

Planning Policy of the Renmore Residents' Association

Introduction: The Renmore Residents' Association is dedicated to promoting, enhancing, and advocating for the well-being of the Renmore community. Our mission is to represent the collective views and interests of all Renmore residents.

Purpose of the Policy: To detail the Residents' Association's process for reviewing planning applications. We will **advocate for the positive development** of Renmore, focusing exclusively on issues that impact the **community's character, environment, and shared quality of life**, rather than private disputes.

While our volunteers do not hold formal planning qualifications, we are committed to acting in the **best interests of the community**. If an application is determined to be a **priority for the greater good**, we will seek guidance to help **support the collective community response**.

Planning Policy: The Renmore Residents' Association has established the following planning policy to guide our involvement in local development matters.

1. Individual and Small-Scale Developments:

- As a rule, the Association will not submit planning observations on behalf of individual households or small groups of residents where the impact of the proposed development is limited to immediate neighbours.
- If the individual household or small groups of residents wish to submit letters of observation or objections on the approved planning notice they should be sent to planning department at Galway city Council (see the instructions on [Planning Application Process | Galway City Council](#)).
- If the individual household or small groups of residents are aware of a breach of planning, they can submit letters to the planning department at Galway City Council and to local councillors giving details of breach of planning notice (enforcement steps are outlined by the Galway City Council on their website [here](#)).

2. Community-Wide Impact:

- The Association aims to notify residents of planning applications which may have community wide impact. Potential Examples of such community wide impact include:
 - Large-scale developments that lack sufficient community facilities, active transport options, etc.
 - Developments that impact public facilities, such as schools and sports facilities.
 - Developments that pose a risk to public safety.

Conclusion: The Renmore Residents' Association is committed to ensuring that the wider community is aware of any large-scale developments within our community. We will continue to collaborate with residents for responsible and sustainable development that enhances the quality of life in Renmore.

Reference information:

- <https://www.galwaycity.ie/services/planning-and-building/planning-application-process>
- <https://planning.localgov.ie/>