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Pierce Kavanagh Economic Development Officer Local Enterprise Office, Economic Development & Special Project Development Carlow County Council

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Re: - Enterprise Campus Development Pre-Part 8

Pierce,

I refer to the pre part 8 process circulated to staff in accordance with the Part 8 procedure. Carlow Community Section fully support the development of the Enterprise Campus Development, at O'Brien Road, Carlow. The Local Economic and Community Plan (LECP) 2016 – 2021 vision is to create vibrant, sustainable, self-determining communities that have the social, cultural and economic well-being of all its people at their core.

A SWOT analysis and Action 2.2.1-2.2.4 of the LECP Action Plan states as a high-end goal an ambition to 'Strengthen and promote a thriving and sustainable enterprise culture in County Carlow'. The associated strategic objective is 'To facilitate the development of an innovative and entrepreneurial culture'. Action 2.5.1 identifies the requirement 'To grow and further develop key sectors' while Action 2.6.2 supports the requirement to 'Strengthen and promote a thriving and sustainable enterprise culture in County Carlow'.

The proposed redevelopment of the Enterprise Campus is in keeping with the vision in the LECP. The proposal will also enhance the area and provide investment, training and employment opportunity in an identified area of disadvantage. I would fully support the proposed Part 8 development of an Enterprise Campus for the social and community benefit.

Brian O'Donovan,

Senior Executive Officer.

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