




# OPR STRATEGIC PLANNING RESEARCH PROGRAMME 2023-2025

Live Projects 2020 Research Programme									
						Partner	Completion Date:		
Strand One Planning Issues	InPLACE Study: <i>Investigating Planning, Place-Making and Commuting</i>					ICLRD	Q2 2023		
	REFRAME: Landscape Character Assessment Toolkit					EPA	Q2 2023		
	EPA Five Year Assessment Report – <i>Achieving Climate Neutrality by 2050</i>					EPA	Q3 2023		
Strand Two Planning Performance	SEAWAY: <i>SEA public participation and performance criteria</i>					EPA	Q2 2024		
	 <b>Strand One: PLANNING ISSUES</b>			 <b>Strand Two: PLANNING PERFORMANCE</b>			 <b>Strand Three: PLANNING PRACTICE</b>		
	<i>Project</i>	<i>Delivery Option</i>	<i>Output</i>	<i>Project</i>	<i>Delivery Option</i>	<i>Output</i>	<i>Project</i>	<i>Delivery Option</i>	<i>Output</i>
Phase A	Brownfield Land Activation Measures: <i>Experiences/best practice</i>	P/DC	RSR	Quarries: <i>Development Plan and Section 261 of the Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended</i>	DC	CSP	Local Area Plan App: <i>Managing Timelines Software Tool</i>	DC	PA
	Compact Growth: <i>Case Studies (short films)</i>	P/DC	PA	Aviation & the Development Plan	DC	CSP	Planning for Employment Growth: <i>The development plan and employment lands</i>	DC	PN
	Rural Housing – <i>The story behind the statistics</i>	DC	RSR				Enforcement Practice Note	DC	PN
Phase B	Housing: 20-minute neighbourhood	CR	RSR	Biodiversity/Nature-based Solutions/Green Infrastructure: <i>Examining best practice in integrating green infrastructure, nature-based solutions and ecosystem services into the preparation of land use plans</i>	P/DC	CSP	Town Centre First, Heritage Health checks and Plan-making.	P/DC	CSP/DP
	2025 Public Realm Developments: <i>Case studies: examining pedestrian zones and climate action initiatives in Irish towns and cities</i>	P/DC	RSR	Transport Planning: <i>Setting and achieving modal shift targets in plan-making</i>	P/DC	CSP	'Measuring what matters' - Irish Development Plan Monitoring	P	CSP
<b>Delivery Route:</b> DC: OPR Directed & Commissioned    P: Partnerships    DP: Demonstration Project    CR: Contributor Role									
<b>Outputs:</b> RSR: Research Series Report    CSP: Case Study Paper    PN: Practice Notes    PA: Practice Applications									
<b>Policy areas to track and other topics that may emerge as potential additional research topics:</b>									
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>New Planning and Development Act</li> <li>National Planning Framework Review</li> <li>National Policy Architecture</li> <li>Marine Planning</li> <li>Shared Island Initiatives</li> </ul>			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>EU nature restoration law/National Restoration Plan</li> <li>Water and Planning Guidelines</li> <li>SEA and Health Impact Assessments</li> <li>EIA &amp; SEA Transboundary Consultation</li> </ul>			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>QGas – Further Development of the toolkit for Climate Assessment of DP.</li> <li>Housing for All - Housing for Different Cohorts – Crèche/childcare facilities, Student Accommodation, 18-35 and age-friendly accommodation.</li> </ul>			