Chapter 40. Bunnanadden Village Plan

The Settlement Strategy for County Sligo designates Bunnanadden as a *village sustaining rural communities*. The village has adequate infrastructural capacity for small-scale development and can offer a viable alternative to rural one-off housing.

40.1 Village profile

Bunnanadden is located approximately midway between Tobercurry (8 km to the west), Ballymote (7 km to the north-east) and Gorteen (8 km to the south-east). Historically, the village has grown at the junction of the R-296 (Tobercurry to Ballymote Road) and the Achonry Road. The church, school, shop, pubs and 19th Century terraced houses are compactly arranged around this junction.

| Bunnanadden village assets | | |
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| Population | 2016 Census | 140 persons in the statistical Small Area containing Bunnanadden (which extends outside the mini-plan limit).320 persons in Cloonaghill ED |
| | 2011 Census | 159 persons in Cloonaghill ED |
| | % change | + 101.2% in Cloonaghill ED |
| Housing stock | 2016 Census | 84 dwellings |
| Service infrastructure | Water supply | Sourced from Lough Talt Regional Water Supply |
| | Wastewater treatment | 350 PE with spare capacity of approx. 194 PE |
| | Road network | Located along the R-296 |
| Social infrastructure | Schools | One primary school |
| | Churches | One church |
| | Sports facilities | A sports field is located approximately 2 km away, on the Gorteen Road |
| | Other assets | Community centre and creche |
| Sustainable transport | Train | Not available in the area |
| | Bus | Served by Bus Eireann route 476 and by the Local link |
| | Active travel | No current proposals |

| Bunnanadden village assets | | |
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| Architectural heritage | Protected Structures | None |
| Natural heritage and environment | Natura 2000 sites nearby | None |
| | Natural amenities | Wetland site to the west of the village |
| | Flood risk | None |

40.2 Village-specific objectives

Note: These objectives must be considered in conjunction with the urban development policies for towns and villages contained in **Chapter 10** of this Volume (Vol. 2) and the general development policies and objectives set out in Volume 3 of this Plan.

40.2.1 Natural heritage

A. Ensure the protection of the existing wetland area to the west of the village (refer to groundwater flood mapping on page 93 in Appendix 1 of the SFRA).

40.2.2 Village centre

A. Any development proposals on village-centre sites should create an attractive and coherent streetscape along the R-296, provide off-street car parking to the rear of the new buildings and include the provision of pedestrian linkages to adjoining lands.

40.2.3 Community facilities

A. Facilitate the development of a children's playground in the village.

40.2.4 Business and enterprise

A. Where feasible, require shared access, car-parking and services arrangements between existing and new developments on lands zoned BIE.