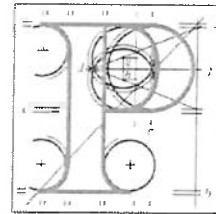


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**Date:** 03 January 2024

**Re:** N6 Galway City Ring Road  
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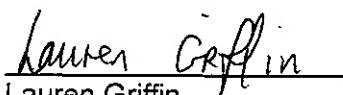
Dear Sir / Madam,

An Bord Pleanála has received your recent letter in relation to the above mentioned proposed road development. The contents of your letter have been noted.

If you have any queries in relation to this matter please contact the undersigned officer of the Board at [laps@pleanala.ie](mailto:laps@pleanala.ie)

Please quote the above-mentioned An Bord Pleanála reference number in any correspondence or telephone contact with the Board.

Yours faithfully,



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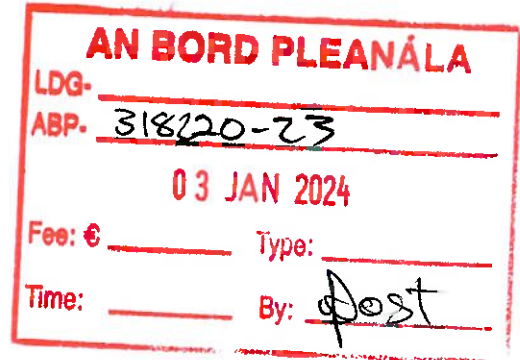
## Comhairle Chontae na Gaillimhe Galway County Council

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20 December 2023

N6 Galway City Ring Road  
ABP Reference: ABP-318220-23



Dear Ms Thornton

Thank you for your letter dated 6 December 2023.

We note that An Bord Pleanála (the "Board") in accordance with, as we understand it, section 217B(4)(a) of the Planning and Development Act 2000 (as amended), requires Galway County Council to submit further information, being:-

1. to update the Motorway Scheme and the proposed road development;
2. make submissions on the most recent Climate Action Plan and the implications of the Galway City Development Plan 2023-2029;
3. update the EIAR; and,
4. update (i) the AA Screening Report and (ii) the NIS.

In this regard, given what is involved, Galway County Council believes that it will be in a position to provide this further information to the Board within [9] months of today's date, namely on or before 20 September 2024, and Galway County Council will advise the Board if there is any change to that proposed date. We trust that this is to the Board's satisfaction.

Further, we note that the penultimate paragraph on page 1 of the Board's letter states as follows:

*"Having regard to the alterations referred to above, the road authority is also requested under section 217B(4)(b) to submit a revised environmental impact assessment report with your response."*

In circumstances where it does not appear as though the content of the Board's letter contains a statement that the Board has formed a provisional view that the scheme should be approved (which is the condition precedent to exercising further information powers under section 217B(4)(b) of the Planning and Development Act 2000 (as amended)), and specific alterations have not been identified in the Board's letter, it is assumed that the reference to "section 217B(4)(b)" should actually be read as "section 217B(4)(a)". If, however, we have misunderstood the position in this regard, the Board will doubtless confirm its position.

Yours faithfully



Derek Pender

Director of Services, Infrastructure and Operations