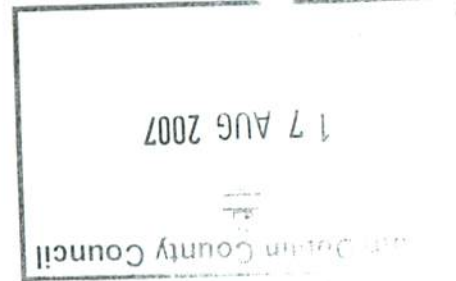




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RE: REP144/BOK/07

Dear Ms. Donnellan,

I have been asked by Mr. Batt O'Keeffe, T.D. Minister for Housing, Urban Renewal and Developing Areas to acknowledge receipt of your recent letter in relation to the current Traveller Accommodation Programmes 2005 – 2008.

You will be aware that as the current programmes commenced on 1st January 2005, each relevant local authority is required under Section 17 (1) of the Housing (Traveller Accommodation) Act 1998, to complete a review of its Traveller accommodation programme once in each three year period, in light of this a review of the current programme should be completed by 31st December 2007.

When conducting its review, each local authority is required, as a minimum, to involve in the review in a meaningful way both its Local Traveller Accommodation Consultative Committee, and all those parties who contributed to its Traveller accommodation programme. This review enables each local authority the opportunity to address issues specific to the provision of Traveller accommodation.

Yours sincerely,

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