

# Landscape Amenity Zoning



The zoning of land for particular purposes facilitates the orderly development of areas and can also provide levels of protection for sensitive landscapes within the County.

The current plan has categories of designations for rural areas, Rural Prime Special Amenity and Rural Secondary Special Amenity, Rural General, Industrial and Commercial. Prime special amenity areas constitute the most sensitive landscapes in the County and can accommodate very little or no development. Secondary special amenity areas are also sensitive landscapes but can accommodate a limited level of development. The areas designated as rural general constitute the bulk of the designated land within the County and are the least sensitive landscapes.

Areas throughout the County have also been designated for the possible development of windfarms. These include "Strategic Site Search Areas", "Open to Consideration" and "Unsuitable for Wind Development".

## What do you think?

- **What areas should be designated within each category?**
- **What policies should apply for each of the different designations?**
- **What criteria should be applied for different amenity designations?**