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Corporate Services Department,

26th April, 2016

Minister Alan Kelly, T.D.

Department of the Environment, Community and Local Government
Custom House
Dublin
D01 W6X0

Re: April Monthly Meeting - Navan Municipal District, Meath County Council

Dear Minister Kelly

At the Ordinary Meeting of Navan Municipal District, held on 20th April 2016, it was agreed that a letter be issued to your Department on behalf of Navan Municipal District Councillors regarding sewerage issues affecting householders in Navan, in other parts of Meath and in locations throughout the country.

These issues have arisen due to sewerage seeping into the back gardens of homes but, due to the location of the manhole on private property, Irish Water have refused to deal with the issue. In many cases, the infrastructure is old and serves multiple properties resulting in a situation whereby a fault may be located in one part of the system but the problem manifests itself in another part of the system. As a result, many householders affected are not in a position to deal with the problem, due to the issues with access, the associated cost, etc.

Councillors are requesting that this matter be reviewed as a matter of urgency and that an agreement between Irish Water and the local authority be reached so as to ensure that problems being experienced by householders are addressed.

I would appreciate if you would consider this request and revert with a response at your earliest convenience.

Yours sincerely

Signed:

Claire King

Meetings' Administrator

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