5<sup>th</sup> March 2012

Mr. Donal Connell Chief Executive An Post General Post Office O'Connell Street Dublin 1

REF: 30636

RE: <u>Lucan Area Committee Meeting of South Dublin County Council held on</u> 28<sup>th</sup> February 2012

Dear Mr. Connell,

At the meeting of the Lucan Area Committee held on the 28<sup>th</sup> February 2012 the following question was adopted and approved by the Members:

"To ask the Manager if there has been any discussions with An Post regarding the provision of a post office/sub-post office to serve those areas of Lucan around Ballyowen Castle/Eurospar Shopping Centre, and if not to request that the Manager write to An Post seeking an up-to-date report on its intentions/plans regarding the provision of such an office?"

I would be obliged for your comments and response as soon as possible to enable me to revert to the Committee.

Yours sincerely,

Edel Colgan Senior Staff Officer



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Dear Ms. Colgan

Thank you for your letter of 5<sup>th</sup> March 2012 regarding the provision of a Post Office in Lucan South.

There are no plans to expand our network of Post Offices in the Lucan area at the moment. However, our Network is constantly under review and if and when it is deemed that a Post Office is warranted and sustainable in the Lucan South area, then plans will be put in place to advertise a contract for the provision of Post Office services.

An Post is currently working with the Department of Social Protection to put in place in Lucan and Dodsboro Post Offices procedures that will alleviate the pressure periods that occur when DSP clients are collecting their payments. In week commencing 13<sup>th</sup> March 2012 a substantial number of Jobseeker payments, normally available on a Friday, will now be available for collection on Tuesdays.

In the meantime, there is a potential opportunity for shops in the Lucan South area, if they wish, to offer customers a range of An Post Services including Billpay, stamps etc. via our subsidiary Company "PostPoint". If there is an interest in availing of this opportunity or in finding out information on same, this can be done by contacting 1890 204220 and the range of services available can also be viewed online at www.postpoint.ie

I trust the above clarifies the position for you. However, if I can be of further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely

Donal Connell Chief Executive