

## SUBMISSIONS RECEIVED

A total eleven submissions were received and are summarised below:

- **Submission 1:** Kelly's Land at Woodstock South

This site was put forward as a possible future location for retail development. It is zoned 'Agricultural' in the Development Plan. It does not have main road frontage (N78 National Secondary Road) and will require to be accessed either through neighbouring industrial or residential areas. Given the alternatives which have been identified which meet the tests of the Sequential Approach and are better located to meet the needs of the existing and emerging population of the town, the site was not included in the list of sites which were identified as having retail development potential in the short, medium and long term.

- **Submission 2:** Kelly's Land at Gallows Hill

This site was put forward as a potential site for future retail development. It is predominantly located outside the boundaries of the Development Plan with the remaining part zoned 'Light Industrial and Commercial'. Given the alternatives which have been identified which meet the tests of the Sequential Approach and are better located to meet the needs of the existing and emerging population of the town, the site was not included in the list of sites which were identified as having retail development potential in the short, medium and long term.

- **Submissions 3 & 4:** Showgrounds Site, Dublin Road

These submissions were received in relation to the appropriateness of providing a District Centre at this location. This site has been considered as a general location for retail development potential and recommendations regarding the appropriateness of designating further District Centres are set out in the final section of this report

- **Submission 5:** Showgrounds Site, Dublin Road

A submission was received in relation to providing a zoning for retail development at this site to enable Tesco Ireland to develop in this location. This site has been considered and recommended as having retail development potential in the report.

- **Submissions 6 & 7:** Greencore Site, Woodstock South

These submissions were made in relation to a a major strategic site located to the west of the town, and its appropriateness for retail development. This site has been considered and recommended as having retail development potential in the report.

- **Submission 8:** Former Esta Factory, Geraldine Road

This submission was made in relation to the site which is currently zoned with District Centre objectives in the Development Plan and sets out the importance of the site in

the retail planning of the town. This site has been considered and recommended as having retail development potential in the report.

- **Submissions 9 & 10:** King Oil Fuel Depot and surrounds

These submissions were made separately in relation to the potential for relocating non-suitable commercial premises such as Builders Merchants and Car Repairs from the town centre to this broad location and there was a request for designation of a retail park or District Centre in this location. Site 9 is zoned 'Light Industrial and Commercial' and, thus, the zoning is in place to accommodate the type of relocations identified. The combined site identified in Submission 10 illustrates that the area provides potential for double frontage access from both Dublin Road and Kildare Road. However, the large linking central portion of the site is currently the town's recycling centre and the Town Council has no proposals for this to be relocated in the foreseeable future. It is concluded that the site is not available to deliver the retail potential identified in the submission.

- **Submission 11:** Athy Business Campus

This submission was made in relation to the potential for this location to facilitate the relocation of non-high street uses from the town centre through it being designated for full retail warehousing uses. The site is zoned 'Industrial and Warehousing' in the Development Plan and under this zoning retail warehousing is permitted. In respect of its potential as a modern format retail park, it does not have the access or profile onto a main road (N78 National Primary Road). It, therefore, may meet the requirements of individual retail warehousing/non high street bulky retail uses but not those of the market. As such, it is not a site which has been identified as having strategic retail potential.