

Flood Risk Statement

**For the
Proposed variation of the
Castlebar & Environs Development Plan 2008-2014**

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Chapter 8 (Key Environmental Issues) of the Strategic Environmental Assessment (S.E.A.) Environmental Report of the Castlebar & Environs Development Plan 2008-2014 addressed flooding issues in the plan area.

The S.E.A. Screening report prepared on the proposed variation states that lands selected for residential development will be based on a number of factors relating to environmental sustainability, one of which is whether or not they are liable to flooding.

Certain areas of land within the plan area are identified as being liable to flooding, however much of this land has already been developed. Much of the lands identified as being liable to flooding are categorised as “benefiting lands”. Benefiting lands are defined as a dataset prepared by the Office of Public Works identifying land that might benefit from the implementation of Arterial (Major) Drainage Schemes (under the Arterial Drainage Act 1945) and indicating areas of land subject to flooding or poor drainage.

Four plots of land zoned for residential use in the plan area, totalling 13.74 hectares, have been identified as being liable to flooding/benefitting lands. The proposed variation to the Castlebar Town & Environs Development Plan proposes to rezone these plots of land to Rural Character¹.

An up-to-date report taken from the OPW National Flood Hazard Mapping website indicates no new flood events in the plan area (Figure 1).

All existing policies/objectives and development management standards in the current development plan relating to flooding are not affected by the proposed variation.

¹ Rural Character - It is an objective to protect the lands zoned rural character so that their future development potential can be realised in a strategically planned manner.

Summary Local Area Report

This Flood Report summarises all flood events within 2.5 kilometres of the map centre.

The map centre is in:

County: Mayo

NGR: M 145 905

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Map Scale 1:62,129

Map Legend	
	Flood Points
	Multiple / Recurring Flood Points
	Areas Flooded
	Hydrometric Stations
	Rivers
	Lakes
	River Catchment Areas
	Land Commission *
	Drainage Districts *
	Benefiting Lands *

* Important: These maps do not indicate flood hazard or flood extent. Thier purpose and scope is explained in the Glossary.

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Figure 1 – Flood Events

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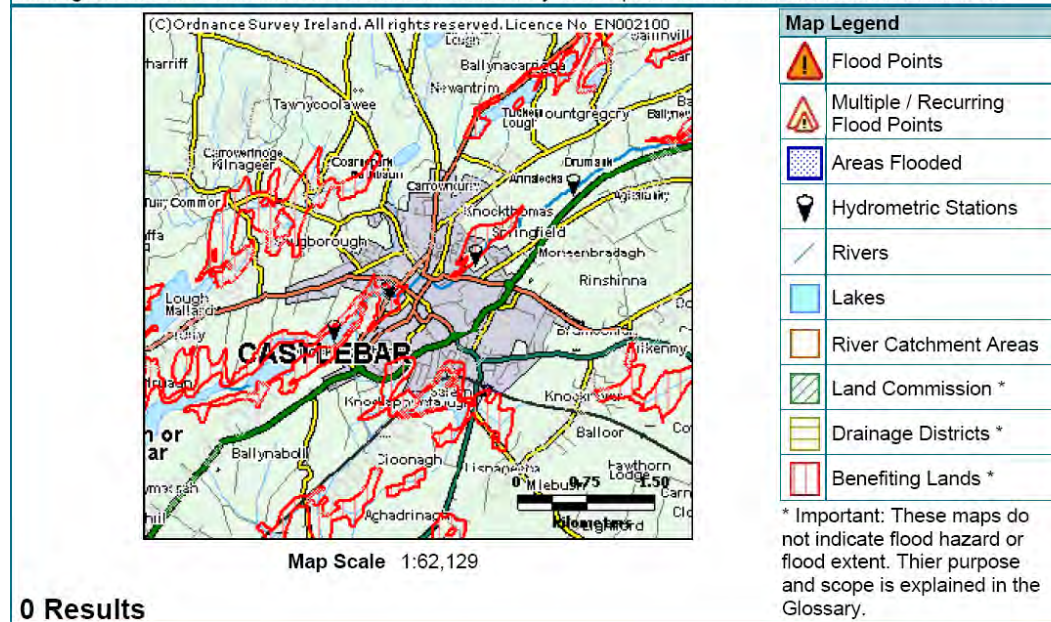


Figure 2 – Benefitting lands

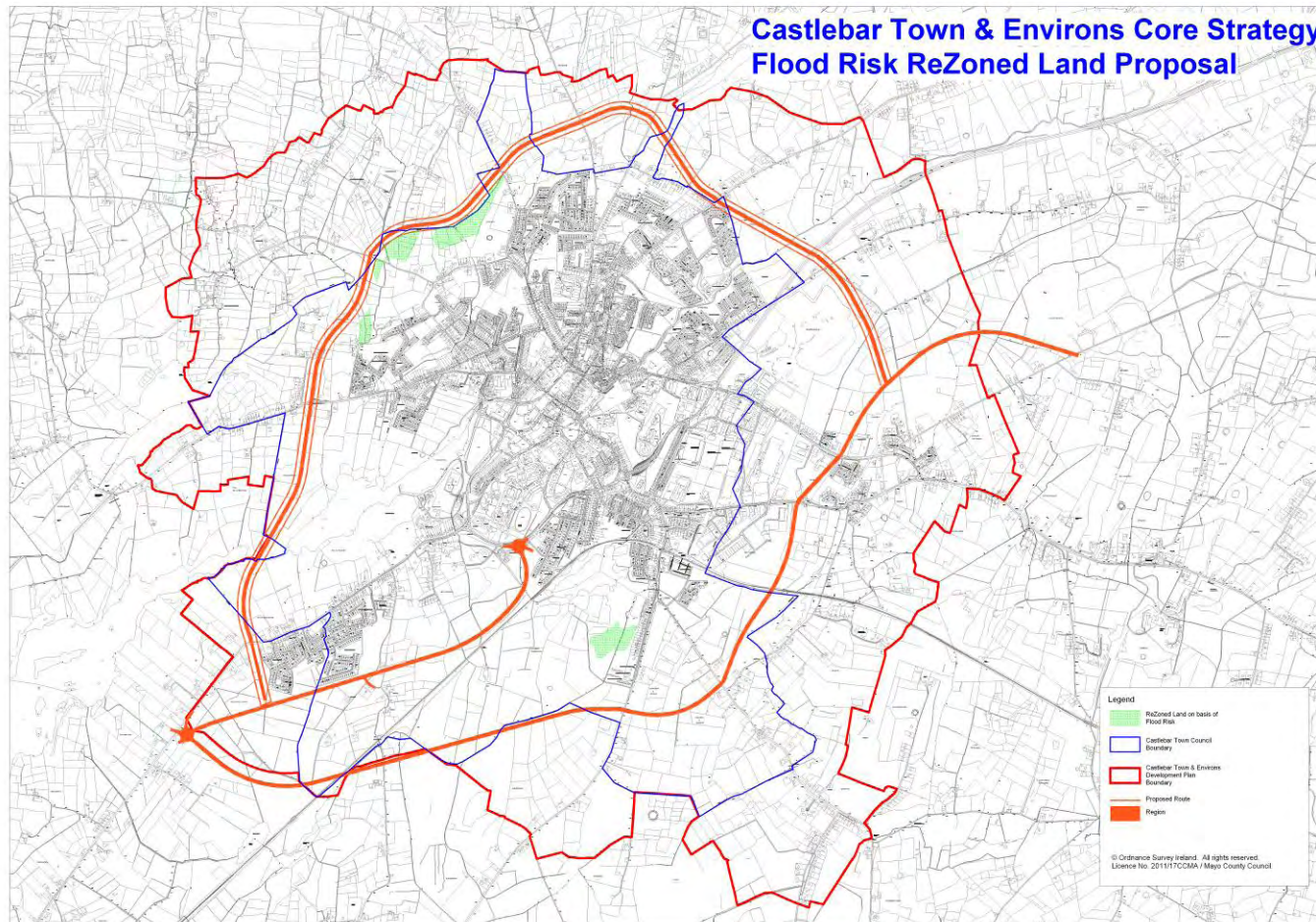


Figure 3 - Residential lands to be rezoned on the basis of flood risk