



An Roinn Tithíochta, Pleanála,
Pobail agus Rialtais Áitiúil
Department of Housing, Planning,
Community and Local Government



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Office of the Minister

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Mr. Colm Murphy
Meeting Administrator
South Dublin County Council
County Hall
Tallaght
Dublin 24

RE: Motion passed by the Council in November 2016 Reference (MI6/1116)

Dear Mr Murphy,

I have been asked by Mr Simon Coveney T.D., Minister for Housing, Planning, Community and Local Government to refer to your letter concerning a motion passed by the Council calling for a review of the powers of local authorities.

The Programme for a Partnership Government has committed to the preparation of a report for Government, and for the Oireachtas, by mid-2017 on potential measures to boost local government leadership and accountability.

Work on the report is ongoing in the Department and it will identify in greater detail the specific issues and options which will fall to be addressed and the approach to be followed in relation to consultation. Decisions will be a matter for the Government and the Oireachtas, as appropriate, following consideration of the report.

Yours sincerely,

Niamh Redmond,
Private Secretary



