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I acknowledge receipt of the Planning documentation and the opportunity to make a submission in relation to Foynes to Limerick Road (including Adare Bypass).

One of the greatest difficulties faced by County Kerry is its peripherality. The provision of proper external infrastructural linkages from the County to national and international infrastructural networks greatly minimises this challenge. The provision of this key piece of infrastructure will make County Kerry a more attractive location for industry and as a location in which to live, work and provide employment. In addition, reduced journey times will greatly enhance Kerry's established tourism sector while enabling secondary benefits to disseminate to the wider region through increased visitor numbers and increased regional overnight stays.

Chapter 7, Transport and Infrastructure, of the Kerry County Development Plan 2015 - 2021 articulates the need to improve connectivity to the County. In particular, Section 7.2 states that it is an aim to;

achieve a sustainable, efficient and integrated transport system, high quality connectivity and ease of movement within and to County Kerry by enhancing the existing strategic transportation infrastructure, in terms of the road, rail and public transport network, together with cycleway and pedestrian facilities.

Kerry Local Economic and Community Plan 2016 - 2021 also identifies Kerry's connectivity to the main urban locations and international airports via N21 and the N22 as one of the infrastructural weaknesses serving the County. The development of the Adare by-pass is identified as one of the Key Actions (Action 1.11.1.3) necessary to maximise the connectivity of the County.

Kerry County Council, therefore, fully supports the construction of the Foynes to Limerick Road (including Adare Bypass).



Yours sincerely

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