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**Re: Proposed Material Amendments to the Draft Roscrea Local Area Plan 2023 – 2029**

The National *Sustainable Mobility Policy*<sup>1</sup> (SMP) was published in April 2022 with a target of delivering at least 500,000 additional daily active travel and public transport journey, and a 10% reduction in kilometres driven by fossil-fuelled cars, by 2030. This ambition has since been superseded by updated targets in the Climate Action Plan 2023, namely 1.4 million additional daily sustainable journeys and a 20% reduction in total vehicle kilometres travelled by 2030

The SMP is built around three principles of safe and green mobility; people focused mobility; and better integrated mobility. Further information and a full list of actions can be found as part of the Action Plan at <https://www.gov.ie/en/publication/848df-national-sustainable-mobility-policy/>.

In making or amending any Local Area Plans, local authorities should have regard to the principles and objectives of the SMP, ensuring LAPs are drafted in line with these objectives

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as well as any further advice or guidelines issued on foot of further iterations of the Climate Action Plan or SMP Action Plan.

While noting the above, the department is supportive of Tipperary County Council's objectives for 'Movement and Connections', particularly in relation to creating safer environments for pedestrians and road users and in the rethinking of parking provision in Roscrea Town Centre.

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