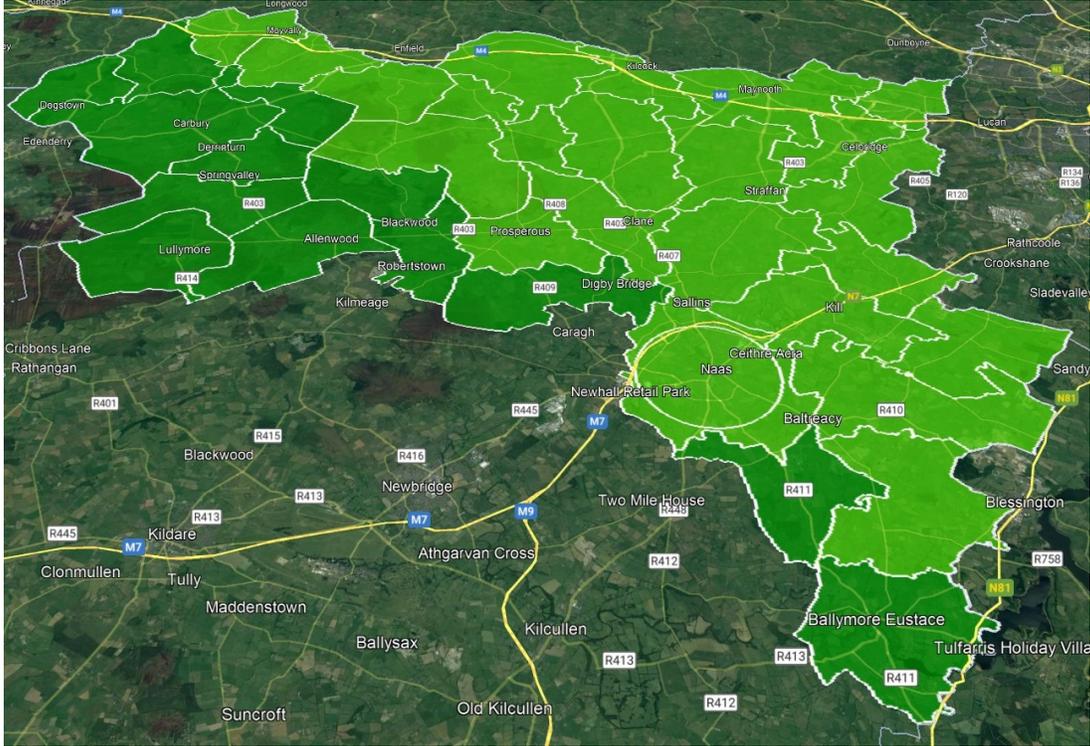


KILDARE NORTH BOUNDARY COMMISSION PROPOSAL



This proposal would see the addition of the following DEDs currently in Kildare South : *Ballymore, Carrick, Carbury, Donore, Drehid, Killashee, Kilmeague North, Kilpatrick, Kilrainy, Lullymore, Robertstown, Timahoe South and Windmill Cross.*

This would see a population transfer of 14,740 from Kildare South to Kildare North, bringing the latter to a total of 149,094.

In a 178 seat Dáil, this five seat constituency would be 3.8% above the national Population:Representative ratio; it would be 4.8% in a 180 seat Dáil.

On the western side, this transfer not only reunifies most of Clane Electoral Area within Kildare North, it also reunifies most of the Bog of Allen communities – which have a common identity and experience common issues - back into the one constituency where previously they had been sundered between North and South. Many of these communities are based close to the R403 which runs from Clane to Carbury within the constituency.

In the south restoring Ballymore and Killashee to Kildare North, would mean that Ballymore (which is in Naas Electoral area) would be in its natural hinterland of Naas with which it enjoys direct road access via the R111.

By DJ Moore