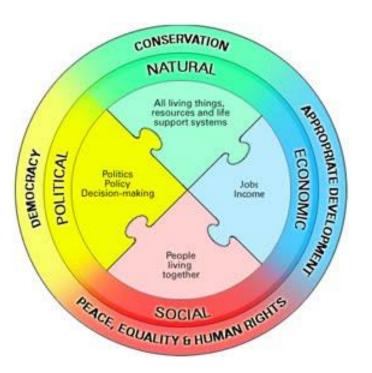
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To Mayo County Council
West-Mayo municipal district
31-May-2021
By Mulranny Decarbonizing
Zone Committee



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# Mulranry 2030 Vision (51% by 30)

In 2030, Mulranny will be an empowered community, with a low carbon economy, living in a thriving biosphere.



UNESCO 4 dimensions of Sustainable Development (UNESCO 2010)

#### **Track Record**, 2015-2021:

- Mayo Cathaoirleach's Award for Contribution to Local Heritage 2021
- Mayo Decarbonising Zone 2021
- Connaught Excellence in Placemaking Award 2020
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- Best Digital Marketing to Showcase Mayo 2019
- European Entente Florale Silver Medal 2019
- European Entente Florale Best Practice Award 2019
- European Entente Florale Certificate for Excellence 2019
- National Tidy Towns Bronze Medals 2017, 2018 & 2019
- National Water Conservation Award 2017
- Gold Award Best Responsible Tourism Destination 2016
- Overall Winner Ireland's Responsible Tourism Awards 2016
- Clean Coasts National Ocean Hero Group Award 2015
- GreenPlan© Accredited Village 2015









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#### Future Planning, 2015-2021:

- Mulranny Decarbonising Zone Plan 2021
- Mulranny Biodiversity Management Plan 2021
- Community Futures Plan 2016 2021
- Mulranny SEC Energy Master Plan 2019
- Mulranny National School Climate Action Ideas 2021
- Mulranny Greenplan©, 2015
- Community Electric Bike Initiative, 2021
- Mulranny Smarter Travel Initiative, 2021
- Wild Atlantic Nature Life Integrated Project, 2021
- Old Irish Goat 5-Year Strategy, 2021

## Mulranny 2030 Vision (51% by 30)

The Mulranny DZ Vision took inspiration from the 9 Planetary Boundaries (see figure 1) and the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (see figure 2), which combined provide a basis for a just transition. This idea has been captured in the concept of doughnut economic (see figure 3), which promotes the concept of safe environmental and social boundaries.

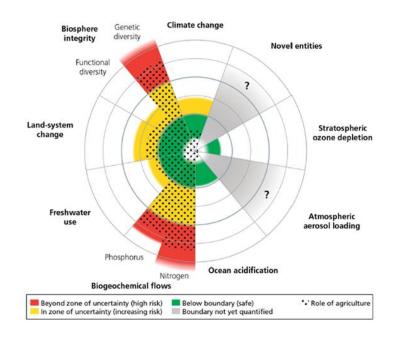


Figure 1: the 9 Planetary Boundaries



Figure 2: United Nations
Sustainable Development Goals

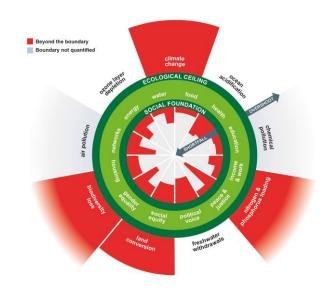


Figure 3: Doughnut Economics (combines both)

#### 2030 Vision Themes:

- 1. Participative Democracy
- 2. Community Energy Project
- 3. Social Solidarity Economy
- 4. Procurement
- 5. Smarter Travel
- 6. Regenerative Farming
- 7. Thriving Biosphere



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## 1. Participative Democracy Network

#### **Mulranny**:

- DZ Committee (2021)
- Sustainable Energy Community (2017)
- Community Futures (2008)
- 17 **PPN Groups** (2021)
- 13% Population Participation (2021)

#### Mayo:

- 10 DZ Committees
- (Population: 38,726, 30% of Mayo
- 1080km² land area, 19% of the area
- **SECs** (3#)
- Community Futures (33#)
- **PPN** (3 #)















**Engage 7 Principles of Cooperation** 

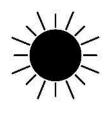
## 2. Community Energy Project

#### **Solar Powered Social Anchor Institutions:**

- Mulranny National School
- Saint Brendan's Village

#### 10 MW Agro-PV Farm:

- Power 2,000 homes
- Community ownership
- Community wealth building









Well begun is half done. Aristotle



**AGRO** Photovoltaic

## 3. Social Solidarity Economy

## Concerted community support for: Social Anchor Institutions:

- Mulranny National School
- Saint Brendan's Village
- 1. Reduce carbon footprints
- 2. Expand education + social care

#### **Economic Anchor Institutions:**

- Mulranny Park Hotel
- Nevins Newfield Inn
- 1. Reduce carbon footprints
- 2. Expand economic + personal development opportunities



Saint Brendan's Village

## 3. Social Solidarity Economy

**Concerted community support for:** 

#### The Gift of Hands Group

- Upcycles wool offcuts from Foxford,
- Sales outlet for 16 Mayo crafters,
- Outlets in Mulranny, Westport & Dublin
- Community wealth building,
- Funds community-led local development,
- Community-centric, circular, economy





Gift of Hands shop

#### 4. Procurement

## Ireland's Country Overshoot Day 2021 is: 27-Apr-2021

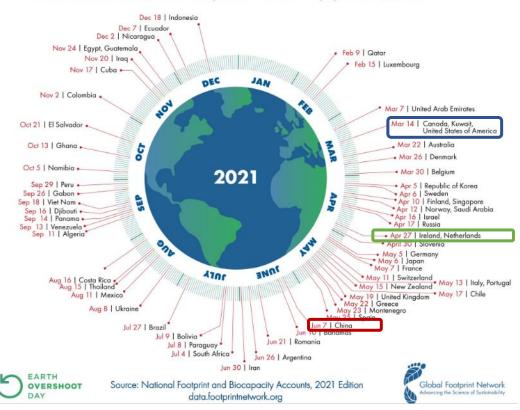
#### Per capita,

- Ireland: uses 3 planets per year
- USA/Canada: 4+ planets per year
- China: 2+ planets per year

We must drive transformative change with a sense of urgency

#### **Country Overshoot Days 2021**

When would Earth Overshoot Day land if the world's population lived like...



#### 5. Smarter Travel:

2010 Ireland's 1<sup>st</sup> Greenway
42 km, 160 Landowners, 250,000 Visitors in year 1, 200 jobs
Built for the present and future generations









The Great Western Greenway

#### 5. Smarter Travel:

2015 Mulranny Promenade a public place for pause and passers by, pedestrians, cyclists and bus passengers



**Mulranny N**59



**Mulranny Promenade** 

#### 5. Smarter Travel:

## Integrated smarter travel and tourism trails:

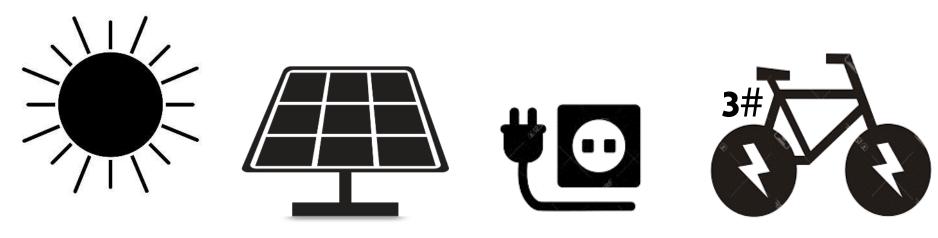
- Link social –
   economic anchor
   institutions and create
   behavioural change.
- Reduce short car journeys. Increase health and wellbeing. Support tourism jobs.
- Promoted by Failte Ireland Clew Bay Experience Plan



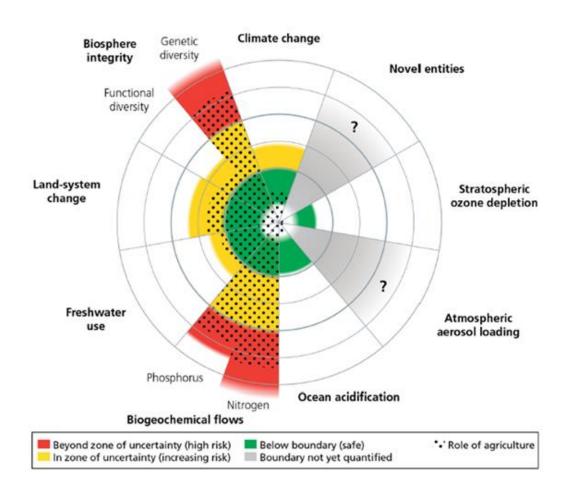
#### 5. Smarter Travel

N: Community Electric Bike Scheme @ Mulranny Tourist Office

- Link social economic anchor institutions and create behavioural change.
- Charged from renewable energy
- Free charging for e-bikes on Greenway
- Reduce short car journeys. Increase health and well-being. Support tourism jobs.
- Supported by LEADER, accelerating smarter travel in Mulranny in 2021



## 6. Regenerative Farming



The Regenerative Farming and Thriving Biosphere themes are critically important to address 4 of the 9 Planetary Boundaries that are known to be of increasing or high risk; Climate Change, Biosphere Integrity (genetic and functional diversity), Land Use Systems, Freshwater Use, and Biochemical Flows (nitrogen and phosphorous).

## 6. Regenerative Farming

Group Water Schemes, utilised Nature based solutions implemented by farmers & landowners

3 Mayo Group Water Schemes were the 1<sup>st</sup> to achieve ISO 9001 EU Certification consistent supply of wholesome and clean water that meets European Communities (Drinking Water) (No. 2) Regulations 2007)







## 6. Regenerative Farming

Nature based solutions on Mulranny Coastline with farmers & commonage landowners, 1996 to date







1996

2003

2006

## 7. Thriving Biosphere

Build on a track record of nature based solutions implemented by farmers:

- Increase coastal resilience
- Carbon sequestration on farmlands and uplands
- Mulranny 42 sq km area dominated by peatlands, demonstrator for rural areas
- Nature based solutions could stay global temperatures by 0.1 to 0.3oC



THE NEPHIN MOUNTAIN RANGE

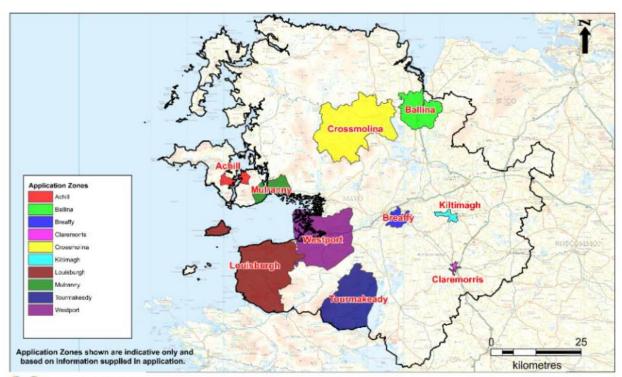
## **Public Interest**

#### **Mulranny**:

- 36 letters of support
- DZ Committee of 15
- Sustainable Energy Community
- Greenplan© Group
- 17 PPN Groups

#### Mayo:

- Submitted application for Creative Climate Ireland Funding
- to develop our shared vision &
- to help communicate and visualise the vision



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Mayo Decarbonisation Zone - Map of Application Zones

Thank You for Your Time
Mulranny Decarbonizing Zone Committee



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