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To: The Mayor and Each Member of the Metropolitan District of Limerick

Re: Report on the Draft City and County of Limerick (Segregation, Storage and Presentation of Household and Commercial Waste) Bye-laws, 2018.

I attach herewith for the consideration of the Members the Draft City and County of Limerick (Segregation, Storage and Presentation of Household and Commercial Waste) Bye-laws, 2018 and the accompanying report.

The purpose of these Draft Bye-Laws is to ensure that waste is properly disposed of, thereby reducing instances of illegal dumping of household waste.

There is a pressing nationwide need to address non-participation in the disposal of household waste in an approved manner. This non-participation, in some cases, leads to illegal dumping of household waste.

The Draft Bye-Laws enable enforcement officers to seek clarification from householders as to how they are disposing of their household waste.

Currently, 65% of households in Limerick City and County participate in a contracted private kerbside waste collection service.

Accordingly, there are 25,000 households in Limerick City and County that have no kerbside waste collection service. These households may comply with their obligations by participating in a bin-sharing arrangement or by disposing of their waste at an authorised facility. These methods of compliance will continue to be permitted under the Draft Bye-Laws. However, the Draft Bye-Laws provide authorised officers with better compliance and enforcement mechanisms to verify compliance.

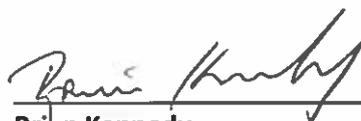
The Draft Bye-Laws also aim to reduce contamination in recycling waste by ensuring that waste fractions are properly segregated. In this way, the Draft Bye-Laws seek to implement Objective C

2.1 of the Southern Region Waste Management Plan 2015-2021. Improvements in the segregation of recyclable waste should assist in reducing the reliance on the exportation of recycling waste.

The statutory bye-law making process requires that the Council undertake a public consultation process prior to the adoption of waste presentation bye-laws. The approval of draft bye-laws for publication is a reserved function of the Metropolitan and Municipal Districts.

Accordingly, I attach for the consideration of the Members, the Draft City and County of Limerick (Segregation, Storage and Presentation of Household and Commercial Waste) Bye-laws, 2018.

I hereby recommend that the Metropolitan District of Limerick, pursuant to Section 199(5) and Schedule 14A Part 1 of the *Local Government Act, 2001* approve the publication of the Draft City and County of Limerick (Segregation, Storage and Presentation of Household and Commercial Waste) Bye-laws, 2018.



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