infrastructure.	Regional
10	County road between Crossakeel and Ardglassan	North West	Extensive view across mature agricultural area with low densities of non-agricultural development and low intensities of infrastructure visible. Extensive view of Loughcrew and extensive view to south of wooded skylines and distant hills (Portlaois). Similar views available along much of this road.	National
11	County road between Ardglassan and Rathniska	South and West	View to south: Extensive views across tillage lowlands. Very low levels of development visible. Many mature trees and large fields. View to west: Occasional views of Loughcrew. Established pattern of settlement and infrastructure.	Local

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12	County road between Keeran's Cross Roads and Commons of Lloyd at Castlepole	North	View to the north-. Typical lowland pasture and tillage. Fields bounded by mature trees. Extensive development visible including housing, agricultural structures and infrastructure (including bypass).	Local
13	Tower at Kells	Panorama	360 degree panoramic views to surrounding landscape. Significant visual relationships including Loughcrew to the west and toward Carlingford Lough and the Mourne Mountains to the north east. Views also including extensive areas of development including infrastructure and urbanisation. Site is also of cultural heritage significance.	National
14	R163 between Kells and Drumbaragh	North North East	Extensive view to north-north-east across a landscape of settlement, infrastructure, mixed farming and woodland	Local
15	County road between Carlanstown and Ardlonan	East	Expansive views to east across typical agricultural lowlands with low levels of scattered development	Local
16	County road to north of Moydorragh	North East and South West	Short range views to north-east towards tower. Expansive views to south west across complex of mixed landscape types – this view is visible from a number of locations along this road.	Local
17	County road between Mullagheven Cross Roads and Gorrays Cross Roads	North North East	Expansive views to distant locations to north and to views of Carlingford, Mourne Mountains to the north east. Highly varied topography. Woodland in lowlands.	Regional
18	County road between Mullystaghan and Robertstown	North, North East and East	Extensive views to north, north east and east from this point and approach roads. Land is open with occasional woodland blocks and complex topography. Development evident, especially in lowland areas.	Local
19	Car Park at Whitewood Lough	East and North East	Lakeland view to east with woodland and Whitewood House on horizon. Open view towards north east of horizon. Low levels of development visible in near ground.	Local
20	County road between Cormeen and Breaky Bridge	North	<del>View from stretch of road as indicated on map.</del> View to north across drumlin/low hills to near horizons. Extensive areas of woodland and small fields in foreground. These views exist along much of this stretch of road.	Local
21	County road between Miltown Cross Roads and Ervey Cross Roads	North	Views to north of high amenity mature mixed woodland on steep sided stream valley with occasional rock outcrops. Absence of any visual residential or agricultural development.	Local
22	County road between Corratober Bridge and Rathlagan	North East	Expansive views to north east distant horizon including mountains. Very little settlement visible. Infrastructure, power lines concentrated in this area around substation to the right hand side east.	Regional
23	County road between R165 and Mullaghmore	North East	Expansive views to north east distant horizon including mountains. Very little settlement visible.	Regional
24	County road between Rathkenny and Parsonstown Demesne	West and North West	Expansive views to the west and north west across settled landscape including infrastructure and widely scattered housing and some settlements.	Regional
25	County road between Horistown and Creewood I	North West	Extensive view especially to the north east west. Working landscape, densely settled.	Regional
26	County road between Rathkenny and Dreminstown	West	Extensive views to west across working landscape with scattered development and woodland.	Regional

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27	County road between Horistown and Creewood II	South East	<del>View to south-east.</del> Very distant views across settled landscape. Relatively open. Mature woodland in foreground. Low density of visible development to the south east. Powerlines and houses visible to southwest.	Regional
28	County road between Rathkenny Cross Roads and Sallygarden Cross Roads	North East	View north east across settled working landscape with large fields, woodland lots, and low levels of enclosure. Settlements and infrastructure visible.	Local
29	Car Park at Hill of Slane	East, South East and South	Extensive view from east to south east across open working and settled landscape. Modern housing and agricultural development visible.	National
30	Hill of Slane	Panorama	Extensive panorama across open working and settled landscape. Modern housing and agricultural development visible.	National
31	County road between Boyne Canal and Roughgrange	North	Intermittent views of the main tumulus in Newgrange can be obtained from many points along this road and adjacent areas. Visibility often [less in summer] and <del>determined by the season and the current state of hedgerow maintenance, determined by season</del> .	International
32	At Cross off county road to north of N51	East, South and West	Extensive view from east to west encompassing woodland and large open fields in foreground. Settled working landscape visible in all directions. Very low density of settlement in foreground to middle ground distance. <b>This View is typical of a series of such views from the N 51 between N53 [Western Boundary] and N53 [Eastern Boundary].</b>	Local
33	At Proudstown Cross Roads on R162	East	Extensive eastward view to distant location across settled landscape. Dense urbanisation on right hand side of view. More open but still undeveloped left hand side.	Local
34	N2 between Slane and Balrath at McGrunder's Cross Roads	North East	View of Boyne Valley with open view of Knowth and Newgrange. Mixed composition of working landscape. Slane visible on left (west). Roads, <b>power lines</b> and housing visible.	International
35	County Road between Beaupark and Painestown	North West	View to northwest across settled landscape with settlements and infrastructure (powerline, windfarm, roads visible). Many large woodland lots.	Regional
36	County road to north of Brownstown Cross Roads on R153 I	North West	View to north west across working landscape with visual agricultural structures.	Local
37	County road to north of Brownstown Cross Roads on R153 II	South East	View to south east across working landscape with visual agricultural structures.	Local
38	At Carn Hill on county road to north of Casey's Cross Roads on R153	South West	South west view to very distant horizon across settled landscape with visual settlement, infrastructure and housing on the outskirts of Navan.	Local
39	At Johnstown on county road to south of Casey's Cross Roads on R153	North East	Extensive view to north-east across working landscape with visible infrastructure (powerline, major road) and scattered residential development.	Local
40	On road to south of Cannistown Church and M3	South East and South	Extensive view mainly to south east and south over settled landscape with infrastructure (motorway), powerlines, playing fields and houses.	Local

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41	On county road between Dowdstown Bridge and Garlagh Cross Roads	South	View looking south towards Hill of Tara across open landscape with significant concentration of development to east and woodland to west. Contains infrastructure including road, 220kV powerline and anglemasts.	Regional
42	On county road between Bective and Ballinter cross roads	East	View sustained for 500m taking place across unoccupied level countryside with few enclosures.	Local
43	Hill of Tara Car Park	East	View east to Skryne. Settled landscape. Historic features.	Local
44	Hill of Tara	Panorama	Views <del>in every direction</del> across settled landscape with visible development including foreground powerlines, agricultural buildings, houses, quarries and roads. View to the west; other prominent hilltops visible at great distance. Foreground contains extensive areas of hedgerows and woodland. View to the south; Wicklow and Dublin Mountains visible on horizon. Relatively little development visible. Substantial woodland in the foreground. View to the east; across settled working landscape with a variety of structures and development visible including historic structures such as Skryne. Distant industrial plants. View to the north; panoramic views into very distant horizons. Encompassing a settled landscape with many buildings and structures visible in near and middle distance. Note areas immediately below hill to the north and south are obstructed by topography at variance with protection plan.	National
45	On county road between Kilmessan and Castleboy	North East	Local View of Tara hill top.	Local
46	On county road between Balpere Hill and Tara	North	Road has a distinct character at present coming through an arch of trees. It forms an important context for the approach to Tara.	Regional
47	Skryne Church	Panorama	Extensive panoramic views. View to the west: very distant horizon across settled landscape with the Hill of Tara forming foreground. Intervening landscape contains housing, farm buildings, roads and woodlands. View to the north: contains significant amount of trees and woodland and nearby housing. View to the north east: very distant panorama including Carlingford peninsula. Foreground is a settled working landscape containing many visible structures including houses, telecom masts, and distant factories. View to the south: very extensive (including Dublin and Wicklow Mountains and Howth peninsula), heavily wooded foreground and middle distance. Many structures visible.	National
48	On M3 at Baronstown	North East	Iconic view. View only towards Skryne Hill. Motorway in the foreground. Concentration of housing on road side. View of very distant horizon to the north.	Local
49	On county road between Collierstown and Trevet	North West	Distinctive local view towards Skryne Church.	Local



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50	On R154 between Trim and Scurlockstown	North West	View looking to north west across very open fields of flood plain across river, toward important collection of cultural heritage remains silhouetted on the skyline. An iconic image of Trim's status as a Heritage Town. Much modern development visible to the left.	Regional
51	On R158 between Trim and Laracor	North	Expansive view to north of Trim's Heritage buildings in profile creating a distinctive urban style.	Local
52	Hill of Ward	Panorama	Panoramic views in all directions to very distant horizons. Very open landscape in foreground and middle distance across a working landscape with relatively little settlement visible except for town of Athboy to west.	Regional
53	On R161 at Inchatore Bridge to west of Donore	North, North East and South	View of Boyne in open and largely undeveloped countryside. View to the north and north east of typical river corridor with immature vegetation from R161. No development currently visible. No apparent cultural heritage significance is visible.	Local
54	On R161 at Royal Canal	East and West	Views along Royal Canal to the east and west at intersection with R161	Regional
55	On Stoneford Bridge on county road between Blackshade and Moyfin	North	View north to middle distance along the River Boyne. Typical lowland countryside. Very little development visible.	Local
56	Along Royal Canal at Boolykeagh	South	An unusual view to south containing water in the foreground with elevated views to distant horizons mostly to the south west. Very little development evident.	Regional
57	County road between Rathcore and Clonguiffin	West and North West	Views to west/north west like this available from this location where there are gaps in the hedge. Expansive views available to very distant horizons across mixed farmland working landscape with relatively low levels of development.	Local
58	County road between N51 and Knowth	South	First view of tumulus looking to south.	Regional
59	Knowth Tumulus	Panorama	Panoramic views in all directions from top of Knowth tumulus. Extensive views across a working countryside.	International
60	Obelisk Bridge at Oldbridge	North West	View north west from south of Obelisk Bridge is selected as typical of the quality of local visual amenity at this location. A site of considerable scenic and historic significance. Site of Battle of Boyne.	
61	Hill at Graveyard at Sheephouse	North, East and West	<del>View north; local scenic and international historical/cultural significance.</del> Expansive view of settled lowland with extensive urbanisation and industry visible to the east and north. Views to the north are extensive and encompass important cultural landscape of significance. Much woodland to north and west	National
62	County road between Duleek and Boyne Canal I	North and West	Panoramic views across mixed agriculture and tillage, pasture and woodland. Views to north and east west - dense woodland. Distant horizon skyline to north and west.	International
63	County road between Donore and Redmountain	North	Extensive view to north across woodland, pasture and tillage. Middle distance views of Newgrange and Knowth in centre of view and very little development visible.	International

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64	County road between Duleek and Boyne Canal II	North West	Extensive view to north across woodland, pasture and tillage. Middle distance views of Newgrange and Knowth in centre of view and very little development visible.	International
65	Laytown Strand	North	Distinctive View northwards along the shore from Laytown.	Regional
66	County road between Duleek and Carnes East	South West, West, North West and North	Panoramic views from south west to north. South West - Very distant horizons visible. Views to north and west - very compromised by industry and urbanisation.	Regional
67	County road between Carnes West and Carnes East	South West	Very long distance views to south west and west across open tillage landscape with occasional settlement and very large fields. View provided is typical. There are similar views from many equivalent vantage points in this general area.	Regional
68	County road between Bellewstown and Carnes East	South	<del>View to south.</del> Extensive views across predominantly agricultural countryside with relatively low levels of settlement and infrastructure. Very large fields with low enclosure. Telecom and electricity infrastructure visible.	Local
69	County road at Bellewstown	North East	Extensive north-eastward view to sea, Mourne Mountains and horizon north of Boyne. View encompasses a settled landscape with industry, infrastructure, settlement and sea to the east. Views to north and east most important.	Regional
70	R108 between Naul and Mullaghteein	East	Extensive view to east and sea from junction of local road with R108	Regional
71	County road off R108 at Snowtown	South East	<del>View to east. No specific view from the R106 however there are extensive views to the south from local road between hedgerows and quarry. View at gate along hedgerow of extensive tillage landscape, visible settlement and infrastructure.</del> View at gate along hedgerow of extensive tillage landscape, visible settlement and infrastructure.	
72	County road Hawkinstown and Gilliamstown	West and South West	Expansive view to west/south west across settled landscape with distant views towards Skryne. Landscape is densely vegetated in foreground.	Local
73	County road between Robinson's Cross Roads on R108 and Windmill Hill	North East	Extensive views to the north east, mid distance heavily wooded. Dwellings, infrastructure and agriculture on left hand side. View to skyline with distinctive tower is locally distinctive.	Local
74	Boyne valley from Rosnaree House	East	Boyne valley from Rosnaree House.	National
75	Boyne Estuary view from coast road between Mornington and Drogheda (past Grammar School)	North	Expansive views of the Boyne Estuary with associated long views and open skylines. Prospects towards Beaulieu are included. This view is typical of many such views along this road.	Local
76	Rathkenny Hills View from Creewood in south eastward direction	East	A typical view of open countryside with little visible development	Local
77	View of Kileen Castle/Skane Valley from southeast direction of the Warrenstown	North West	A typical view of open countryside with little visible development	Local



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78	Boyne valley from Derrindaly Bridge	East West	View of Boyne in open and largely undeveloped countryside	Local
79	Boyne valley from Scarrif Bridge	North East and South West	View of Boyne in open and largely undeveloped countryside	Local
80	Blackwater Valley Navan from R147 Kells Road in the vicinity of Bloomsbury	South East	River view in context of mature trees.	Local
81	Blackwater Valley from Maudlin Bridge	South East and North West	River view in context of mature trees.	Local
82	Blackwater Valley from Mabes Bridge	East and West	River view in context of mature trees.	Local
83	Clonard Blackshade	South East and North West	Blackshade Bridge over the Royal Canal and with views along the canal in both directions.	Local
84	Coole Hill	West	Elevated Views across open countryside at Coole hill off road from Kilcock to Summerhill.	Local
85	Headford Bridge	East and West	View of River Blackwater from Headford Bridge with estate landscape visible.	Local
86	Bective Bridge	North West, North East and South West	View looking northward from Bective Bridge towards Bective Abbey and along river Boyne in both directions.	Local
87 a to d	Newgrange Passage Tomb	East, West, North and South	Elevated panoramic View across landscape setting of within the World Heritage Site of Brú na Bóinne. Note that this is a working landscape containing agricultural structures, dwellings, infrastructure.	International
88	Dowth Passage Tomb	Panorama	Elevated panoramic View across landscape setting of within the World Heritage Site of Brú na Bóinne. Note that this is a working landscape containing agricultural structures, dwellings, infrastructure.	International
89a	Views towards Brú na Bóinne from N51	South	Views along the N51 looking south into the Core Area of the World Heritage Site.	National
89b	Views towards Brú na Bóinne from N51	South	Views along the N51 looking south into the Core Area of the World Heritage Site.	National
89c	Views towards Brú na Bóinne from N51	South	Views along the N51 looking south into the Core Area of the World Heritage Site.	National
90	West of crossroads at Monknewtown	South	Views at Monknewtown towards the Core Area of the World Heritage Site.	Regional
91	Views from Boyne and Towpath	North West (sample view)	All views within and towards the World Heritage Site are from Boyne and from the Boyne Navigation/tow path and proposed greenway.	International
92	Corballis	North West	Views in from the road at Corballis looking in north westerly directions towards the Core Area of the World Heritage Site.	Regional
93a	Local Road, east of Fennor Cross Roads	North East	The road between Rossnaree and Fennor Cross Roads looking towards the Core Area of the World Heritage Site. The road travels along the edge of the river valley and includes viewing points to important sites associated with the Battle of the Boyne.	Regional

93b	Local Road, west of Rossnaree	East	The road between Rossnaree and Fennor Cross Roads looking towards the Core Area of the World Heritage Site. The road travels along the edge of the river valley and includes viewing points to important sites associated with the Battle of the Boyne.	Regional
93c	At bend on local road half way between Fennor Cross Roads and Rosnaree	East	The road between Rossnaree and Fennor Cross Roads looking towards the Core Area of the World Heritage Site. The road travels along the edge of the river valley and includes viewing points to important sites associated with the Battle of the Boyne.	Regional
94	Moylagh Castle from local road to east of R195	South East	View of Moylagh Castle and Motte.	Local