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RE: ZONING LANDS AT TYRRELLS LANE AND BLUNDELLWOOD FOR EAMONN DUNNE AND PATRICK GILSON.

Dear Sir or Madam,

CHARLEVILLE ROAD,

TULLAMORE.

We have been requested by our clients Eamonn Dunne and Pat Gilson to make a submission for the LAP 2023 – 2029 on their behalf:

The lands that we refer to are within the confines of Folio OY13906F, OY19922F (Eamonn Dunne) AND, OY4240 (Pat Gilson), which are inside the town boundary, are surrounded to the north and west by existing properties and developments, and to the south by the Grand Canal. See attached map with lands coloured red. These lands would be an appropriate location for new housing and would lend itself to walking or cycling into Edenderry as opposed to driving, thus reducing car dependency. These lands can also be accessed from the north, along the canal line through Blundell Wood Estate which leaves the lands extremely close to the town centre. They can also be accessed through Tyrrells Lane which would be a natural extension of the existing residentially zoned area.

The land abuts the Grand Canal and in particular, the Greenway, Cycle path and soccer pitch which is marked 1 on the map. In addition to these amenities, the lands are beside the Pitch and Putt course, the Skate Park and Blundell Park. Again, people living in this area would not be car dependent to avail of these existing amenities for recreational purposes.

The proposed relief road or ecological corridor as referred to in the new draft plan, which may pass through the lands should not affect development of the land when the preferred route option is eventually chosen.

Part of the lands to the north, particularly under folio OY13906F could be used as an extension of existing housing in the area and could avail of existing services.

Taking into consideration that the land is within the town boundary and serviceable, close to existing amenities, it is reasonable that it should be zoned, either all or partial to accommodate extension of existing residential development in the area, for which there is a substantial housing need.

We trust the Council will take the foregoing and the enclosures into consideration when preparing the Development Plan for Edenderry and zone it for residential purposes as the land is within the town boundary of Edenderry and close to existing amenities. The land is of little use for any other purpose.

Yours faithfully,

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