I am a citizen of East Antrim with a keen interest in a healthy environment.

Comments:

Commenting on whole document.

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My comment considers the whole document and my disappointment that the Safeguarding of the Natural Environment is relegated to Topic 11 instead of Topic 1. Without the natural environment and the biodiversity it provides, society is nothing. We depend on healthy air, water and soil to exist but it is constantly attacked with continuing expansion of towns, roads and man made spaces. We cannot continue to expand into green countryside land grabbing and polluting what we basically depend on. A new approach is needed re. housing development to reduce expansion and reuse areas presently vacant and unused to create healthy communities not dependent on cars. Green spaces are vital for a healthy population and this should be the basis of future development, not as an add on to final plans.