

A new Submission has been received to the Draft Thurles Local Area Plan 2024-2030

**Submission ID: TLAP-21** 

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**Organisation:** Presentation Primary School Thurles

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**Submission Text:** With regards to the Draft Thurles Local Area Plan 2024-2030, on behalf of the Board of Management of Presentation Primary School, I wish to submit the following observations, comments and concerns for your consideration.

We are very concerned that the proposal to change Mitchel Street to a one-way street will hinder access to our school and cause a number of unforeseen issues regarding our site. It is imperative that parents continue to have ease of access to our school. We have over 250 families accessing our site each day as well as a staff of over 40. We don't believe that the proposed changes do anything to benefit access to our busy school. It is imperative that Mitchel Street remains two-way as far as Butler Court at a minimum but our preference would be for this change to be re-evaluated.

If this proposal goes ahead, there is a huge risk that motorists will begin to use our school access as a shortcut or 'Rat Run' at they would be able to drive down Butler Court Avenue, through our school grounds and exit back onto

system on Mitchel Street	
Secondly, we have previously requested that double yellow lines be added to Butler Court Avenue to prevent parking on the roadway. Please see attached a letter issued by to residents regarding this matter. We request that, as part of any works in the Mitchel Street area, school signage, traffic calming measures and double yellow lines on Butler Avenue form part of the interventions. At present cars are parking along Butler Avenue and causing chaos each morning as parents and staff enter the school grounds. Under the Planning Permission which was granted for the development of Butler Court, there is clear reference to parking in the designated car parks and the need for a traffic management system. We ask that this planning permission recommendation be honoured and enforced.	

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Att: Householder, Butler Court, Mitchel St, Thurles, Co Tipperary.

RE: Parking on access route to Presentation Primary School Thurles.

Dear householder,

I refer to correspondence received from the principal of Presentation Convent National School, Thurles regarding vehicular access during school hours to their property through Butler Court.

Safe and free access is currently severely curtailed by residents parking vehicles on the main access route from Mitchel St through to Presentation Convent National School and not utilising the one of the three designated car parking areas within the estate.

As per the Planning Conditions for the development, No 22 states: 'The development shall be carried out solely within the property ownership of the applicant. No part of the development shall encroach on the rights of adjoining property owners without the consent of the relevant owner.'

I would ask that all residents comply with the condition outlined and refrain from parking on the main access route to allow safe and free access for vehicles entering and exiting the Presentation Convent National School.

Your long-term co operation in this matter would be greatly appreciated.

Yours faithfully,

Snr Executive Engineer Thurles Municipal District.

