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Submission of Representation to Mid Ulster District Council Local Development Plan 2030 Draft Plan Strategy.

Your Ref: MUPOP/13

Dear Sirs,

This representation relates to: The local Development Plan, Public Consultation Report to Preferred Options Paper January 2019.

We have reviewed this report and would make the following representations about it and some of the recommendations contained within it.

P.84 Town Centres and Retailing. Do you support a town centre first approach for Mid Ulster?

We agree with the recommendation that the Council proceed with the town centre first approach and that the retail policies of the draft plan are carried through to the LDP. It is vital that primary retail cores of Dungannon, Cookstown and Magherafelt are given priority when it comes to retail development.

P.89. Should existing town centre boundaries be extended and if so where? Are there any opportunity sites which should be included within the town centre boundaries?

We believe that opportunity sites within the town centre should be identified now and included within the primary retail core of Dungannon and not just reviewed at a later date as has been recommended. These sites will help provide for a larger mix of retailer provision and greater depth of choice that will improve the viability and vitality of the existing town centre. We propose that the large site at the rear of 18-20 Scotch St Dungannon is designated an opportunity site for retail or office development.

P.90 Are you in agreement with the extent of the primary retail core?

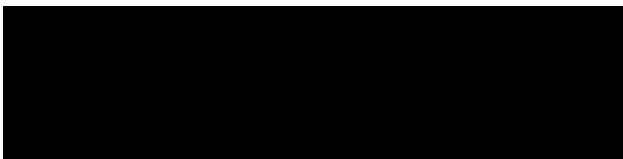
We are not in agreement with the limit chosen for the proposed extension of the existing primary retail core in Dungannon and would propose that it is extended further to include the large car park to the rear of 18-20 Scotch St and any other opportunity sites.

P.96. Office Development in town centres.

We believe that town centres are also well suited to financial and professional office development and agree with the recommendations the Council include a policy for office development within its policy for Town centres and Retailing.

We would ask the Council to review its proposals for town centres and retailing and include the suggestions made above. We would welcome the opportunity to make any further representation both in writing or at an oral hearing.

Yours Sincerely

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Orla Mulholland (secretary Airfield Enterprises)