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Vision Statement

“To develop Waterford as a County, where the wellbeing of the community is enhanced through balanced economic development, the creation of attractive places to live and work and through the sustainable management of our natural assets as we strive to become a Green County.”

In achieving this vision, the following goals have been set:

1. Support and facilitate the development of **sustainable vibrant communities** and the provision of necessary supporting services and amenities;
2. Promote sustainable economic development through the development of **key strategic sites**, supporting and fostering **entrepreneurship** and building the foundations for a **knowledge based economy**;
3. Sustain rural communities by supporting **rural diversification** and sustainable tourism development;
4. Protect, enhance and promote access to the County’s **Built, Natural and Linguistic heritage**;
5. Manage the challenges of **climate change** and increased **flood risk**;
6. Develop County Waterford as the leader of the **green economy** by facilitating renewable energy infrastructure and promoting use of renewable energy among businesses and households throughout the County; and
7. Create an inclusive society by encouraging a **partnership approach** between statutory bodies, community groups and all other relevant stakeholders.

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