

Economic Development, Enterprise & Planning PILLAR: Environment SEATS: One (1)

1. CANDIDATE: Madeleine Lyes NOMINATED BY: Limerick Pedestrian Network

As a founding member and current Chair of the Limerick Pedestrian Network, I have helped to develop a group which works to make Limerick better for, and because of, everyday walking. We aim to advocate for pedestrians across the county, to foster links with other community and active travel groups, and to be a source of information around best practice pedestrian infrastructure and amenities. But the work of the LPN is also tangibly connected to the economic planning of the city and county, as it is focused on making Limerick more accessible, liveable, and attractive.

I would be eager to use my skills and background to help develop the PPN and the work of the Economic Development, Business and Planning Committee. I am currently Community Engagement Officer with Space Engagers, a partner on the +CityxChange project, and have a background in research and public engagement. A recent project, for example, was on the Department of Rural and Community Development's Town Centre Living Initiative, focused on the revival of Irish town centres. My research skills, both academic and public policy, would be of use for the Committee's dealings with planning and policy initiatives. I would use my public engagement experience to make sure that the voices of the members of the PPN linkage groups are heard within the Committee.

Thank you for the opportunity to put my name forward for nomination, and I'd be proud to represent the LPN and other linkage group members on the Economic Development Committee.