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Brendan Hegarty Chief Executive

Dear Sir/Madam,

Local Development Plan 2030: Draft Plan Strategy - Statutory Consultation.

I write to you in accordance with Regulations 2 and 15(c) of the Planning (Local Development Plan) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2015 (the 'LDP Regulations') to advise that the Council will publish its Draft Plan Strategy ('PS') for public consultation on Friday 26th October 2018.

The Draft Plan Strategy is the first of two documents which will comprise the Council's Local Development Plan and it sets out the Council's Vision and Strategic Objectives of the Council to 2030. It contains a Spatial Growth Strategy which identifies how much housing should be provided and where it should be located; the number of jobs expected to be created by 2030; how much land is required for industry and business and where it should be located. It contains development management policies which will apply across the Council area which will be used to make day-to-day decisions on a range of topics including housing, retailing, industry and business and renewable energy.

The Draft Plan Strategy is accompanied by a Sustainability Appraisal Report [including Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA)], an Equality Screening Report, Rural Needs Impact Assessment and Habitats Regulation Assessment (HRA) along with background papers and studies.

We welcome your views on the PS which will be available to view online, along with supporting documents, from Friday 26th October 2018 at: <u>www.fermanaghomagh.com</u> or in hard copy at the Council's Planning Office in Omagh (see address below) or Council Offices at: The Grange, Mountjoy Road, Lisnamallard, Omagh, Co Tyrone, BT79 7BL; Townhall, 2 Townhall Street, Enniskillen, Co Fermanagh, BT74 7BA.

A series of public engagement events are planned throughout the District commencing on 6th November 2018. Details of these may be viewed on the Council's website.

Your response to this document should be based on soundness tests as set out in Dfl's Development Plan Practice Note (DPNN) 06 (see www.infrastructure-ni.gov.uk). These should be submitted via the online PS Representations Form or by email to: developmentplan@fermanaghomagh.com.

Alternatively you may send your comments to the Development Plan Team at the following address: Planning Department, Strule House, 16 High Street, Omagh, BT78 1BQ.

The 8 week public consultation period will end at **12.00 noon on Friday 21st December 2018**. Representations received after this time will not be accepted.

Yours faithfully

Hilda Clements Principal Planning Officer Local Development Plan