

Re: proposed graveyard at Annaghdown

I Brendan Lee am lodging an objection to the proposed graveyard plan at Annaghdown on a number of issues.

1. The proposed access is not on the main road from the existing graveyard but rather off a small rural road, known locally as boreen "Run Ray". This road goes back to Lough Corrib and is a dead end.
2. The proposed development plan for access and parking is totally insufficient for the volume of traffic on the day of a funeral. The behaviour of funeral traffic has not been risk assessed in the plan. It is a big concern the inadequate parking proposed will lead to a free for all to get parking blocking access for local residents, landowners and emergency services if needed. The plan states there are only 32 car parking spaces provided but does not suggest where the rest of the vehicles should park.
3. The proposed plan to widen the road, remove hedgerow, replace with a fence and lower down the wall would have a detrimental effect on the landscape of the area as the boreen is a local amenity for cyclists and daily walkers because of its scenic nature and views of lough Corrib.



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4. I refer to the Galway County Council Development plan 2022-2028 which contravenes this regarding traffic congestion, car parking difficulties and detracting from local amenities.
5. As council engineers have stated, the proposed plan for the graveyard will last for 20 to 30 years and what then? Is there a broader development plan moving forward for the next 100 years as the field beside the site is also for sale?



I understand the pressing need for a graveyard in Annaghdown but there is a better solution. Logic says you do not bring traffic down a one-way road and destroy the landscape for future generations.

I hope you take my points on board.

Brendan Lee

Annaghdown, Co. Galway

Brendan Lee 23rd May 2025.

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