



Oifig an Runaí Aire
Office of the Minister of State

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Ms Lorraine Broderick
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RE: Limerick PPN

Dear Ms Broderick,

I wish to refer to your correspondence dated 19th December 2022 in relation to the Limerick PPN.

The Government approved the general scheme of a bill providing for a directly elected mayor for Limerick at its meeting of 20th April 2021. The Government also approved the publication of the general scheme and its referral to both the Oireachtas for pre-legislative scrutiny and to the office of the Attorney General for priority drafting of a bill.

The Joint Oireachtas Committee for Housing, Local Government, and Heritage published its report on pre-legislative scrutiny of the general scheme in November 2021.

The Department is engaging with the Office of the Parliamentary Counsel in relation to the drafting of this complex Bill and its publication has been identified as a priority as soon as practicable. Drafting of this legislation is well advanced and will be progressed having regard to the overall Government legislative programme. Similarly, the timing of an election will be a matter for the Oireachtas.

I trust the above information is of assistance.

Yours sincerely,

Kieran O'Donnell T.D.
Minister for Local Government and Planning

Please note: I am a Designated Public Official under the Regulation of Lobbying Act, 2015