

Dear LDP Team  
Please find DAERA's comments to the above consultation in relation to counter representation.  
Many thanks  
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Dear Sir/Madam,

Please see attached, for your information.

Thank you.

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Dear LDP Team

**Re: NMDDC Local Development Plan - Draft Plan Strategy 2035 – counter representations**

Department of Agriculture, Environment and Rural Affairs (DAERA) welcomes the opportunity to respond to the representations made in response to the NMDDC draft Plan Strategy and Sustainability Appraisal.

DAERA notes there are a number of representations proposing zoning land, we would be of the opinion that these may be premature given the stage of the plan. DAERA will provide more detailed comments as the plan progresses to the LPP stage. Having considered the representations, DAERA does not wish to make further comment at this stage, and we look forward to engaging with the council as the plan progresses.

Yours sincerely,



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