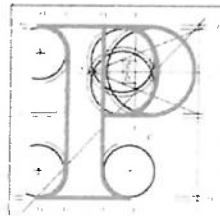


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Finn Wheelers Cycling Club
c/o Gráinne McDermott
63 Glebe Hollow
Stranorlar
Donegal

F93 C2R6

Date: 23 September 2026

Re: Proposed Development of the Barnesmore Gap Greenway Project
County Donegal

Dear Sir / Madam,

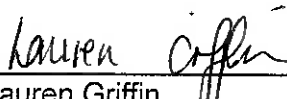
An Coimisiún Pleanála has received your recent submission (including your fee of €50) in relation to the above-mentioned proposed road development and will take it into consideration in its determination of the matter.

Please note that the proposed road development shall not be carried out unless the Commission has approved it or approved it with modifications.

If you have any queries in the meantime, please contact the undersigned officer of the Commission at laps@pleanala.ie

Please quote the above mentioned An Coimisiún Pleanála reference number in any correspondence or telephone contact with the Commission.

Yours faithfully,



Lauren Griffin
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SID Online Observation

Online Reference
SID-OBS-006102

Online Observation Details

Contact Name
Gráinne McDermott

Lodgement Date
22/09/2026 21:15:18

Case Number / Description
324568

Payment Details

Payment Method
Online Payment

Cardholder Name
Gráinne McDermott

Payment Amount
€50.00

Fee Refund Requisition

Please Arrange a Refund of Fee of

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Lodgement No

LDG—

Reason for Refund

Documents Returned to Observer

☐ Yes

☐ No

Request Emailed to Senior Executive Officer for Approval

☐ Yes

☐ No

Signed

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Date

Finance Section

Payment Reference

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Checked Against Fee Income Online

EO/AA (Accounts Section)

Amount

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Refund Date

Authorised By (1)

SEO (Finance)

Authorised By (2)

Chief Officer/Director of Corporate Affairs/SAO/Board
Member

Date

Date

Submission in Support of the Barnesmore Gap Greenway

Submitted by Finn Wheelers Cycling Club, Ballybofey

Finn Wheelers Cycling Club wishes to express its strong support for the proposed Barnesmore Gap Greenway linking Ballybofey/Stranorlar and Donegal Town.

The route between Stranorlar and Donegal Town is regularly used by our members for training and recreational cycling and serves as an important connection with cyclists and cycling clubs throughout the county. While it is a popular route, it presents significant safety challenges for cyclists due to the volume and speed of vehicular traffic.

Safety is the principal reason for our support of this project. Over the years, our members have experienced several dangerous incidents while cycling on this road. Most notably, one of our members sustained serious injuries after being struck by a motor vehicle. Such incidents highlight the need for dedicated, segregated infrastructure that provides a safe environment for cyclists and other vulnerable road users.

The proposed Greenway will deliver substantial benefits to the wider community by providing a safe and accessible route for walking and cycling. It will encourage greater participation in active travel and outdoor recreation, improve connectivity between communities, and enhance the quality of life for residents and visitors alike.

In addition, the Greenway has the potential to become a significant recreational and tourism asset for County Donegal, showcasing the natural beauty of the Barnesmore Gap while contributing positively to the local economy.

Finn Wheelers Cycling Club believes that the Barnesmore Gap Greenway represents an important investment in the safety, health and wellbeing of present and future generations and fully supports its development.

Yours faithfully,

Gráinne McDermott

Secretary, Finn Wheelers Cycling Club