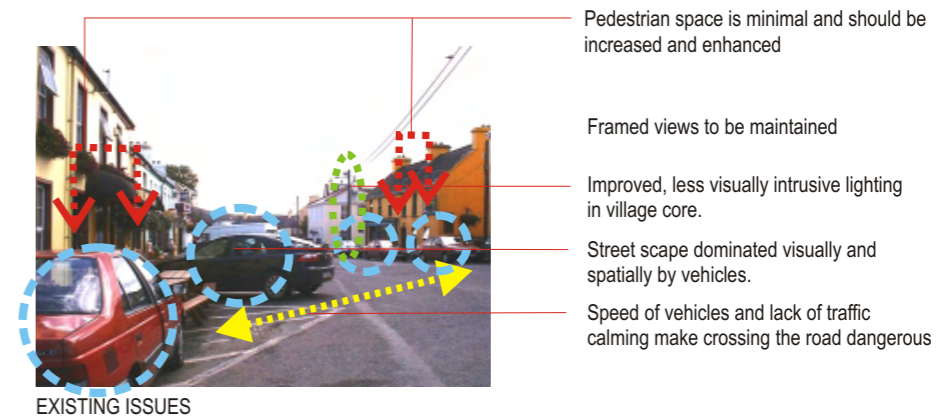


**LEGEND**

	Built form		Field and ownership boundaries		Proposed Trees
	Roadway		Existing Trees		Proposed Shrub planting
	River		Existing hedgerow		
	New footpaths		Existing pathways		
	New pathways				



- ① **PROPOSED ENVIRONMENTAL IMPROVEMENTS**
- Shared surface across roadway to give priority to pedestrian movements.
  - Contemporary design street lighting
  - Wide footpaths to encourage outdoor eating and an active street scape.
  - Formalised parking.
  - Tree planting to mark road junction. They also have the effect of enclosure and visually soften distant views down the street.

**RECOMMENDATIONS AND PROPOSALS**

- The following existing features of Durrus village should be protected and enhanced to create a unique and picturesque village in the future:
  - The church and graveyard on approach to the village from Sheeps Head direction as visual and cultural feature.
  - The colourful buildings within the village core and the interesting street scape they create.
  - The riverside corridor including village core park indicated in the County Development Plan 1996. The river had importance in terms of visual and recreation amenity and should also be considered ecologically important.
  - Copse of trees for enclosure of the village core creating a setting and providing shelter for the settlement.
- The following proposals seek to develop a neat, legible, sustainable, unique and safe village core environment in Durrus:
  - new footpaths for connection of the main community facilities within the village ie Church, shop and school.
  - new street scape in village core to be formalised and uncluttered by haphazard parking.
  - entrance gateway features on approach to the village including rumble strips, avenue tree planting and decorative signage.
  - shared surface in the core of the village to prioritise pedestrian movement and create a central focus for the surrounding area.
  - improvement of riverside park and inclusion of a riverside walkway to provide connections with GAA facilities.
  - New development on the sloping hill north of Durrus to be well vegetated with semi mature trees so to integrate into the surrounding landscape. .