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Please could you acknowledge receipt of this letter,

Kind regards, Catriona

An Coimisiún Pleanála

Catriona Cronin Wellingtonbridge Co. Wexford.

Reference: 322985 (Roches Campsite, Clonmines, Co. Wexford)

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