

Mr. Alan Kelly T.D.,
Minister for Environment,
Community & Local Government,
Custom House,
Dublin 1.

Our Ref.: SM1/1214

5th January 2015.

Re: Suspensory Motion Passed at Meeting of South Dublin County Council (SM1/1214)


Dear Minister Kelly,

The following Suspensory motion was Passed at the meeting of South Dublin County Council held on 8th December 2014:-

“That this Council calls on the Minister for the Environment, Community and Local Government, Minister Alan Kelly, to act in accordance with Article 9.4 of the EU Water Framework Directive which provides a specific exemption to Ireland from domestic water charging and which is embedded in Ireland’s 208 river Basin Management Plan. This plan is due for its 7 year renewal on the 1st January 2015 and we are calling on the Minister, as is within his power and responsibility, to retain the exemption when he submits Ireland’s river Basin Management Plan and strategy. Further, we ask that the contents of this motion be forwarded to the Minister as a matter of urgency and that it be copied to all other county and city Councils.”

I should be grateful for your comments at your earliest convenience.

Yours sincerely,


Tom O'Neill,
Meetings Administrator,
Corporate Services Department.

Cc: County Councils