15th December 2011

Deputy Leo Varadkar Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport Office of the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport 44 Kildare Street Dublin 2

REF: 29616

RE: <u>Lucan Area Committee Meeting of South Dublin County Council held on 6th</u>
December 2011

Dear Minister.

At the meeting of the Lucan Area Committee held on the 6^{th} December 2011, the following motion was passed by the Members of the Area Committee:

"That this Area Committee, noting the Government's Capital Review, in particular the decisions to defer the DART underground project and to proceed with the Luas BXD extension to Broombridge, on the Maynooth line; calls on Irish Rail, the National Transport Authority and Minister for Transport to reopen the Phoenix Park rail tunnel so as to allow trains from the Kildare line serving Hazelhatch, Adamstown, Lucan and Clondalkin to continue on to the docklands and/or city centre including integration with the Luas at Broombridge; and further calls for the immediate opening of the Kishogue Rail Station in Lucan."

I would be obliged if you would respond as soon as possible to enable me to revert to the Committee.

Yours sincerely,

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Ms. Edel Colgan Senior Staff Officer South Dublin County Council County Hall Tallaght Dublin 24

Dear Ms. Colgan

I refer to your letter regarding a motion that was passed at the Lucan Area Committee Meeting of South County Council held on the 6th December 2011.

Since December 2009, the development of Public Transport in GDA comes under the remit of the National Transport Authority (NTA) which was established in December 2009 and accordingly, I have forwarded your letter to the Chief Executive of the NTA, Mr Gerry Murphy for direct reply as soon as possible.

Yours sincerely,

Leo Varadkar, TD

Minister for Transport,

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