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Subject: Submission to CDP Include SPO for Townparks Relief Road and Townparks Amenity Area Ballinasloe

Hi Brendan,

I would be grateful if you would acknowledge and log this submission to the CDP on the Townparks Relief Road and Townparks Amenity Area.

I submit here another strategic aim - that is that Galway County Council will make good on its commitment to Ballinasloe Town within the life of this plan to develop Townparks Relief Road and Townparks Amenity Area linked to the Townspark Relief Road in Ballinasloe as detailed in the attached Capital Accounts letter dated 2020 signed by then CEO Kevin Kelly. This commitment falls on Galway County Council as a whole and provisions were given to GCC to follow through on this commitment as detailed in this and previous correspondence held in the council from 2013/4 and onwards. It is proper order that this commitment is detailed clearly as a strategic aim within the CDP.

6.2 Strategic Aims

Galway County Council shall work with the appropriate agencies and state bodies to ensure that transport infrastructure is provided and will accord with the following strategic aims;

- To support the Galway County Transport & Planning Strategy (GCTPS) and the Galway Transport Strategy (GTS);
- To support the sustainable modes of transport and the transition to a low carbon economy;
- To safeguard the strategic transport function, carrying capacity, including planning for future capacity enhancements of the national road network;
- Promote development on serviced lands in towns and villages, particularly those located along public transport corridors in accordance with the Sustainable Residential Development in Urban Areas Guidelines (2009), having regard to existing settlement patterns;
- To promote the upgrade of the capacity of the Athlone – Athenry – to Galway rail line including the provision of a dual track and increased service stops between Galway and Athlone;
- To promote and support the expansion of County-wide and national Cycling infrastructure;

- To support the development of the Townparks Relief Road and Townparks Amenity Area

6.5.3 I request that the Ballinasloe Townparks Relief Road linking also to Townparks Amenity Area is inserted in this table below also.

Other Roads
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • R336 Bearna-Scrib via Ros an Mhil • Athenry Relief Road; • Tuam Inner Relief Road; • Kinvara Inner Relief Road; • Link from the Parkmore Industrial Estate to the R339; • Ballinasloe Townparks Relief Road linking also to Townparks Amenity Area

Ballinasloe Landfill Remediation Fund

The Members will be aware that part of the credit balance on our capital account is due to the credit balance on the Pollboy Landfill Remediation Fund which is a specific reserve for future liability in respect of that facility.

The Pollboy Landfill Remediation Fund was established from the proceeds of waste deposits at the landfill prior to its closure. Prior to the dissolution of Ballinasloe Town Council the Members of the Town Council considered the landfill fund and the utilisation of part of the monies for other purposes. The assessment concluded the following:

Landfill Fund at 1/1/2013	€20,054,040.12
Projected Expenditure to 2035	€15,313,662.32
Add estimated Interest	€2,604,857.13
Balance	€7,345,234.93