

Minister Simon Coveney TD  
National Planning Framework Submissions  
Forward Planning Section  
Department of Housing, Planning, Community and Local Government  
Custom House  
Dublin 1  
D01 W6X0

31<sup>st</sup> March 2017

**RE: Stakeholder Support for Cork 2050 - A Joint Submission by Cork County Council and Cork City Council to the National Planning Framework**

Dear Minister Coveney

Cork 2050 is a Joint Submission by Cork County Council and Cork City Council to the National Planning Framework and was prepared following extensive consultation with key stakeholders.

We understand many of our stakeholder organisations will make submissions directly to the Ireland 2040 initiative. However we are pleased to be in a position to enclose cross-sectoral Expressions of Support for Cork 2050 on behalf of some key stakeholders, including the Members of the Cork Development Forum which represents a wide range of key public and private stakeholders as indicated in their attached submission. We believe this support serves to underline the unique capacity of Cork County Council and Cork City Council to develop a meaningful strategic proposition that can align competing interests to deliver inclusive growth that will be sustainable over the longer term, through a process of collaborative leadership.

We look forward to working with you and the National Planning Framework Team over the coming months such that we can contribute fully to the Ireland 2040 initiative.

Sincerely



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Chief Executive  
Cork County Council



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**CORK** DEVELOPMENT  
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Re: Ireland 2040 – National Planning Framework Submission

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Dear Minister Coveney

The members of the Cork Development Forum take this opportunity to commend the ongoing work of the Department of Housing, Planning, Community and Local Government in driving the national agenda towards the development of a future focused, strategic, integrated and complementary plan for the future of Ireland and commend the emphasis on strengthening both the region's and Ireland's national positioning on an international basis.

Cork Development Forum stakeholders have engaged thoroughly in consultations as part of the process towards developing the joint Cork County Council and Cork City Council submission to the National Planning Framework – Cork 2050, and believe that this submission strongly captures the vast potential of the Cork region as a complementary location to Dublin, and as the location best positioned as regards scale, capacity, track record, available natural resources and future real potential to successfully drive significant growth on a national and international platform.

To date, the region and in particular the Metropolitan Cork area, has proven its capacity as the economic engine of the South of Ireland, and has grown its presence through strong collaboration both regionally and nationally. Due to geographical positioning, Cork has the proximity to drive the development of locations across the Southern Region.

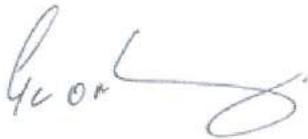
Cork 2050 emphasises a strategic plan led approach to an integrated economy and property market, reinforced by a vibrant and thriving Metropolitan Cork area. It details the capacity and capability of the Cork region to drive strategic planned development to absorb an increasing population and drive economic growth. Cork Development Forum asserts that Cork, based on its track record and current standing as the largest county and Ireland's second most populous Metropolitan area, it is ideally placed as the logical location to drive effective growth. As stakeholders invested in the vision for Cork, we lend full support to the Cork 2050 submission.

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In conclusion, Cork Development Forum firmly support the Cork 2050 submission which not only encompasses the vision to 2040, but goes one step further in future casting to Cork 2050, highlighting a long-term vision which is supported across the region. As stakeholders in support of this, we highlight the value-add on a regional and national basis that the Cork region can bring, and the value of working in collaboration to drive growth across all regions through a strong regional core.

Yours Sincerely



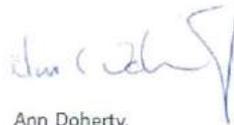
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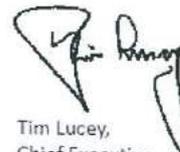
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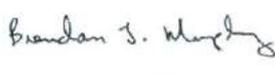
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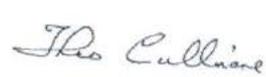
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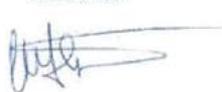
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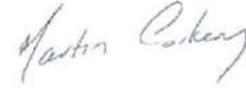
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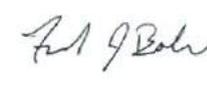
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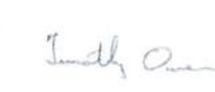
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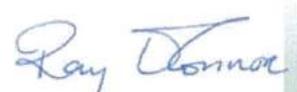
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Dear Minister Coveney

Cork Chamber takes this opportunity to commend the ongoing work of the Department of Housing, Planning, Community and Local Government in driving forwards such a significant plan for the future of Ireland. We commend the emphasis on strengthening both the regions' and Ireland's positioning on an international basis.

The Chamber has engaged thoroughly in consultations as part of the process towards developing the joint Cork County Council and Cork City Council submission to the National Planning Framework – Cork 2050. We believe that this submission strongly captures the potential of the Cork region as a complementary location to Dublin, and as the location best positioned as regards scale, capacity, track record, available natural resources and future real potential to successfully drive significant growth on a regional, national and international platform. Cork 2050 is a regional engine for balanced economic growth linking effectively with other locations in the Region to maximise the overall contribution to the National economy.

Cork 2050 emphasises a strategic plan led approach to an integrated economy and property market, reinforced by a vibrant and thriving City and Metropolitan region. It details the capacity and capability of the Cork region to absorb an increasing population, to drive strategic planned development and strong economic growth.

Cork Chamber fully supports the Cork 2050 submission which not only encompasses the vision to 2040, but goes one step further to map the route to 2050, highlighting a long-term vision which is supported across the region. As stakeholders in support of this, we highlight the value-add on a regional and national basis that the Cork region can bring, and the value of working in collaboration to drive growth across all regions through a strong regional core.

Yours Sincerely

**Barrie O'Connell**  
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# CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRY FEDERATION

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**Re: Cork 2050 - A Joint Submission by Cork County Council and Cork City Council to the National Planning Framework**

Dear Minister,

The Cork Branch of the Construction Industry Federation are pleased to support the joint submission by Cork County Council and Cork City Council to the National Planning Framework, titled Cork 2050.

We believe that the submission and the NPF process offers a unique opportunity for the Cork Region to be designated an accelerated centre of growth under the NPF.

With a population of over 542,000 people, and growing rapidly, the Region has significant capacity and capability to expand in a sustainable manner given its unique urban characteristics, rural hinterland and infrastructure. It has demonstrated over the last 20 years, in particular, an ability to grow organically in terms of population growth and economic output. The Cork region is currently acting as the main driver of economic and population growth outside the Dublin Region and is well placed to sustainably grow as an inclusive and diverse location.

To underpin its growth as a complementary location to the Dublin Region, the provision of infrastructure under the National Planning Framework is a vital component.

We look forward to further engagement in the National Planning Framework process.

Yours sincerely,



**Conor O'Connell**  
**REGIONAL DIRECTOR – SOUTHERN REGION**





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RE: Cork 2050: Realising the Full Potential

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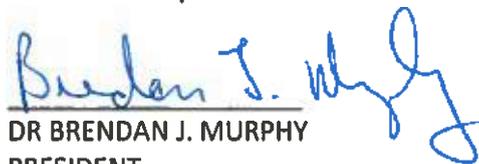
Cork Institute of Technology supports the joint submission made to the National Planning Framework by Cork City and County Councils, "Cork 2050: Realising the Full Potential".

In particular, we welcome the ambition and vision demonstrated for the wider region, in terms of population growth and infrastructural development. We further welcome the acknowledgement of education as a key driver of economic, social and cultural development across the region, and the opportunity for enhanced internationalisation.

We believe that Cork Institute of Technology can make a significant contribution to the broader agenda under a number of the headings, including to Cork's maritime potential through the activities of the National Maritime College of Ireland. Our STEM provision will be an underlying strength of any investment in the broader Cork region, given the quality and diversity of our graduates in this area. Our research and innovation, our relationships with industry, and our strength in entrepreneurship, will provide particularly strong supports for a growing regional economy.

Finally, we welcome the partnership approach adopted in the development of this submission, and believe that this is evidence of the huge potential for Cork to act as a driver of regional and national growth in the years ahead.

Yours faithfully



DR BRENDAN J. MURPHY  
PRESIDENT

31<sup>st</sup> March 2017

Ms. Ann Bogan  
Senior Planner  
Planning Policy Section  
Strategic Planning and Economic Development Directorate  
Cork City Council  
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**Cork 2050 National Planning Framework Submission**

Dear Ann,

UCC is delighted to offer full support to this submission by GVA on behalf of Cork City and Cork County Council.

We look forward to engaging fully with this process.

Yours sincerely

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Mark Poland  
Director of Buildings and Estates

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**Re: Cork 2050 - A Joint Submission by Cork County Council and Cork City Council  
to the National Planning Framework**

Dear Minister Coveney,

I was involved in the consultation process with Cork County Council and Cork City Council.

I was I am pleased to write in support of the joint submission by Cork County Council and Cork City Council to the National Planning Framework.

Yours sincerely.

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T. OWENS,  
Chief Executive.



Minister Simon Coveney T.D.  
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**Re: Joint National Planning Framework Submission  
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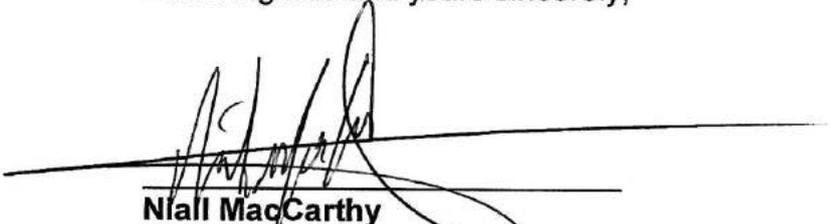
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Dear Minister Coveney,

We are writing to confirm our full support for the joint submission made by Cork City and County to the National Planning Framework process. We were consulted and engaged, have reviewed the draft and support the contents of the submission.

We welcome this exciting opportunity for Cork to input into what will be a key strategic document that will shape the course of growth over the next 20 years.

Best Regards and yours sincerely,



**Niall MacCarthy**  
Managing Director, Cork Airport



Date 31<sup>st</sup> March 2017

Attention NPF

The Port of Cork Company endorses the objectives for Cork Harbour as set out in Cork 2050 with regard to Infrastructure, Planning Processes, Tourism, Leisure, the Blue Economy, and Sustainable Energy. We actively participate in promoting all of these initiatives as part of our remit as a Port Authority and recognize that Ireland's unique environment and the health and wellbeing of our population is also a key competitive advantage of our region.

Port of Cork Company will also be making an individual submission to the Department of Housing, Planning, Community and Local Government in respect of the proposed National Planning Framework.

The purpose of this document is to provide more specific details of infrastructure and processes, and to emphasise the critical role of the Port in influencing the spatial pattern of the development of the Cork region its critical role in supporting the future economic and employment growth locally and nationally.

Port of Cork Company wishes to acknowledge and express its support for the Cork 2050 submission to the NPF, jointly prepared by Cork City Council and Cork County Council. In particular the Port of Cork Company acknowledges the objectives and proposals in relation to the current and future role of the Port and of Cork Harbour in a local regional and national context as set out in the Cork 2050 submission.

Accordingly the Port of Cork submission document may be viewed as complimenting the Cork 2050 submission.

Yours faithfully



Henry Kingston

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