

## Laura Crawford

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**From:** Margaret Anne McKillop  
**Sent:** 20 May 2024 10:17  
**To:** Denise Dickson  
**Subject:** Letter of support

Good Morning Denise

Letter Of Support for Application LA01 /2023/0133 F

I would like to express my support for Ciaran ODomhnaill and Meade MC Alister for a family home in Cushendall.

This is a young family who seek to reside on family land that lies beside Meade's parents home. The couple hope to avail of support offered by Meade's parents as they raise their young family and in turn in future years , they will be on hand to provide care and support should it be required for Meaves parents .

Its vital that young people in our rural communities feel that there is something here for them and that they can remain in the community .

This is a prime example of a young couple wanting to live in a area where one of them is from ,who are trying to contribute to society via the means to tackle rural poverty and isolation. It is clear that if they reside elsewhere the loss would be felt by numerous people in the community.

I feel that the rejection of their planning application stifles their future and by this the extension of the rural community.

As you are aware I am concerned by the lack of housing in the Cushendall area ,with our rural schools suffering and our sports clubs having to amalgamate. Our Rural towns and villages are the heart of our communities and is sole destroying to see so many leave and set up home elsewhere due to no houses within this area .

This proposal for a dwelling on this site will not be detrimental to the character of the rural area or indeed harm the setting of the town.

I think this application represents a good opportunity to round of the edge of settlement in this location .

I would plead with you as a local councillor to reconsider this Applications .

Cllr Margaret Anne Mc Killop

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