# Belmont Village Plan

## **Settlement Description**

**Settlement Context:** Belmont is located approximately 5km west of Ferbane and 3.7km north of Cloghan. The village core is centred on a crossroads with linear expansion along the constituent roads. The River Brosna and the Grand Canal are situated approximately 1km south of the village. High Street is located approximately 1.5km west of the village, where the Roman Catholic Church, Community Centre and National School are located.



Population Census 2016: 200 (- 4.30 % since Census 2011)

**Services and Facilities:** Shop, 2 no. Pubs, Bring Centre, Belmont Firewood Factory, ESB Fisheries Conservation. The village is served by the Local Link bus service.

Waste Water Treatment: Pumped to Ferbane Waste Water Treatment Plant

Water Supply: Moyclare Rural Water Supply Scheme

Broadband: High Speed Fibre Broadband

Appendix 2 of Volume 1 of the County Development Plan includes an Infrastructural Assessment Report which addresses infrastructure provision, deficiencies and investment proposals relating to the towns and villages.

### **Settlement Objectives**

#### **Housing and Sustainable Communities Objectives**

- SO1 To ensure that future growth is balanced and sustainable and is appropriate to the scale, size and character of the existing village.
- SO2 To encourage the consolidation of the village core particularly through the development of infill sites to create a compact, vibrant village.

#### **Economic Development and Regeneration Objectives**

- SO3 To maintain and expand the existing service and employment provision in the village commensurate with the size of the village.
- SO4 To promote physical and economic linkages between the village and the proposed Grand Canal Greenway and the River Brosna. This includes investigating the feasibility of providing a footpath / cycle link between the village and the Grand Canal, the River Brosna, Belmont Mills and Belmont House Stud.

#### **Healthy Place Making and Infrastructure Objectives**

- SO5 To seek the improvement, consolidation and expansion of the public lighting and footpath network in the village, including a footpath / cycle link to High Street, where feasible.
- SO6 To improve public amenities in the village, such as the provision of a communal open space area.
- SO7 To further enhance the public realm in the village through the enhancement of existing public open spaces and the provision of a focal feature in the village.



