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Discover Groomsport is a community group with a particular interest in the history and heritage of the village. A registered charity, we work closely with, and are supported by, Council Community Development, Heritage and Tourism staff.

We note that, on pages 85 and 86, the Draft Plan Strategy Policy CS2 “Rural Landscape Wedges” is discussed and we agree with the statement that “it is essential that rural landscape wedges are protected from inappropriate development”.

We would wish to see the landscape wedge between Groomsport and Bangor maintained into the future. Recent reports in social media suggest that plans for a large retirement village are being prepared for land that is part of the landscape wedge. Should such a proposal seek planning permission we would expect the Council to uphold Policy CS2 and refuse it permission.

Peter Gibson

Secretary

Discover Groomsport