

Observations Old Dundrum Shopping Centre

Dundrum is second major urban centre in county.

We have been residents in Dundrum for over 40 years (home owners) and have memories of Dundrum as a thriving village with bookshop, vegetable and fish shop, cafe and cake shop, flower shop, craft shop, hardware, wool and haberdashery shop. these shops have been mainly erased fro Dundrum and the rich tapestry of village life has deteriorated.

No provision has been made in planning for civic, cultural or community and services. There is no central meeting square for the community. Every village in Spain has a plaza for the community. When Dundrum Town Centre was being built the community was promised new facilities, new library for example, A new health centre is needed.

The height of buildings and percentage of residential buildings compared to non residential is not balanced -95% cf to 5% It is overbearing and mammoth in size and out of keeping with surrounding low rise and low density suburban environment.

Environmental issues relating to greenhouse gases need to be taken seriously.

The infrastructure will not cope with proposed future developments.

Are these apartments to be owner occupied or to be owned by an insurance company or a vulture fund? If so what opportunity is there for first time buyers -as we know rents will continue to rise annually.

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