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Galway County Council  
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Prospect Hill, Galway

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## RE: DRAFT GALWAY COUNTY DEVELOPMENT PLAN 2022-2028 – MATERIAL ALTERATION 4.18

A chara,

I refer to your correspondence received on 28 February 2022, inviting the Northern and Western Regional Assembly to make a submission on the above-mentioned proposed Material Amendment (MA) to the Draft Galway County Development Plan 2022-2028.

It is noted that the proposal is to amend rural housing policy, to give consideration in respect of back land development by immediate family members subject to their being no alternative, the character of the area, residential amenity, and can only be considered once.

The Assembly consider that Galway County Council is best placed to manage rural housing policy in the County and in its previous submission to the proposed Material Alterations the Assembly generally provided support to all the MAs on rural housing. The proposed Material Alteration MA 4.18 is considered to fall into a similar category and the Assembly decided at its meeting on 25<sup>th</sup> March 2022 to support it.

The Assembly wish to thank Galway County Council for the opportunity given to comment upon this proposed Material Amendment and we are available should any clarification on the submission be required.

Mise le meas,

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