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From The Office of the Minister of State

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Ms. Mary Maguire,
Meetings Administrator,
Corporate Services Department,
South Dublin County Council,
County Hall,
Tallaght,
DUBLIN 24.

Dear Ms. Maguire

I have been asked by the Minister of State, Brian Hayes TD, to refer again to your letter of 14 June 2011 regarding a motion passed by the County Council in respect of the Liffey Valley.

The four Local Authorities have the primary responsibility for planning and management in the valley. The main focus of the Office of Public Works (OPW) is in relation to the State properties in its care, such as the Phoenix Park and Castletown Demesne. If a formal body is established on the lines envisaged by South Dublin County Council, consideration would be given by OPW at that stage as to how its interests could be represented.

It is, of course, open to each of the public bodies to pursue particular aspects of the 2006 *Towards a Liffey Valley Park* study and to take other initiatives as their resources permit.

I hope this is of assistance.

Yours sincerely,

P.P. CAOIMHE ALLMAN

PRIVATE SECRETARY